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Reviewed By: City Manager *[Signature]*

City Attorney *[Signature]*

Finance *[Signature]*

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**DATE:** April 23, 2009

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** W.J. Milligan, Fire Chief  
Fire Department

*WJ Milligan*

**SUBJECT:** Donation of Surplus Fire Apparatus to Oxnard College Fire Academy and to Oxnard's Sister City, Ocotlan, Mexico

**RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council approve the donation of one 1984 Mack fire engine (equipment #1982) to Oxnard Fire Academy and one 1983 Mack fire engine (equipment #1922) to Oxnard's Sister City, Ocotlan, Mexico.

**DISCUSSION**

The Oxnard Fire Department recently received two new fire engines to replace older fire apparatus. These new fire engines have been placed in service. Consequently two older fire engines have been taken out of service. These out of service engines could be sold or donated but the resale value is minimal.

The Oxnard College Regional Fire Academy was established in 1995 with the support of all the fire agencies in Ventura County. Over the past 13 years with our ongoing support, it has developed to where it is recognized as one of the leading fire academies in the state. Many of our fire department members are graduates of this academy. To maintain the high level of training the academy is in a constant need of useable fire apparatus. Staff wants to continue the City's ongoing support to the academy and believe that this donation is beneficial to both the City of Oxnard and the Regional Fire Academy.

The City has had a relationship with Oxnard's Sister City, Ocotlan, Mexico, since 1964. During the relationship, the Sister City groups have created long-term friendships, traded cultural ideas, provided municipal working ideas, and exchanged cultural gifts to each other. Ocotlan Sister City and Oxnard Sister City groups have exchanged youth groups to allow the youth to experience the culture of each country.

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In the past, Oxnard has donated three fire trucks to Sister City Ocotlan, Mexico. The donated fire trucks are still in use today in Ocotlan and still proudly wear the City of Oxnard emblems. To strengthen the Sister City relationship and continue the productivity of a fire truck, staff feels this donation will benefit both communities.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

No financial impact.