

### AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY MORENO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT CITY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY MORENO VALLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY

#### August 20, 2013

#### STUDY SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

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Tom Owings, Mayor

\_\_\_\_Mayor Pro Tem Jesse L. Molina, Council Member Richard A. Stewart, Council Member Victoria Baca, Council Member

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#### STUDY SESSION - 6:00 PM AUGUST 20, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL

#### INTRODUCTIONS

### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

There is a three-minute time limit per person. Please complete and submit a BLUE speaker slip to the City Clerk. All remarks and questions shall be addressed to the presiding officer or to the City Council and not to any individual Council Member, staff member or other person.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. FORECLOSURE REGISTRATION PROGRAM (CEDD/15 MIN)
- 2. TRANSITIONING CITY'S SPECIAL DISTRICTS TO STRUCTURE CONSISTENT WITH BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (PowerPoint)(FMS/20 MIN)
- 3. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

(Times shown are only estimates for staff presentation. Items may be deferred by Council if time does not permit full review.)

v Oral Presentation only – No written material provided

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### Report to City Council

TO: Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** John C. Terell, Interim Community & Economic Development Director

AGENDA DATE: August 20, 2013

TITLE: FORECLOSURE REGISTRATION PROGRAM

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff recommends that the City Council provide direction regarding the establishment of a mandatory foreclosure registration program.

#### BACKGROUND

Earlier this year, the City Council discussed code compliance strategies and dealing with vacant foreclosed homes and squatters. One of the strategies identified during those discussions was instituting a foreclosure registration program. A registration program would provide ready access to contacts for vacant foreclosed homes that could be used by the Police Department and Code Compliance Division to address criminal and property maintenance issues. Such a program could be mandatory or voluntary, and could be administered by City staffing or by a contractor.

#### DISCUSSION

Given the current high level of activity in the Code Compliance Division, staff investigated possible contractors to provide this service.

Nationwide Cost Recovery Services (NCRS), based in Diamond Bar, provides contract foreclosure registration services to the cities of Carson, Eastvale, El Monte, South El Monte and West Covina. All of the programs are mandatory, with fees ranging from \$375 to \$575, with up to half of the fees being paid to the contractor and the balance retained by the City to cover program administration costs. The program is mandatory to ensure that the registration program is full cost recovery and registration fees are kept

as low as possible. In addition to identifying and contacting owners of vacant foreclosed properties, the contractor also provides an initial site inspection, with any identified safety or maintenance violations referred to Code Compliance for follow up and abatement.

The principals of NCRS will be present at the Study Session to present the program and address questions from the City Council.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The program would be expected to cover both contract and administration costs.

#### CITY COUNCIL GOALS

<u>Community Image, Neighborhood Pride and Cleanliness:</u> Promote a sense of community pride and foster an excellent image about our City by developing and executing programs, which will result in quality development, enhanced neighborhood preservation efforts, including home rehabilitation and neighborhood restoration.

#### ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

N/A.

Prepared By: John C. Terell AICP Interim Community & Economic Development Director

Council Action		
Approved as requested:	Referred to:	
Approved as amended:	For:	
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Other:	Hearing set for:	



# Best Management Practices for Moreno Valley's Special Districts

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### Background

 1984 City Incorporated / Community Service District
County Service Areas assumed – Zones 🖙 Zone A & Zone B ○ Development = Zones A , B, C, D, E, M & S CS Zone A & Zone C (special tax) Community Service District Law Originally passed 1951; Re-enacted 1955 SB 135, 2005 – adopted new CSD law Can levy benefit assessments with property-owner approval (§61122 & §61129)

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# **Best Management Practices**

Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Districts
 CFDs (Maintenance, Capital Improvements, Services)
 P/BIDs (Property/Business Improvement Districts
 Other legally permissible funding mechanisms

Structure Depends on City's Goals
 Landscaping & Lighting Only, NPDES, etc
 Revenue Source for New Services – New Development
 Other programs – promotion or services for business districts

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# **Benefits of Transitioning**

🗠 Gain Efficiencies

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- May be able to combine some of the 115 different Zones/Service Areas
- More equitably distributes costs for similar service levels
- - Requires an Assessment Engineer's Report with detailed information about each zone & 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Review
  - CS Easily identifiable budget for each
- Reprovides Flexibility for Financing Future Services
- Consistency with Neighboring Communities



## Next Steps

- Transition Existing Zones to Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Districts (L/LMDs)
  - MO increase in charge to property owners
  - **Massessment Engineer's Report**
  - 3 Public Hearing
    - 🗠 Majority Protest

Establish CFDs (Maintenance, Capital Improvements, Services) for undeveloped areas

Evaluate Alternative Structures Based on needs/desires of property owners (e.g. P/BIDs)

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