

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. E(4)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2002

TITLE: A Request to Establish A Sister City Relationship With Juventano Rosas, Mexico

DEPARTMENT: Board of Aldermen	PUBLIC HEARING: NO
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Alderman John Herrera, 956-4496

PURPOSE

Project 25 of the *2002-03 Action Agenda* calls for the Board of Aldermen to consider establishing a sister city relationship with a city in Mexico. The purpose of this item is to request that the Board consider establishing this relationship.

INFORMATION

Alderman Herrera is interested in establishing a sister city relationship with the Juventano Rosas which is located in the state of Guanajuato in Mexico. Carrboro and Juventano Rosas would be able to:

- Promote cultural understanding and friendly relations between the citizens of our towns
- Support and encourage the exchange of information about our towns and populations
- Promote visits by individuals and delegations of citizens representing politics, education, science and technology, medical and social services, economics, culture, youth, sports, and recreation
- Develop and implement programs of exchanges and cooperation.

The Sister Cities International annual fee is \$295. In light of the current budget constraints, Alderman Herrera is proposing that the Town pursue this effort independently. If the Board decides to proceed, Mayor Nelson would forward a letter to Juventano Rosas' Mayor to express the town's interest.

The Board will receive additional information on the city and state at a later date.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board determine if it would like to establish a sister city relationship.

