

AGENDA ITEM 14	
	Public Hearing Ordinance Consent Calendar Discussion/Transaction

AGENDA DATE: JUNE 24, 2015

WALNUT CITY COUNCIL

To:

Mayor Tragarz and Council Members

VIA:

Robert Wishner, City Manager

Tom Weiner, Director of Community Development

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Mt. San Antonio College Development Task Force - Appropriation

Request and Status

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council direct Staff as deemed appropriate.

BACKGROUND:

Due to on-going concerns regarding proposed development projects at Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC), the Walnut City Council formed the Mt. SAC Development Task Force to assist the City Council with evaluating and monitoring proposed development projects at Mt. SAC. The Mt. SAC Development Task Force meets on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Tuesday of every month.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

At the last regularly scheduled meeting on June 16, 2015, the Task Force took action to request the City Council to consider the following items:

- 1. An appropriation of \$6,000 from the General Fund Reserves for a City-wide notification mailer to inform Walnut residents of the proposed development at Mt. SAC and status of pending litigation.
- That the City Council, Staff, and Lobbyist continue to monitor and take steps to prevent legislative actions and proposals in Sacramento that would impact Walnut's enforcement of the Zoning Code in regards to proposed projects at Mt. SAC.

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As funds are not available in the adopted 2014-15 Budget for a City-wide mailer, this item is before the City Council for consideration. It is anticipated that the Task Force will generate a draft mailer for the City Council to consider and/or approve for distribution to all residents. It is anticipated that the mailer will cost approximately \$5,000 to \$6,000 to generate and distribute to all city postal addresses. The \$5,000 to \$6,000 figure is based on the cost of past mailings of a similar nature generated by the City.

Staff remains in regular contact with the City's Lobbyist and has confirmed that currently, there is no activity in Sacramento regarding legislation exempting Mt. SAC from local zoning.

FISCAL IMPACT:

At this time, the Task Force is requesting an appropriation of \$6,000 to account number 01-4800-6229 (Community Relations), which provides for information to the residents regarding the City Council's policies and priorities.

This request for appropriation and any other future request will require an appropriation from the General Fund Reserves. In addition, any unforeseen expenditures identified by the Task Force will have to be submitted to the City Council for their consideration and/or approval.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will collaborate by encouraging open discussion and responding to residents with courtesy.