STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster, California

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Date: May 13, 2008

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Elizabeth Brubaker, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization

Subject: Receive and Appropriate Funds for the approved CDBG Entitlement

Citywide Rental Rehabilitation Program

Recommendation:

Receive estimated revenues in Account No. 361-3380-100 by \$368,000.00 to account for funds approved in Program Year 2005 of the CDBG program and approve the appropriation of the same amount for the Citywide Rental Rehabilitation Program, Activity 25-42, in Account No. 361-4541-770.

Financial Impact:

Funding of the Citywide Rental Rehabilitation Program will come from the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement that was approved and funded for Program Year 2005 and carried forward in 2006 and 2007.

Background:

The Citywide Rental Rehabilitation Program assists property owners of rentals units within targeted neighborhoods with grants to improve their properties. This program was first approved by the City Council on May 10, 2005, and reaffirmed with the adoptions of the 2006 and 2007 Consolidated Annual Action Plans. The request for the appropriation will make the funds available to cover the cost of expenses.

The Citywide Rental Rehabilitation Program implements the overall goal of the housing restoration and preservation program and, therefore, staff recommends that the City Council approve the appropriation of the entitlement funds.