



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 14, 2015

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY WARDS: ALL

**SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS ASSOCIATED
WITH THE RECEIVERSHIP AND SALE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED
AT 11206 RAMWAY ROAD – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

ISSUE:

The issue presented for consideration by the City Council is whether to accept reimbursement of the attorney's fees and costs associated with the court-ordered receivership and sale of the residential real property located at 11206 Ramway Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve the acceptance of \$9,750.00 as reimbursement for attorney's fees and costs incurred by the City Attorney's Office with respect to the receivership, rehabilitation and sale of the residential real property at 11206 Ramway Road; and
2. Increase revenues and appropriate expenditures in the amount \$9,750.00 to the Neighborhood Livability Program Account No. 1300000-450209.

BACKGROUND:

In response to numerous neighborhood complaints, the City of Riverside filed a petition for the appointment of a receiver pursuant to California Health & Safety Code section 17980.5 with the Riverside County Superior Court with respect to the residence at 11206 Ramway Road (Ward 6). The property was vacant and abandoned and contained violations so extensive and of such a nature that the health and safety of the general public was substantially endangered. The Court granted the City's petition wherein a receiver was appointed and the receiver commenced remediation of the violations and rehabilitation of the property.

The property has been fully rehabilitated and sold to a new owner. Escrow has closed and all proceeds from the sale have been distributed, including \$9,750.00 as reimbursement for the fees and costs incurred by the City Attorney's Office related to the prosecution of this matter.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The requested action will allow the City Attorney's Office to continue to implement the City Council's goals of improving and rehabilitating substandard and unsafe properties and improving public safety and neighborhood livability throughout the City of Riverside.

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