



**WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**  
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**AGENDA NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**JANUARY 7, 2009–Communications**  
Kwan (Chair), Gray  
**JANUARY 26, 2009 – Board Meeting**  
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## CONSENT CALENDAR

### COMMUNITY PARTNERING PROGRAM LETTER OF SUPPORT CITY OF HAWTHORNE

#### SUMMARY:

The City of Hawthorne has applied to Metropolitan Water District's (MWD) Community Partnering Program. This grant program provides funding for water-related, educational outreach on regional water resources issues. As part of MWD's Community Partnering Program, a letter of support for grant applications that are within West Basin's service area is such as the Cities of El Segundo, Malibu and Hawthorne required. In the past few years, the Board has authorized letters of support for several entities.

The City of Hawthorne is requesting \$2,000 in funding from MWD to help fund their 4<sup>th</sup> annual Earth Day Festival on April 25, 2009 at Memorial Park from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The City of Hawthorne and the Hawthorne Rotary Club will team up to present a day of free fun and education in celebration of the environment, with over 1,500 people anticipated to attend.

The event welcomes a variety of businesses, non-profit organizations and community groups to a fun-filled day in the park. The event will provide food and entertainment and feature ways to help the environment.

The \$2,000 requested by MWD would be used for outreach and development of water conservation-related materials.

West Basin supported this event in 2007 and 2008.

#### STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

Goal 5, Customer/Community Services – Provide for the needs of our customer agencies and the communities we serve in a way that reflects their needs.

#### COMMITMENT STATEMENT:

Customer Service – West Basin is committed to providing value by understanding and meeting the needs of our customers and the communities we serve.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Communications Committee on January 7, 2009 and agendized to the January 26, 2009 Board meeting Consent Calendar.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board authorizes the President to sign a letter of support for the City of Hawthorne's MWD Community Partnering Program grant application.

LIST OF EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" – Draft Letter of Support

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