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City Council
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Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR JOINT MEETING
WITH THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL AND THE WEST
SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL.**

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-Wide

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council set August 17, 1999 as a date for a joint meeting to be held in Sacramento with the follow-up meeting to be scheduled in West Sacramento no later than November 1999 and approve the agenda items set forth in this report.

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: July 27, 1999

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of a date and agenda items for a joint meeting with the Sacramento City Council and the West Sacramento City Council.

BACKGROUND:

As neighboring cities Sacramento and West Sacramento have many common interests, goals and dreams. It has long been recognized that citizens from both cities and the region would benefit from cooperation and joint planning. Sacramento and West Sacramento City Councils have worked together and communicated through "2x2" meetings with 2 elected councilmembers from each jurisdiction meeting on an as needed basis. The Sacramento City and West Sacramento City Councils have also worked together and formulated a Sacramento Riverfront Master Plan. Additionally, both jurisdictions support and are members of the board of directors of WAVES (Waterfront Area Visitor and Entertainment Services, Inc.), a nonprofit organization focused on the joint Sacramento Riverfront usage. While cooperation has taken place in some areas, the councils have never met jointly to publicly affirm their commitment to work together with special focus around the development and usage of our joint riverfront. The proposed date for this historic meeting of both city councils is proposed for Tuesday evening, August 17, 1999, followed by a second meeting in West Sacramento to be scheduled no later than November 1999.

Staff from both cities suggests the following potential agenda items:

- ◆ Presentation by staff of both cities on downtown planning efforts jointly affecting the economic health of each city and the relationship of downtown developments affecting joint interests on the riverfront.
- ◆ Consideration of various actions to further joint waterfront planning and development including:
 1. Consideration of the signing of the Sacramento River Interagency Cooperative Agreement.
 2. Discussion of opportunities for the creation of a Joint Powers Agreement for Riverfront Development and Financing for riverfront development.
 3. Discussion of opportunities for Sacramento and West Sacramento citizen participation in waterfront planning activities.
 4. Discussion of possible joint riverfront marketing activities
- ◆ Consideration of actions necessary to paint and light the I Street Bridge.
- ◆ Informational report from staff from both cities concerning the status of the decommissioning of State Route 275 in each jurisdiction.
- ◆ Informational report from staff from both cities concerning the Tower Bridge Pedestrian Widening Project.
- ◆ Update on status of Riverfront hotel development in Sacramento and the AAA baseball stadium in West Sacramento and their affect on joint riverfront development in both jurisdictions.
- ◆ Setting a follow-up meeting in the City of West Sacramento no later than November 1999 to address joint issues impacting both cities.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

There would be no fiscal impact incurred with action.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

There are no environmental considerations to be applied to this report.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Future joint cooperation and commitment on the development of the Sacramento River waterfront is a critical component for the future of a vibrant and healthy downtown in both cities. The Sacramento Riverfront is one of our region's greatest assets for economic development, tourism, and recreation of both residents and visitors to both jurisdictions and the entire region

ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable to this report.

Respectfully submitted,



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