



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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July 7, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach to provide training in job skills and environmental education to young men and women in public conservation work, from May 1, 2009 to May 1, 2014, on a cost reimbursement basis in an estimated annual amount not to exceed \$600,000 with the option of adding expenditures up to 15 percent (or \$90,000) above the annual contract amount, if necessary and if funds are available.
(Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is being requested authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB). The CCLB is the only organization of its kind and provides a unique service as well as serving as a leader in the community. The CCLB provides job training and environmental education for young adults through various conservation and improvement projects for public agencies. Typical projects for the City include landscaping, tree planting, park improvements, sidewalk maintenance and moving services.

The CCLB has completed 22 years working with the City. During that time, 5,000 young people have participated in conservation and improvement projects and over \$63.5 million has been put back into the community through these projects, including steam cleaning of 36 million square yards of concrete, stairs and bus shelters; the pouring of 600 square yards of concrete to replace damaged sidewalks; the distribution of 4,500 recycling containers resulting in 21.4 million pounds of recyclables collected; the maintenance of landscaping at Cesar Chavez Park, Tanaka Park, Peace Park and 4th Street Park, and the planting of approximately 60,000 trees and shrubs, to name a few. The students attending John Muir Charter School at CCLB have attended 622,240 hours of education. More than two million hours of community service have been performed by Conservation Corps members in the City of Long Beach.

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As a result of the Conservation Corps' efforts in Long Beach, local youth have received valuable work experience, and our city is cleaner, more accessible and generally more attractive.

The proposed agreement will continue the City's working relationship with the CCLB for five years. Projects will be selected by mutual agreement between the City and the CCLB on the basis of the following factors: environment and natural resource benefits offered, the opportunities for public use, and the value of on-the-job training for CCLB members. The CCLB assists the City with the following types of projects: sidewalk maintenance, moving/relocation services, playground refurbishment, mini-park development, landscaping, tree planting, and litter and graffiti removal.

Since CCLB's combination of job training and environmental education is unique, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids, and to do so would constitute an unnecessary expenditure of public funds in that CCLB is the only entity of its kind that could or would submit a bid for the furnishing of said services.

The proposed agreement details the process for submittal, approval and implementation of projects. The City Manager, or designee, and the Executive Director of the CCLB will coordinate all projects. Standard forms are used to ensure that a detailed description and thorough review are secured on all proposal descriptions and approved projects.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Burton on June 16, 2009 and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on June 15, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to adopt the attached Resolution is requested on July 7, 2009 to ensure that the contract is in place expeditiously to minimize interruption in service.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will reimburse the Conservation Corps of Long Beach for the costs of individual projects upon completion and the costs shall not exceed the project estimates. All projects will be authorized in the appropriate annual budgets prior to implementation. Historically, the City has spent \$2.6 million over the past five years from multiple funds via multiple departments for a variety of services.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENT

APPROVED:



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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONSERVATION CORPS OF LONG BEACH, WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, FOR PROJECTS IN PUBLIC SERVICE CONSERVATION WORK IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$600,000

WHEREAS, the Conservation Corps of Long Beach ("CCLB") wishes to provide training in job skills and environmental education to young men and women of the Long Beach area through a program which includes projects in public service conservation work; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach ("City") can provide opportunities for public service through meaningful and productive work projects; and

WHEREAS, CCLB has completed twenty-two (22) years working with the City during which time five thousand (5,000) young people have participated in conservation and improvement projects and over \$63.5 million has been put back into the community through these projects; and

WHEREAS, as a result of CCLB's efforts in the City, local youth have received valuable work experience, and the City is cleaner, more accessible and generally more attractive; and

WHEREAS, CCLB is the only organization of its kind and provides unique service as well as serving as a leader in the community; and

WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of public funds;

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

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter a contract with Conservation Corps of Long Beach to provide training in job skills and environmental education to young men and women of the Long Beach area through a program which includes public conservation and improvement projects in an annual amount not to exceed six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) with the option of adding expenditures up to twenty-five percent (25%).

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately on 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 on _____, 2009, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Councilmembers:	_____

Noes:	Councilmembers:	_____

Absent:	Councilmembers:	_____

City Clerk