



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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September 8, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents with the State of California Department of Public Health to provide Beach Water Quality Monitoring and Public Notification activities in the amount of \$79,528 for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The State of California Department of Health Services (State) awarded the City \$79,528 in new grant funds through the Beach Water Quality Monitoring and Public Notification program (AB 411). These funds are available to support the current beach water quality testing program, including reimbursement for testing conducted between July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010 and for support of continued public notification activities such as posting weekly recreational water quality sampling results to the City internet website and posting warning signs at beaches when bacterial levels are above State standards. This grant provides for testing for seven months each year, beginning April 1 through October 31. The State mandates all local health jurisdictions to conduct weekly bacterial testing of waters adjacent to public beaches, which have more than 50,000 visitors annually and are near storm drains, which flow in the summer.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on August 5, 2009 and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on August 17, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is requested on September 8, 2009, as funding for this program had been delayed until the State budget was passed.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the grant funding is \$79,528 from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010, and will support program costs that are included in the Health Department's existing budget. There is no impact on the General Fund.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



RONALD R. ARIAS, DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER