



Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL **DATE: March 2, 2009**

THROUGH: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO DISTRIBUTION OF UNSOLICITED WRITTEN MATERIAL ORDINANCE – PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.44

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council

- (1) Find the proposed ordinance to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21080(b)(9) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15306 (Information Collection).
- (2) Direct the City Attorney to return within 60 days with an ordinance repealing the existing handbill ordinance (Distribution of Unsolicited Written Material Ordinance (Pasadena Municipal Code Chapter 9.44)) and a new ordinance which would:
 - (a) Prohibit the distribution of handbills on residential property (which includes apartments, condominiums, etc.) unless the handbills are properly secured, affixed or weighted so that it will not be blown about or off the property or by delivering the handbill personally to the occupant thereon.
 - (b) Prohibit the distribution of handbills on residential property if there is placed in a conspicuous location near the entrance, a legible sign of at least 16 square inches bearing the words "No Handbills" or a similar notice that the resident wishes not to have their right of privacy disturbed or to receive any handbills, such as a "No Solicitors" sign, unless the distributor has the resident's prior

