



## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

**To:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**From:** Jason Simpson, City Manager

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**Date:** August 22, 2023

**Subject:** Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Service Fee Collected on Behalf of the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority Until May 2034

### **Recommendation**

Adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SERVICE FEE COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT SERVICE AUTHORITY UNTIL MAY 2034.

### **Background**

In 1990, the California State Legislature enacted legislation allowing for the creation of county-based vehicle service authorities pursuant to the provisions of Section 22710 of the California Vehicle Code. In June 1994, the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority was formed and imposed a one-dollar annual vehicle registration fee on vehicles registered to an owner with an address in the County of Riverside.

The service fees received by the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority are used to reimburse local government agencies for a portion of their cost incurred as a result of the abatement, removal, and disposal of public nuisances of any abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicle or parts.

### **Discussion**

Over the last ten years of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program, it has disbursed \$35,000,000 in service fee proceeds to member agencies and caused the abatement of approximately 189,776 abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles located in various cities and the unincorporated area of Riverside County.

The City of Lake Elsinore has actively participated in the abandoned vehicle abatement service authority. During that time, the City has abated inoperative, abandoned, wrecked, or dismantled vehicles. Over the last decade, it has been reimbursed more than \$307,255 for costs associated with the abatement of inoperative vehicles.

### **Fiscal Impact**

Suppose the City of Lake Elsinore does not participate in the Riverside County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program. In that case, the City will lose this revenue source in the conservative average of \$17,000 annually.

### **Attachments**

Attachment 1- California Vehicle Code Section 22710

Attachment 2 - Resolution