

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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March 20, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to submit an application to Caltrans for an Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant;
- 2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a grant from Caltrans for \$250,000 for Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant funds and execute all documents necessary to accept the funds; and
- 3. Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP 201) in the Department of Public Works (PW) by \$250,000. (District 9)

DISCUSSION

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) annually awards grants for the preparation of transportation planning studies. The grants are intended to promote strong and healthy communities, economic growth, and enhanced mobility within cities. The Department of Public Works is requesting authorization to submit a grant application to Caltrans for an Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant to revitalize the Artesia Boulevard Corridor.

A resolution has been prepared for the City Council that authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to apply for, accept, and appropriate up to \$250,000 in Caltrans Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant funds. If the City is awarded funding, the Grant will be used to develop new implementation strategies for Artesia Boulevard in order to create a healthy and revitalized multi-modal commercial corridor serving the needs of the surrounding neighborhoods. Staff will conduct extensive community outreach for the development of this plan.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on February 27, 2012 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on March 8, 2012.

<u>SUSTAINABILITY</u>

The project will result in new complete street guidelines and standards to encourage new

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public investment to support walking, bicycling and transit as alternatives to reliance on the automobile and improve air quality. The planning effort will identify capital improvements that will physically improve the neighborhood environment and support walking, bicycling and transit as viable modes of mobility.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on March 20, 2012, as the deadline for submitting the Caltrans Transportation Planning grant is April 2, 2012.

FISCAL IMPACT

Total project costs are anticipated to be \$250,000 over two years. If successful, the City will receive up to \$250,000 in grant funding from Caltrans, with a 10 percent cash match of up to \$25,000 from the Capital Projects Fund (CP) utilizing funds from the Traffic Mitigation Program. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund and no known jobs impact associated with the recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted

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DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER

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Attachment:

Resolution

DFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY OBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 33 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR UP TO \$250,000 UNDER THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) invites applications for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Environmental Justice Transportation Planning with funds available for the preparation of transportation planning studies; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grants are intended to promote strong and healthy communities, economic growth, and enhanced mobility within cities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach desires to develop new implementation strategies for Artesia Boulevard in order to create a healthy and revitalized multi-modal commercial corridor serving the needs of the surrounding neighborhoods (the "Project");

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

Section 1. That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to apply to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for an Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant to provide funds for the Project.

Section 2. That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to take all necessary steps to secure the grant funds from Caltrans to provide funds for the Project.

Section 3. That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized and empowered to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but

payment requests, and amendments of funding providing by Caltrans which may be 2 3 necessary for the completion of the Project. Section 4. 4 5 6 7 the Project. 8 Section 5. 9 10 11 following vote: 12 13 Councilmembers: Ayes: 14 15 16 Councilmembers: 17 Noes: 18 Absent: Councilmembers: 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized, for and on behalf of the City, to accept, appropriate, expend, and administer the grant funds, if secured, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the approved grant for 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 _____, 20___ by the City Clerk

not limited to contracts, subcontracts, applications, agreements, extensions, renewals,