

City of Piedmont
Council Agenda Report

DATE: May 16, 2005

FROM: Ann Swift, City Clerk/IS Manager

SUBJECT: **Approval of an Agreement with the State Franchise Tax Board in the Amount of \$500 for Disclosure of Business Locations in the City of Piedmont**

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached agreement which extends for one year the city's access to state tax data regarding businesses located within Piedmont.

BACKGROUND

In 2001 the California Legislature passed AB63 which authorizes the State Franchise Tax Board to share information with cities regarding business tax filers within their jurisdictions. The city council approved an initial agreement with the Franchise Tax Board in January 2002, and has used this information to increase both the number of home occupation permits in the city and the revenue per taxpayer. Using this data the city was able to identify over 100 new taxpayers during the current fiscal year.

The \$500 cost for participation in the program can be funded from the department's regular budget. It is expected that revenue will continue to improve from this source as further comprehensive enforcement program undertaken.

The attached agreement has been reviewed and approved by the city attorney. It must be executed no later than May 27, 2005 in order for Piedmont to participate in this program.