### TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STAFF REPORT

# Agenda Item C-1. <u>Traffic Commission Start Time</u> May 5, 2009

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To consider a request by staff to change the start time of Traffic Commission meetings from 6:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the March 3, 2009 Traffic Commission meeting, staff proposed moving the Traffic Commission meeting starting time from 6:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This proposal was in response to the City Manager's request to identify ways to reduce costs. The Traffic Commission unanimously voted to move the item to the May 5, 2009 meeting at which time the new commission would be established and the new members would be able to vote on the item.

#### DISCUSSION

Attached is a revenue/expenditure chart delineating the City's current economic situation. By moving forward the start time, the City would pay less in overtime to the various staff members (Engineering and the Police Department) who are required to attend the meetings. Currently, staff is paid overtime for the hour between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Also, implementing this new schedule would be consistent with neighboring cities. Both the City of Orange and the City of Westminster have their Traffic Commission meeting begin at 5:30 p.m. The City of Santa Ana and the County of Orange have their meetings during the middle of the workday.

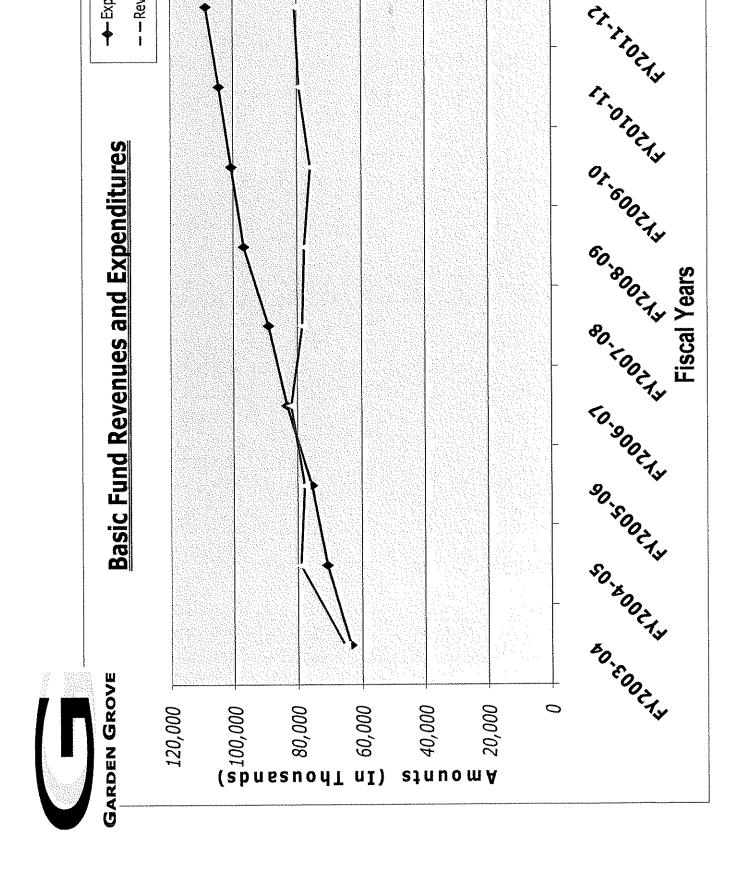
## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Traffic Commission receive public input and approve staff's recommendation to change the start time of Traffic Commission meetings from 6:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. maintaining the current schedule date of the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of everyother months

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Executive Secretary

Attachment: Revenue/Expenditure Chart



-- Expenditures

- - Revenues