

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:	Matthew Fertal	From:	Kingsley Okereke
Dept:	City Manager	Dept:	Finance
Subject:	PARAMEDIC TAX OVERRIDE RATE	Date:	June 9, 2009

OBJECTIVE

To adopt the Paramedic tax override rate for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

BACKGROUND

Beginning in 1978, the City Council was no longer required to set a city basic property tax rate. The State Revenue and Taxation code provides for a single state-wide tax rate of one percent of assessed valuation. The Revenue and Taxation code also provides for local agencies to levy an additional ad valorem tax rate to property to fund general obligation bonds and other voter approved indebtedness such as tax overrides. The Paramedic's property tax override as "other indebtedness" has been set by the City Council and levied by the County Auditor/Controller's office since Fiscal Year 1978-79.

DISCUSSION

In order to maintain and pay for the Paramedic emergency medical care services, it is necessary to continue to generate revenue through the use of an ad valorem tax override on the taxable property within the City of Garden Grove.

COMMUNITY VISION IMPLEMENTATION

This funding source is consistent with the community vision of adequately funding fire services for a safe community.

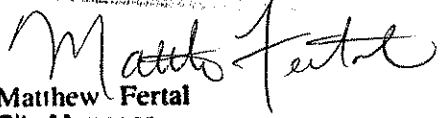
RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached ordinance authorizing a property tax override of 2.5¢/\$100 of full value specifically for the 2009-10 fiscal year paramedic program.



KINGSLEY OKEREKE
Finance Director

Recommended for Approval



Matthew Fertal
City Manager

Attachment: Ordinance