

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

**R-10** 

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

333 WEST OCEAN BOULEVARD - LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA 90802

May 11, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the State of California Strategic Growth Council through the Urban Greening for Sustainable Communities Program, in an amount totaling \$1,500,000 to implement the Long Beach Low Impact Development Academy. (District 7)

### **DISCUSSION**

As the Workforce Investment Board's administering agency, the Workforce Investment Network (Network) administers the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA), American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), and other employment and training funds awarded annually and throughout the year. Those funds support job-training programs and business services delivered by five One-Stop Career Centers and selected community-based organizations to assist local residents in updating skills, transitioning from a lay-off, and filling skills gaps with businesses in the local economy.

California's Strategic Growth Council (Council) was created in 2008 to oversee efforts of State agencies that improve air and water quality, protect natural resources, promote public health, assist local entities in the planning and meeting of sustainable community goals, and provide other community benefits. Through the Natural Resources Agency, the Council has released a Solicitation for Proposals (Solicitation) around urban greening projects in local communities.

The Network, in partnership with the Office of Sustainability, proposes to apply for up to \$1,500,000 in grant funding through the Solicitation to implement and operate the Long Beach Low Impact Development Academy (Academy). The Academy will engage more than 100 youth and young adults in important sustainability strategies and work experience that tie to education and career paths, while simultaneously connecting restorative activities to the Hilltop Park property in concert with the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. Areas of focus will be on mulching operations, urban farming and forestry, rainwater rescue, and overall sustainability of the property.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on April 21, 2010 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell, on April 23, 2010.

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# TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on May 11, 2010 in order to submit the grant application in a timely manner.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The receipt of grants funds is not currently budgeted. If the application is approved, an appropriation increase of the actual grant amount in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD) will be requested. There will be no impact to the General Fund. An estimated 100 temporary jobs would be created through the project training, with secondary, long-term goals around full-time employment for project trainees.

# SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Attachment: Resolution

APPROVED:

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# OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

### RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING GRANT PROGRAM, UNDER THE STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL FOR THE LONG BEACH LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program; establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of Application(s) by the Applicants' governing board before submission of said Application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, if selected, will enter into an Agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Long Beach City Council hereby:

Section 1. Approves the filing of an Application for the Long Beach Low Impact Development Academy; and

Section 2. Certifies that Applicant understands the assurances and certification in the Application; and

Section 3. Certifies that Applicant or the title holder will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Project(s) consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so; and

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Section 4. Certifies that it will comply with all provisions of Section 1771.8 of the California Labor Code regarding payment of prevailing wages on Projects awarded Proposition 84 Funds; and

Section 5. If applicable, certifies that the Project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, and that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained; and

Section 6. Certifies that applicant will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1; and

Section 7. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to Applications, Agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

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1	Approved and adopted the	day of	, 2010.
2	I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number		
3	was duly adopted on the Long Beach City Council by the following vote.		
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