STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster, California

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Date: March 10, 2009

To: Mayor Parris and Council Members

From: Elizabeth Brubaker, Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Director

Subject: Appointment of members to the Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens

Committee to fill current vacancies

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that Mayor Parris nominate volunteer Mark M. Chapa to fill one of the three current vacancies on the Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens Committee and that the City Council ratify this nomination and appointment.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

On March 18, 1996, the City Council appointed thirty-two citizens to the Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens Committee and approved its By-laws and Articles of Incorporation. Thirty-five is the maximum number of members allowed by the By-laws. Since May 1996, the City Council has approved numerous applications of individuals to fill vacancies on the Committee as they have occurred.

The Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens Committee intermittently has resignations throughout the year. This often creates problems in continuity, quorums, meeting schedules, and resolution of issues. There are currently three (3) vacancies on the 35-member committee.

One applicant has submitted an application and volunteered to serve on the Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens Committee. The recommendation is for the City Council to approve Mark M. Chapa to fill one of the current vacancies on the Lancaster Veterans Home Citizens Committee.

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