



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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November 14, 2006

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach to Provide Services for a Corridor Clean-Up/Training Project in the Amount of \$130,000 for the period of November 15, 2006 through November 14, 2007. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Community Development Department recently conducted a competitive procurement process to solicit responses from qualified entities to oversee a litter abatement cleanup program for targeted areas, key corridors and neighborhoods of Long Beach as part of the Department of Public Works Community Support and Litter Abatement Program. The requested program will include a work experience component in support of the City's Workforce Development Efforts. Eligibility to apply includes requirements that responding local organizations meet the qualifying definitions as HUD Section 3 businesses. Notices were sent to potential and identified qualifying businesses through ongoing disadvantaged business outreach efforts. Through that procurement process two responses were received; the Conservation Corps of Long Beach (Corps) was recommended to operate the project for the City.

The Corps will work with approximately 24 low-income, disadvantaged Long Beach and Signal Hill young adults, 18 - 21 years of age, with multiple barriers to employment by providing job training, leadership development and access to education completion services. Participating youth will earn minimum wage salary during the course of work experience activities over 10-week cycles of 30 hours per week. Each youth will receive one week of pre-employment/work readiness skills training prior to the paid work experience and training. At the project conclusion, participants will receive a certificate of completion and will be referred to additional vocational training, job readiness or placement services as appropriate through the City's programs at its three career centers.

The Corps will oversee refuse removal assistance through City-directed corridor and alley cleanup projects by linking the City's work experience activities of participating youth to targeted cleanup activities. Serving as the program operator, the Corps will

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utilize the \$130,000 to provide program management oversight, necessary supervision, supplies and equipment, and structured program activities. Utilizing an additional \$66,596, the City will directly process the youth payroll services, and provide overall project management.

This letter was reviewed by Principal Deputy City Attorney J. Charles Parkin on October 17, 2006 and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on November 1, 2006.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 14, 2006 to allow sufficient time to process the contract documents.

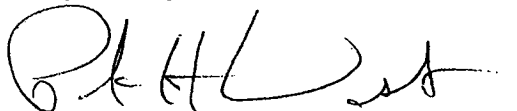
FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2007 (FY 07) budget: \$119,659 in the Refuse Fund (EF 330) in the Department of Public Works (PW), \$58,936 in the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Community Development (CD) and \$18,000 in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD).

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:

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