



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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September 19, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit a grant application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation Habitat Conservation Fund Grant Program, for the implementation of active transportation trails as part of the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment Recycle Facility project; accept grant funding in an amount up to \$250,000; and, execute all documents necessary to accept the grant funds and implement the project. (Districts 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9)

DISCUSSION

The California Department of Parks and Recreation Habitat Conservation Fund Grant Program (HCF) provides funding for projects that involve the development of trails that provide opportunity for urban residents to experience wildlife areas. The City of Long Beach (City) has identified the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment Recycle Facility (LB-MUST) project as meeting the requirements of the HCF.

Long Beach's proximity to the Los Angeles River, available park space near the Shoemaker Bridge, and regional active transportation trails make the City an ideal location to build an urban runoff treatment facility. When constructed, the LB-MUST project will improve recreational water quality by intercepting water runoff and reducing and/or eliminating pollution causing metals, bacteria, and hydrocarbons that would otherwise discharge into the Los Angeles River and spread to City beaches and the ocean.

Treated water produced by the LB-MUST project will be used in the Cesar Chavez/Drake Park Wetlands project (funded by the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy – Prop 1 Grant) to create and sustain the wetlands proposed and supplement potable water for the irrigation of parks, parkways and riparian habitat within the park complex. Grant funds will be used to construct the trails within Cesar Chavez/Drake Parks and the LB-MUST project.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on August 30, 2017 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on August 31, 2017.

SUSTAINABILITY

Once a fully implemented trail system is in place, the LB-MUST project will become an active resource for the community to observe the processes that restore and protect the recreational

water quality of the Los Angeles River, the Los Angeles River estuary, and the City's beaches. Educational features will be incorporated along the facility's grounds and within the wetlands to inform the public of the negative impacts of trash, bacteria, metals, oil, and sediment that enters the storm drains and pollute the City's waterways. The benefits of having clean water at City beaches will also be highlighted in the educational features.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 19, 2017, to submit the HCF grant application by the submittal deadline of October 1, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT

The requested action authorizes the City Manager to apply for and accept HCF grant program funds in an amount up to \$250,000 for the implementation of active transportation trails as a part of the LB-MUST project. If awarded, the grant will offset a portion of the project costs and allows for staff time, construction, project management and labor compliance. This grant requires a 100 percent cost match, not to exceed the grant award amount. Matching funds are currently budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Public Works Department (PW).

The total estimated cost of the LB-MUST project is approximately \$30 million, including \$28 million from the California Department of Transportation and a \$2 million grant from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy. Once the facility is constructed, the City will be responsible for ongoing maintenance and operating costs, which cannot be projected at this time. When the ongoing facility costs are known, a funding source for ongoing costs will be identified and requested through the annual budget process. This recommendation will result in a positive impact on jobs, although the exact number is unknown at this time.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



CRAIG A. BECK
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

ATTACHMENT: RESOLUTION

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

1 RESOLUTION NO.

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
4 OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR
5 GRANT FUNDS FROM THE HABITAT CONSERVATION
6 FUND PROGRAM

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8 WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the
9 California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990, which provides funds to the State of California
10 for grants to local agencies to acquire, enhance, restore or develop facilities for public
11 recreation and fish and wildlife habitat protection purposes; and

12 WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been
13 delegated the responsibility for the administration of the Habitat Conservation Fund
14 (HCF) Program, setting up necessary procedures governing project application under the
15 HCF Program; and

16 WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks
17 and Recreation require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of application(s)
18 before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

19 WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into a contract with the State of
20 California to complete the project;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
22 follows:

23 Section 1. The City Council approves the filing of an application by the
24 City of Long Beach ("Applicant") for the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater
25 Treatment Recycle Facility ("Project").

26 Section 2. The City Council certifies that said Applicant has or will have
27 available, prior to commencement of any work on the Project included in the application,
28 the required match and sufficient funds to complete the Project.

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Section 3. The City Council certifies that if the Project is awarded, the Applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Project.

Section 4. The City Council certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the general provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Administration Guide.

Section 5. The City Council delegates the authority to the City Manager, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the Project.

Section 6. The City Council agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

Noes: Councilmembers: _____

Absent: Councilmembers: _____

City Clerk