



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE ISSUED: September 20, 2006 REPORT NO: 06-135

ATTENTION: Council President Peters and City Councilmembers
Docket of September 26, 2006

SUBJECT: MOU between the City and the County regarding the continued presence of the Chargers in San Diego

REFERENCE: Memorandum of understanding between the City of San Diego and County of San Diego

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt the proposed MOU between the City and County to cooperatively work together and to consider establishment of a collaborative intergovernmental structure or agreement to address all reasonable, fiscally responsible alternatives to assure the continued presence of the Chargers in San Diego.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Accept and adopt the proposed MOU

SUMMARY

The Mayor recommends the adoption of a Memorandum of Understanding, or MOU, between the City and the County to cooperatively work together and to consider establishment of a collaborative intergovernmental structure or agreement to address all reasonable, fiscally responsible alternatives to assure the continued presence of the Chargers in San Diego County.

As part of the MOU, the City and the County will agree to work together on a number of different activities, all aimed at keeping the San Diego Chargers as a regional asset. Primary among these activities will be investigating the feasibility of establishing a structure such as a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) between the City, County, and potentially, other entities or cities in the County, for the development and construction of a new stadium in San Diego County. Any such subsequent agreement or structure would need to be acceptable to and protective of the taxpayers.

The Mayor believes that a regional effort, formalized through this MOU, will be most effective in identifying the ways in which the region can achieve the objective of retaining the Chargers. However, it is not a foregone conclusion that the City and County will form such an entity. This MOU does nothing more than create forum in which the parties can productively discuss opportunities that would achieve our common goals. Entering into this MOU does not commit to

any expenditure of taxpayer funds. Any subsequent structure or transaction that may result will be placed before the voters for their ultimate decision.

This is not new ground for the City and County. Both were part of the original JPA that financed and constructed what is now Qualcomm Stadium.

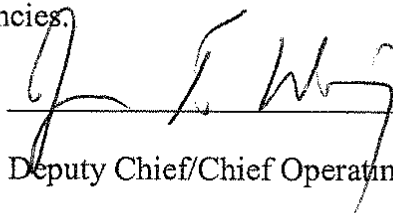
FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS: n/a

PREVIOUS COUNCIL and/or COMMITTEE ACTION: n/a

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS: n/a

KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND PROJECTED IMPACTS: San Diego City and County residents, Chargers, other local governments or agencies.

Originating Department



Deputy Chief/Chief Operating Officer