



# CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: JANUARY 2, 2013 CONSENT CALENDAR  
SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE SERVICE FEE COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY UNTIL MAY 2024  
FROM: David H. Ready, City Manager  
BY: Department of Building and Safety

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## SUMMARY

The City is proposing to extend the service fee collected on behalf of The Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Authority. As the current program is set to expire in May 2014, the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority is asking each City to adopt their resolution prior to their next AVA meeting to be held on February 20, 2013, to insure they have acquired their extension prior to the expiration date.

## RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SERVICE FEE COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY UNTIL MAY 2024".

## STAFF ANALYSIS:

In 1990 the California State Legislature enacted legislation allowing for the creation of county-based vehicle service authorities, pursuant of the provisions of California Vehicle Code § 22710. In June 1994 the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority was formed and imposed a one-dollar annual vehicle registration fee on vehicles registered to an owner with an address in the County of Riverside. In May 2004 the Authority was extended for another ten years. The service fees received by the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority are used to reimburse local governmental agencies for a portion of their costs incurred as a result of the abatement, removal and disposal as public nuisances of any abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles or parts thereof.

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The current program is set to expire in May 2014. New legislation has amended California Vehicle Code § 9250.7 and allows the local service authorities to extend the program every 10 years with the approval of the county and a majority of the cities comprising a majority of the population of the incorporated areas.


The members of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority are planning to submit for another extension and are asking each City to adopt their resolution prior to the next AVA meeting to be held on February 20, 2013.


The City of Palm Springs has been involved with this program since 1998.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

In the past 5 years the Code Compliance Department has collected approximately \$7000.00 in AVA disbursement funds for the City.

  
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Terry Tatum, Director of Building & Safety

  
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James Thompson, Chief of Staff

  
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David H. Ready, City Manager

Attachments:

Proposed Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SERVICE FEE COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY UNTIL MAY 2024

WHEREAS, the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority was formed on or about June 1, 1994, pursuant to the provisions of California Vehicle Code §§ 9250.7 and 22710 enacted by the Legislature in 1990 which authorized the establishment of a service authority and imposition of a service fee on all registered motor vehicles located within a county; and

WHEREAS, beginning in June 1994 and continuing to the present, the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority has been the recipient of service fees collected on its behalf by the California Department of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the service fees received by the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority are used to reimburse local governmental agencies for a portion of their costs incurred as a result of the abatement, removal and disposal as public nuisances of any abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles or parts thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority apportions and distributes service fee proceeds to each member agency according to the formula set forth in California Vehicle Code § 22710; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program in June 1994 it has disbursed \$22,952,216 in service fee proceeds to member agencies and caused the abatement of approximately 146,561 abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles located in various cities and the unincorporated area of Riverside County; and

WHEREAS, the service fee collected as part of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program is set to expire in May 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recently amended California Vehicle Code § 9250.7 to allow for an extension of the service fee collected as part of the Abandoned Vehicle

Abatement program in increments of up to 10 years each if the board of supervisors of the county, by a two-thirds vote, and a majority of the cities comprising a majority of the population of the incorporated areas within the county adopt resolutions providing for the extension of the service fee; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to the City of Palm Springs to have the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program continue beyond its current termination date of May 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Palm Springs, California, that it approves the extension of the service fee collected on behalf of the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority until May 31, 2024.

ADOPTED THIS xxTH DAY OF MONTH, YEAR.

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David H. Ready, City Manager

ATTEST:

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James Thompson, Chief of Staff / City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ) ss.  
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS )

I, JAMES THOMPSON, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ is a full, true and correct copy, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs on \_\_\_\_\_, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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James Thompson, City Clerk  
City of Palm Springs, California