City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Matthew J. Fertal

From:

Keith G. Jones

Dept:

City Manager

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Public Works

Subject:

EXTENSION OF WATER SERVICE ON LEDA

Date:

August 12, 2008

LANE

OBJECTIVE

To obtain approval for the extension of water service on Leda Lane.

BACKGROUND

Leda Lane is a private residential street on the south side of Lampson Avenue west of Harbor Boulevard and is comprised of ten individual property owners. In 1997, a private mutual water company known as Leda Lane Mutual Water Company was formed. Until recently, this mutual water company operated a private well and private water system serving the residential properties on Leda Lane. On November 16, 2007, the private well failed. In order to protect the welfare of the affected residents, the City immediately provided a temporary water connection for the residents.

DISCUSSION

The property owners have requested that the City provide a permanent extension for City water service on Leda Lane. Pursuant to Garden Grove Municipal Code Section 14.24.020, this extension of water service requires City Council approval. All water service ratepayers must pay their fair share of water system costs. The Leda Lane property owners are willing to pay their fair share of costs for the extension of the water system. In order to minimize the financial impact to the residents, the extension costs will be spread over a two-year period. The extension costs are approximately \$3,600 per property.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the Water or General Funds.

COMMUNITY VISION IMPLEMENTATION

This project is consistent with the community vision for maintaining and upgrading the water system to ensure maximum protection of public health and the environment.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Approve the extension of water service to the Leda Lane properties;
- Authorize the City Manager to enter into the agreements with the Leda Lane property owners and the Leda Lane Mutual Water Company Association for the permanent extension of water service to the affected properties.

KEITH G. JONES

Public Works Director

By: David E. Entsminger

Water Services Manager

Recommended for Approval

Matthew Fertal City Manager