STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster

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Date: October 13, 2009

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Mark V. Bozigian, City Manager

Subject: Municipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement

Recommendation:

Approve the renewal of the Municipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement between the City of Lancaster and the County of Los Angeles for Law Enforcement Services provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Fiscal Impact:

There will be no direct fiscal impact related to the approval of this agreement. All law enforcement contract costs are approved by the City Council as part of the current FY 2009/2010 budget or future City budgets.

Background:

In May 2004, the City Council entered into the current Municipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for law enforcement services provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The agreement expired June 30, 2009 and was extended through October 2009 to resolve a dispute between contract cities and the County of Los Angeles over the Liability Trust Fund; that dispute has been resolved.

Under the proposed renewal agreement, the County of Los Angeles will provide general law enforcement functions within the city limits of Lancaster through the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The new agreement will be effective from September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014, unless terminated sooner per procedures outlined in the agreement.

The only substantive change between the proposed agreement and the previous agreement is Section 6.3, which outlines a process for the parties to meet and confer to discuss renewal or extension of the agreement nine months prior to expiration. Additionally, the City previously entered into a Special County-City Special Indemnity Agreement to outline future uses of the Liability trust Fund.

Specific provisions of law enforcement activities and deployment are directed by the City through the City budget process, city ordinances, the LASD Service Level Authorization form (Form SH-AD 575) and overall management of law enforcement operations and programs by City staff and LASD Lancaster Station command staff.

Attachment:

Municipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement