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MEMORANDUM **Municipal Utilities Department– Memo ER12-003**

DATE: AUGUST 18, 2011
TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
THRU: RICH DLUGAS, CITY MANAGER *RD*
 DAVE SIEGEL, MUNICIPAL UTILITIES DIRECTOR *DS*
FROM: DOUG TOY, SENIOR ENGINEER *Doug Toy*
SUBJECT: Payment of Membership Dues to Arizona Municipal Water Users Association in the Amount of \$77,004.00

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends Council approve payment of membership dues to the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association in the amount of \$77,004.00.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: Arizona Municipal Water Users Association (AMWUA) is a voluntary non-profit corporation established in 1969 to develop and advocate regional water resource management policies in the interest of its members, their citizens and ratepayers. AMWUA's current members include the cities of Avondale, Chandler, Glendale, Goodyear, Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix, Tempe, Scottsdale, and the Town of Gilbert.

AMWUA provides a forum for its member cities to meet and discuss water resource planning, legislation, conservation, and management issues. This allows member cities to work together on regional projects such as drought response, groundwater management, groundwater recharge, augmentation, conservation, legislation, and environmental issues affecting the members' water supply.

Each city's membership dues are a prorated share (based on population) of AMWUA's water operating budget. AMWUA's fiscal year 2010-11 water operating budget decreased 0.15% from fiscal year 2010-11. Chandler's membership dues for fiscal year 2010-11 were \$77,121. Chandler's membership dues for fiscal year 2011-12 are \$77,004.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Cost: \$77,004
Savings: N/A
Long Term Costs: N/A

Fund Source:

<u>Account No.:</u>	<u>Fund Name:</u>	<u>Program Name:</u>	<u>CIP Funded:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
605.3840.0000.5224	Water Operating	AMWUA Dues	N/A	\$77,004

PROPOSED MOTION: Move Council approve payment of membership dues to Arizona Municipal Water Users Association in the amount of \$77,004 as recommended by staff.