

January 10, 2023

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

City of Long Beach

California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Host Agency Agreement, and all necessary documents with the UAW Labor Employment and Training Corporation – Title V Senior Community Services Employment Program, for the continuation of the Senior Community Services Employment Program at the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department, for a term of one year from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with five one-year renewal periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

For approximately 35 years, the City of Long Beach (City) has been a host agency for the County of Los Angeles Title V Senior Community Services Employment Program (Title V-SCSEP). Title V-SCSEP is designed to provide and promote useful part-time training opportunities for adults over the age of 55 years who have a family income that does not exceed 125 percent of the federal poverty level, are unemployed, and reside in the County of Los Angeles (County). The goal of the program is to transition Title V-SCSEP participants (Participants) to permanent job placements.

The County provides Participants a variety of supportive services, such as personal and job-related counseling, job training, job referral, case management, and social services referrals. Participants are placed in companies to train 15 to 20 hours per week and are paid the minimum wage hourly rate. Training goals are designed to assist Participants with upgrading skills and securing permanent employment. Under Title V-SCSEP, the County will place Participants at Parks, Recreation and Marine Department (Department) facilities, pay wages, and provide insurance at no cost to the Department.

The existing Title V-SCSEP agreement has expired. The Department would like to enter into a new Host Agency Agreement with UAW Labor Employment and Training Corporation (UAW-LETC). Currently, Title V-SCSEP Participants work at the Department's Long Beach Senior Center in a variety of areas, such as cashiering, general custodial, building monitor duties, and information assistance. City staff directly supervise each Participant and submit timecards and employability reports to the Title V-SCSEP program administrators. The Department considers Participants for all job openings for which they qualify.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on November 29, 2022 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on December 14, 2022.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on January 10, 2023, to allow for timely execution of the Title V – Senior Community Services Employment Program Host Agency Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT

As the participant's part-time wages are paid by the County of Los Angeles, there is no fiscal impact associated with this request. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. This recommendation will result in a positive impact on jobs, and it is anticipated that eight part-time jobs will be created through this agreement.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER