



DATE: March 21, 2007

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: City Manager's Office

SUBJECT: **BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR CONSULTANT EXPENSES
RELATED TO THE ASSESSMENT OF THE POTENTIAL RELOCATION
OF THE SAN DIEGO CHARGERS TO THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE**

SYNOPSIS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 from the Reimbursement Booking Fees account to the City Manager's budget for consultant expenses related to the assessment of the potential relocation of the San Diego Chargers to the City of Oceanside.

BACKGROUND

The Chargers organization has identified Oceanside as a potential relocation venue for its franchise and stadium. In order to analyze the feasibility of this potential relocation, the City will be in need of specialized legal and economic assistance. As such, staff is recommending that \$100,000 be made available for future specialized legal and/or economic analyses to assist staff in its review of the potential Chargers relocation and its impact on the community.

ANALYSIS

There is currently \$120,000 available in the booking fee revenue account. Staff is recommending that \$100,000 be set aside for the specific use of the City's negotiating team to purchase expert legal and economic assistance as necessary throughout the City's analysis of the potential Chargers venue and franchise relocation. At this time there are no additional capital expenses needed for the Police Department outside of those funded by the prior booking fee allocation from March 7, 2007. The Police Department has identified the need for additional resources which will be addressed in the budget update.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is currently \$100,000 available in the booking fee revenue account (101.4400.00012). Staff is recommending that \$100,000 from this account be

appropriated to the City Manager's account 101.144153.5377 to cover the cost of legal and economic assistance.

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

Does not apply.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

Does not apply.

RECOMMENDATION

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