



CITY of CALABASAS

LUCY M. MARTIN
Mayor

November 16, 2015

RE: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION – DR. GARY LYSIK

This Reference Letter serves as my highest recommendation for Dr. Gary Lysik to serve your organization in the capacity for which he is applying. I have known Dr. Lysik for over four years, and have served the City of Calabasas as one of its Councilmembers, and most recently as its Mayor. During my tenure with the City, I have concluded that Gary is an ethical, hard-working, dedicated community leader, certainly capable of handling large and complicated projects with great attention to detail, despite minimal dollar and limited time constraints.

Gary effectively and efficiently assumed leadership of the budgeting, investing, auditing, reporting, debt issuance, accounting, revenue generation, certain project management, and risk management activities for the City of Calabasas. Additionally, Dr. Lysik was often asked to provide advice on specific matters regarding City operations, and based on the knowledge and experience Gary possesses in the area of business, his advice was highly regarded and most often followed.

Since Dr. Lysik became Calabasas' Chief Financial Officer in 2003, audit findings have been eliminated, the City's credit rating has vastly improved, fund reserves have grown, financial information has been disseminated in a timely fashion, and generally, the City has greatly prospered under his astute leadership. He has the ability to effectually interact with Councilmembers, Commissioners, Directors, and members of the public and outside agencies. His keen interpersonal and presentation skills make it extremely easy to discuss, comprehend, and reach agreement on very complicated issues. He has a gift in this regard. Quite simply, Dr. Lysik is one of the very best at what he does!

Dr. Gary Lysik is an extremely valuable employee of the City, and without any doubt or reservation, I am most certain he will serve your organization well.

Sincerely,

Lucy Martin, Mayor
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