## City of Garden Grove

#### INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Matthew Fertal

From: Dave Bertka

Dept:

City Manager

Dept: Fire

Subject: APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF

Date: February 23, 2010

**DIRECTORS OF ORANGE COUNTY -**CITY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE AUTHORITY** 

### **OBJECTIVE**

To request City Council authorize the appointment of Captain Jeff Guyer, Hazardous Materials Coordinator, as an alternate voting member to the Board of Directors for the Orange County - City Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Authority (OCCHMERA).

## **BACKGROUND**

The City of Garden Grove subscribes to OCCHMERA to provide emergency response for hazardous materials spills, illegal disposals, and other emergencies involving hazardous materials and waste. The OCCHMERA Joint Powers of Authority consists of two categories of voting members:

- 1. Provider Agencies (those with hazardous materials response teams): Hold four permanent voting seats by Anaheim, Huntington Beach, Orange County Fire Authority, and Santa Ana Fire Departments.
- 2. Subscriber Agencies (those who pay an annual fee for hazardous materials response services): Hold one voting seat between Brea, Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Orange, and Newport Beach Fire Departments. Garden Grove maintains that voting seat.

#### DISCUSSION

At the January 20, 2010, OCCHMERA Board Meeting, the City of Garden Grove was selected to have an alternate voting member in case of absence of voting member, Division Chief Bublitz.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACTS

There is no financial impact to the General Fund.

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that City Council:

• Authorize the appointment of Jeff Guyer, Hazardous Materials Coordinator, as an alternate voting member to the OCCHMERA Board of Directors.

DAVE BERTKA Fire Chief

BY: JEFF GUYER Fire Captain

Recommended for Approval

Matthew Fertal City Manager