REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: October 17, 2017

TITLE: Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending

Section 2.20.125 ("Disclosure of Campaign Contributions")

of the Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code

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RECOMMENDATION

Approve Second Reading, read by title only and adopt: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Desert Hot Springs, California, Amending Section 2.20.125 ("Disclosure of Campaign Contributions") of Chapter 2.20 ("Code of Ethics for City Officials") of Title 2 ("Administration and Personnel") of the Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code" ("DHSMC").

BACKGROUND:

The Ordinance (Exhibit 2) was introduced and approved for first reading by the City Council on October 3, 2017 with the following amendments:

- 1) Strike "prior 24 months" and replace with "term of office;"
- 2) Cumulative total of \$500 directly, or \$1,000 indirectly via a contribution to a political action committee (or similar organization formed for the purpose of raising and spending money to elect or defeat political candidates); and
- 3) That the provision does not apply when the official or employee claims in writing to the City that such contribution was done in a manner as an attempt to manipulate the vote of a non-supportive donor.

The Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its second reading.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

EXHIBIT(S):

- 1) October 3, 2017 Staff Report
- 2) Ordinance Campaign Disclosure