STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster, California

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Date: August 26, 2008

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert W. Greene

Interim Parks, Recreation and Arts Director

Subject: Agreement with Cedar Street Theatre for Use of Performing Arts Center

Recommendation:

Approve the Agreement for use of the Lancaster Performing Arts Center by Cedar Street Theatre for the 2008-2009 season.

Fiscal Impact:

Approximately \$15,000 in gross revenue generated from a percentage of ticket sales, ticketing charges and other miscellaneous fees.

Background:

Cedar Street Theatre was established in 1978 as a nonprofit community repertory theatre company. They have been producing local theatre performances in the City of Lancaster since that time. In addition, the City and Cedar Street Theatre have co-sponsored performances at Lancaster Performing Arts Center in each of its seasons.

This Agreement outlines the terms of a co-sponsor relationship between the City and Cedar Street Theatre from the period October 25, 2008 through June 1, 2009. During that period of time, it is intended that both parties would co-sponsor two (2) season performances in the J. P. Eliopulos Family Theatre and two (2) main stage productions. For all productions in the J. P. Eliopulos Family Theatre, the City will receive fifteen percent (15%) of ticket sales in lieu of a normal rental agreement. For the main stage productions, the City will receive twenty-five percent (25%) of ticket sale revenues in lieu of normal rental charges.

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Attachment:

1. Cedar Street Theatre Agreement for Use of Performing Arts Center