

#### AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of 12/18/12 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of 1/8/13

**DATE:** December 7, 2012

**TO**: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

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# Ordinance creating a Street User Fee.

#### **CAPTION:**

Ordinance establishing a street user fee to be implemented by policies, rates, and methodologies established by separate ordinance.

#### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this item is to establish a Street User Fee consistent with policy and law. A second ordinance setting the Street user Fee rate will be presented to Council at a later date.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

On July 7, 2012 City staff presented their recommendation regarding a Street Improvement Plan and funding. Part of this recommendation included the implementation of a Street User Fee which would fund maintenance (seals and overlays) of streets in Fair or Good condition. On August 28, 2012, staff presented a Resolution seeking a confirmation of City Council's intent to move forward with the implementation of a Street User Fee and direction regarding specific aspects of the Street User Fee policies. During the presentation, Council Members requested slight modifications to elements regarding the Street User Fee as well as the addition of other items not directly related to the Street User Fee, but associated with the Street Plan. The revised Resolution was approved on September 18, 2012. Additional policy and rate design elements will be brought before Council on January 8, 2013 in order to further refine both the application and design of the proposed Street User Fee. The attached Ordinance establishes a Street User Fee.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Council may choose not to move forward with the Street User Fee at this time.

#### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

An Ordinance establishing a Street User Fee must be passed prior to the Ordinance which sets the rate for the Fee. Doing so significantly before the rate is set clearly denotes City Council's commitment to the implementation of such a Fee. This will allow staff to move forward more concretely on the development of the rate itself as well as the other aspects of implementation of a Street User Fee.

# **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

The Ordinance follows all appropriate policy.

# **EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-emergency.

# **DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Not applicable.

# **FINANCIAL IMPACT**:

□ Operating	□ Revenue	□ Capital	X Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2012- 2013	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
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BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments: None

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# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends passage of the Ordinance in all of its parts.

### **LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

None.