Council Meeting of
August 7, 2007

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: City Manager – Authorize subsidy of rental fees for the Toyota Meeting Hall for a presentation of "The Climate Project" hosted by Assemblymember Ted Lieu. Expenditure: $535.50

RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends that City Council authorize the subsidy of $535.50 for rental fees for the Toyota Meeting Hall at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center for a presentation of "The Climate Project" hosted by Assemblymember Ted Lieu.

Funding

Funding is available in the City Council Operating Budget.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Assemblymember Ted Lieu recognizes the damaging effects of global warming on the environment today. In an effort to facilitate a discussion that may change the course of human actions to reverse the effects of global warming, Assemblymember Ted Lieu would like to host "The Climate Project" at the Toyota Meeting Hall on Thursday, October 18, 2007 from 6pm-8pm.

"The Climate Project" is the slide show presentation seen in the film, *An Inconvenient Truth*. Trained volunteers recreate the same live presentation with audience participation, questions, and answers. "The Climate Project's" goal is to bring Global Warming Awareness to communities in the United States and around the world. "The Climate Project" also provides solutions and resources for the growing environmental issues facing us today. Through this community event, Assemblymember Ted Lieu would like to give his constituents the opportunity to view the presentation and become active participants in the fight against global warming and the preservation of our environment.

The City has granted subsidies from time to time for events that benefit the residents of Torrance. The City Manager requests that Council subsidize the rental fees which consist of the room rate, event manager, and set-up crew totaling the amount of $535.50 for the use of the Toyota Meeting Hall on Thursday, October 18, 2007. The following is a breakdown of the rental fees:

	Cost
Room Rate- 4 hours @ $47/hr	$188.00
Event Manager - 4 hours @ $28.75	$115.00
Set-up/Tear down	$232.50
Total	**$535.50**

All residents of the City of Torrance are invited to attend this free event to facilitate a dialogue on the effects of global warming.

Respectfully submitted,

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CITY MANAGER

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