

C-16

June 2, 2020

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to adopt a Resolution and execute all documents necessary to enter into a grant agreement with California State Coastal Conservancy, to accept and expend grant funding, in the amount of \$500,000, for a period of three years; and,

Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department in the amount of \$500,000, offset by grant revenue. (Districts 1, 7, 8, 9)

DISCUSSION

On March 6, 2020, the California Coastal Conservancy approved the authorization to disburse up to \$500,000 to the City of Long Beach (City) to construct a one-acre wetland as part of the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment Project (LB-MUST) (Project).

The Project will construct a stormwater treatment facility and new wetland habitat area near the Shoemaker Bridge, at 901 DeForest Avenue. The goal of the Project is to improve stormwater quality in Long Beach to benefit aquatic life and recreational beach activities. By capturing and cleaning urban stormwater runoff, the Project will reduce pollution that would otherwise be discharged into the Los Angeles River (LAR) and enter Long Beach's beaches. The recycled water byproduct will help sustain a wetland habitat proposed as part of the Project. These activities ensure compliance with the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

The Project met the guidelines of the California Coast Conservancy Grant (Grant). The Grant contributes funding to projects that are multi-benefit such as improving water quality, water supply, and watershed protection. The Project provides these benefits with the construction of a centralized water treatment facility, creation of a green space featuring educational signage, a wetland, and landscaped trails. City Council approval is requested to accept and expend up to \$500,000 in grant funds for the Project.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on May 5, 2020 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on May 12, 2020.

SUSTAINABILITY

The Project is expected to achieve Envision Platinum certification, and the LB-MUST Facility is expected to be LEED Silver certified. Additionally, treated stormwater from the LB-MUST Facility will provide potable water offset by sustaining the proposed wetland and potentially irrigating other City facilities, providing future water resiliency.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on June 2, 2020, to ensure the grant application is accepted and expended by the grant deadline. A Resolution authorizing acceptance is required per the grant guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT

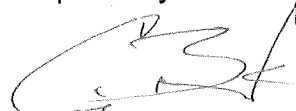
The total cost of the LB-MUST Project is currently estimated at \$42,800,000, which includes design, construction, construction management, inspection, labor compliance, and project oversight. The total cost is partially supported by \$28,000,000 from the California Department of Transportation grant funding, \$2,000,000 in grant funding from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, \$1,000,000 from the Harbor Department (Port) Community Infrastructure Grant Program, \$428,000 from City Capital Projects funds, and \$500,000 from the California Coastal Conservancy Grant. An appropriation increase of \$500,000 in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department is requested, offset by grant revenue. This grant does not have a match requirement. The remaining project cost of \$10,872,000 is anticipated to be covered by parcel tax revenue generated by Los Angeles County's Measure W to improve and increase water supply and quality.

This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



CRAIG A. BECK
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY FOR THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL URBAN STORMWATER TREATMENT RECYCLE FACILITY PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has established the State Coastal Conservancy (“Conservancy”) under Division 21 of the California Public Resources Code, and has authorized the Conservancy to award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations to implement the provisions of Division 21; and

WHEREAS, the Conservancy awards grants for projects that it determines are consistent with Division 21 of the Public Resources Code and with the Conservancy’s Strategic Plan and that best achieve the Conservancy’s statutory objectives, in light of limited funding; and

WHEREAS, at its February 6, 2020 meeting, the Conservancy adopted a resolution authorizing a grant to the City of Long Beach (“Grantee”) for the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment Recycle Facility Project (the “Project”). The resolution was adopted by the Conservancy pursuant to and is included in the Conservancy February 6 , 2020 staff recommendation, a copy of which is on file with the Grantee and with the Conservancy.

WHEREAS, the Conservancy requires that the governing body of the Grantee certify through a resolution that it approves the award of Conservancy grant funding and authorizes the execution by a representative of the Grantee of a grant agreement on terms and conditions required by the Conservancy;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby

1 resolves as follows:

2 Section 1. Approves the award of grant funding from the Conservancy
3 for the Project.

4 Section 2. Acknowledges that it has or will have sufficient funds to
5 complete the Project and, if any property is acquired as part of the Project to operate and
6 maintain the property, and, if any facilities are constructed as a part of the Project, to
7 operate and maintain the facilities for a reasonable period, not less than the useful life of
8 the facilities.

9 Section 3. Agrees to provide any funds beyond the Conservancy grant
10 funds necessary to complete the Project.

11 Section 4. Agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions of the grant
12 agreement and any other agreement or instrument as may be required by the
13 Conservancy and as may be necessary to fulfill the terms of the grant agreement and to
14 complete the Project.

15 Section 5. Authorizes the City Manager or designee to act as a
16 representative of the Grantee, to negotiate and execute on behalf of the Grantee all
17 agreements and instruments necessary to complete the Project and to comply with the
18 Conservancy's grant requirements, including, without limitation, the grant agreement.

19 Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
20 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

Noes: Councilmembers: _____

Absent: Councilmembers: _____

Recusal(s): Councilmember: _____

City Clerk

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