Agenda Report

Date: February 23, 2004

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF THE NOISE ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE
           CALVARY CHAPEL OF PASADENA'S EASTER SUNRISE
           SERVICE, TO BE HELD AT VICTORY PARK ON SUNDAY, APRIL
           11, 2004.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Acknowledge that the proposed Easter Sunrise Service and the lifting of the Noise Ordinance are categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15023 Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings and;

2. It is recommended that the City Council adopt an ordinance to suspend the Noise Ordinance and a Notice of Exemption and hold first reading of same, with respect to the proposed Easter Sunrise Service to be held at Victory Park on Sunday, April 11, 2004 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

BACKGROUND:

Calvary Chapel of Pasadena located at 2200 E. Colorado Blvd. has submitted a Special Event application requesting the use of Victory Park on Sunday, April 11, 2004 to conduct an Easter Sunrise Service. The event set-up is to begin at 4:30 a.m. with the service from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and departure by 9:30 a.m. The estimated attendance is 900 people. The event will include the use of two 12-inch speakers for both speech and music purposes.

This event has occurred on Easter Sunday at the same site for the past fourteen years with amplified sound and no known complaints.
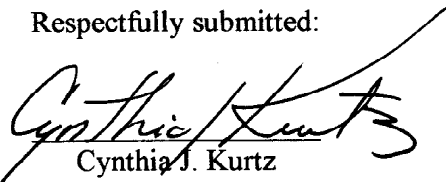
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The Environmental Administrator has determined that the Proposed Suspension of the Noise Ordinance and Temporary Use Permit necessary to hold the Easter Sunday Service is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15323, Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Any City costs that may be incurred, (i.e.-sound meter reading, park clean-up, etc.) are to be paid by the event promoter.

Respectfully submitted:

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