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Prepared By: Martin R. Erickson Agenda Item No. N-1  
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**DATE:** June 3, 2009

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Martin R. Erickson, Legislative Affairs Manager  
City Manager's Office

**SUBJECT:** U.S. Postal Service's intent to conduct an Area Mail Processing (AMP) study of mail processing that may affect the Oxnard Processing and Distribution Facility

**RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council:

1. Consider a report on the potential impact of the U.S. Postal Service's intent to conduct an AMP study that may close the Oxnard Processing and Distribution Facility.
2. Execute a letter from the City Council to the City's Congressional delegation expressing concerns over the effect this proposal may have on mail delivery and job losses in the City of Oxnard.

**DISCUSSION**

On April 29, 2009 the U.S. Postal Service notified that City of Oxnard of its intent conduct an AMP study of mail processing at the Oxnard Processing and Distribution Facility for possible consolidation of some operations into the Santa Clarita Processing and Distribution Center.

The U.S. Postal Service is a networked delivery system with processing facilities located throughout the country. The Oxnard Processing facility currently processes all incoming mail from the zip code area 930\_\_\_. This operation is conducted between the hours of 2:30 p.m. and 12:00 a.m and is called Area Mail Processing or AMP. All mail is then trucked out to various destinations. Mail coming into the 930\_\_\_ area from all over the world is processed between the hours of 11:00 p.m and 7:30 a.m.

The Postal Service maintains it is conducting this study due to a continual decline in single-piece First-Class Mail volumes over the past decade, which has been exacerbated by the current economic decline. An AMP study involves a review of mail processing and transportation operations of a postal facility. While it is important for operations of any governmental organization to adapt to changing economic conditions, closing the Oxnard AMP could potentially negatively impact the delivery of mail, create

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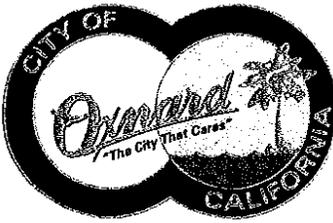
further job losses in the area, and cause increased truck traffic and air quality degradation. If the mail processing operation in Oxnard is eliminated, a letter mailed in Oxnard would need to be taken to the Oxnard Main Post Office at 1961 North C Street and from there by truck to Goleta, Santa Clarita, or Los Angeles for processing.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no direct financial impact on the City of Oxnard as this is a proposed action.

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Attachment #1 – Letter expressing concerns over potential impacts of closing U.S. Postal Service's Oxnard Processing Facility.



## CITY COUNCIL OFFICE

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June 9, 2009

The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein  
 United States Senate  
 311 Hart Senate Office Building  
 Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

We are writing to express our concerns over the U.S. Postal Service's consideration to possibly close the Oxnard Processing and Distribution Facility and the effect this would have on our community, particularly the negative impact on mail delivery, loss of local jobs, and increased traffic and air pollution. The City of Oxnard represents nearly 200,000 residents, nearly one-quarter of Ventura County's population.

On April 29, 2009 the U.S. Postal Service notified the City of Oxnard of its intent to conduct an Area Mail Processing (AMP) study of mail processing at the Oxnard Processing and Distribution Facility for possible consolidation of some operations into the Santa Clarita Processing and Distribution Center. The Oxnard Processing facility currently processes all incoming mail from the zip code area 930. All mail is then trucked out to various destinations. Mail coming into the 930 area from all over the world is currently processed in Oxnard.

The Postal Service maintains it is conducting this study due to a continual decline in single-piece First-Class Mail volumes over the past decade, which has been exacerbated by the current economic decline. While it is important for operations of any governmental organization to adapt to changing economic conditions, closing the Oxnard AMP could potentially negatively impact the delivery of mail, create further job losses in the area, and cause increased truck traffic and air quality degradation. The elimination of the mail processing operation in Oxnard would require a letter mailed in Oxnard to be taken to Oxnard Main Post Office at 1961 North C Street and from there by truck to Goleta, Santa Clarita or Los Angeles for processing.

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For these reasons we ask that you work to ensure that your constituents in Oxnard are not negatively affected by this proposal. If you have any further questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Martin R. Erickson, Legislative Affairs Manager at 805.385.7870.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Thomas E. Holden  
Mayor

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Andres Herrera  
Mayor Pro Tem

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Councilmember

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Councilwoman

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Councilman

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