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City Manager - Council Memo No. MC06-074

DATE: August 2, 2007
TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
THRU: W. MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER *WMP*
FROM: MARIAN NORRIS, ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER *MN*
SUBJECT: MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT ANNUAL DUES

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the fiscal year 2007-08 annual dues to Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) in the amount of \$43,730.00.

BACKGROUND: The City of Chandler is a member of the Maricopa Association of Governments. Each year the city is assessed annual dues and assessments that are based on a regional formula. For fiscal year 2007-08, the City's dues are \$43,730.00.

DISCUSSION: The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) is a Council of Governments that serves as the regional agency for the metropolitan Phoenix area. MAG provides a regional forum for analysis, discussion and resolution of issues including areas of transportation, air quality, environment, regional development and social services.

Federal actions require that state plans and regional plans in large urban areas be prepared. For the Maricopa County area, MAG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) as well as the Water Quality Planning Agency, Lead Air Quality Planning Agency, and Solid Waste Planning Agency.

The local governments in MAG pay an annual assessment so that MAG can provide the necessary regional planning. These assessments may vary from year to year depending on the costs associated with updates and maintenance of data.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Funds for these dues will be from Subscriptions and Memberships, Non-Departmental, Account No. 101-1290-0000-5223.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move to approve payment of FY 2007-08 membership dues to Maricopa Association of Governments in the amount of \$ 43,730.00.