



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2009

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR A NO-COST ENERGY AUDIT

DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S DEPARTMENT/ADMINISTRATION

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is requesting City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing submittal of an application to the California Energy Commission to conduct a detailed Energy Audit for City Hall, Civic Center Fire Station, Communications Building, and the Neighborhood Community Center.

BACKGROUND:

Costs for facility operations continue to increase. Typical energy costs are three to ten percent of annual operating expenses. One way to save money is by reducing energy costs. Through the California Energy Commission's Energy Partnership Program, the City of Costa Mesa is attempting to apply for a no-cost energy audit. The audit will help the City both identify and prioritize needed energy upgrades to City Hall, Civic Center Fire Station, Communications Building, and the Neighborhood Community Center (NCC).

ANALYSIS:

The energy audit will allow the city to prioritize energy efficiency upgrades, reduce annual maintenance costs, increase cost savings, conserves resources and reduces green house gas emissions. It also allows the City to become eligible for future funding provided by the California energy Commission.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

To defer authorization for a later date

FISCAL REVIEW:

There is no expected fiscal impact associated with the audit.

LEGAL REVIEW:

Legal has reviewed the documents and approved them as to form.

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