TO: JAMES L. APP, CITY MANAGER

FROM: BOB LATA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SCOPE OF TRAFFIC ANALYSIS,

CHANDLER RANCH AREA SPECIFIC PLAN

DATE: **DECEMBER 2, 2003** 

Needs: For the City Council to consider authorizing additional traffic analysis in

conjunction with preparation of the Draft EIR for the Chandler Ranch Area

Specific Plan.

1. The City's current traffic model, which has been utilized for the General Plan update, was prepared based on year 2000 traffic data.

> 2. For the purposes of traffic analysis for the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan, the City's traffic consultants, Omni-Means, have recommended that the City supplement the traffic model with 18 new AM and PM peak hour counts on an average weekday and 2 PM peak hour counts on a Friday at the ramp intersections of US 101 and State Highway 46 East, plus a rerun of the Level of Service calculations.

- 3. The cost for the updated traffic information would be approximately \$15,000. Funding for this work could be transferred from the General Plan budget contingency to the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan budget.
- 4. The additional traffic data will assist in preparing an adequate Draft EIR for the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan.

Analysis and

Conclusion: The City's intent is to have an adequate Draft EIR for the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan.

> Recent comments from Caltrans have encouraged the City to provide the type of additional traffic data suggested by Omni-Means.

> Funding can be provided by transferring money already budgeted for longrange planning through the General Plan update program.

Facts:

Policy

Reference: General Plan, Specific Plan, California Environmental Quality Act

Fiscal

Impact: None; funding would be a transfer between already budgeted programs

Options:

a. That the City Council authorize a transfer of \$15,000 from funds budgeted for the General Plan update program to the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan, and also authorize the City Manager to expand the scope of work for the Chandler Ranch Area Specific Plan to include the additional traffic analysis.

b. Amend, modify or reject the foregoing options.

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