



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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July 2, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution requesting the Board of Harbor Commissioners approve the transfer of 5 percent of Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 19) gross operating revenue, from the Harbor Fund Group to the Tidelands Operating Fund Group, with a true-up adjustment, if necessary, to reflect the final gross revenue amount upon issuance of the Harbor Department's FY 19 audited financial statements. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Charter Section 1209(c)(4) provides for the transfer of a maximum of 5 percent of Harbor Department gross operating revenue. The City Charter provides that the City Council, by a 2/3 vote expressed by Resolution, may request the transfer to meet the lawful obligations of the Tidelands Operating Fund Group. The provision requires a majority vote of the Harbor Board of Commissioners, expressed by Resolution, to enact the transfer, determining the funds will not be needed for Harbor Department operations. The Harbor Department FY 20 Proposed Budget, approved by the Harbor Commission, will include a transfer amount calculated on 5 percent of FY 19 operating revenue, which is currently estimated at \$20,135,600. This amount is approximately 1 percent higher than the transfer amount received for the previous fiscal year. Approval of the transfer to Tidelands Operations Fund will be considered by the Harbor Commission as a separate budget action in response to this formal request by the City Council.

Tidelands Fund Requirements

Department operating revenues generated in the Tidelands area (parking, leases, service agreements, etc.) and Tidelands oil revenue are insufficient to fund Tidelands operations, particularly in light of continuing lower oil production and oil prices. The Harbor Department revenue transfer is a critical funding source for Tidelands operations citywide, including support for lifeguards, waterfront maintenance and operations, the Convention Center, and Aquarium debt payments.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber and by Budget Manager Grace H. Yoon on June 13, 2019.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Authority to transfer the funds must be expressed by Resolution. Since the adoption of the FY 20 Tidelands budget is dependent upon the annual transfer, the City Council and Board of Harbor Commissioners must adopt Resolutions prior to the City Council's adoption of the FY 20 Proposed Budget, which includes the budget of the Harbor Department. City Council approval is requested on July 2, 2019, to allow time for the FY 19 transfer amount to be approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners for the FY 20 Proposed Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

The transfer of 5 percent of FY 19 gross operating revenue from the Harbor Fund Group to the Tidelands Operating Fund Group will be included in the City Manager's FY 20 Proposed Budget to support Tidelands operations. The transfer amount will be paid quarterly and will be based on the actual operating revenues reported in the Harbor Department's FY 19 audited financial statements. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



JOHN GROSS
DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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ATTACHMENT

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH TO APPROVE A TRANSFER FROM THE HARBOR REVENUE FUND TO THE TIDELANDS OPERATIONS FUND PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CITY CHARTER SECTION 1209(C)(4)

WHEREAS, City Charter Section 1209(c)(4) authorizes the transfer of monies deposited to the credit of the Harbor Revenue Fund to the Tidelands Operations Fund under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that a transfer of funds from the Harbor Revenue Fund to the Tidelands Operations Fund is required to meet the lawful obligations of the Tidelands Operations Fund; and

WHEREAS, City Charter Section 1209(c)(4) provides for the transfer of a maximum of five percent (5%) of the gross operating revenues of the Harbor Department;

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

Section 1. A transfer of funds from the Harbor Revenue Fund to the Tidelands Operations Fund is required to meet the lawful obligations of the Tidelands Operations Fund.

Section 2. That five percent (5%) of the gross operating revenues of the Harbor Department be transferred to the Tidelands Operations Fund.

Section 3. The transfer is being requested quarterly with a reconciliation, as necessary, to reflect the final audited gross operating revenues as shown on the

1 Harbor Department's independently audited financial statements for the period ending
2 September 30, 2019.

3 Section 4. The City Council by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all its
4 members requests that the Board of Harbor Commissioners approve the transfer of five
5 percent (5%) of the gross operating revenues (estimated at approximately \$20,135,600
6 based upon the Harbor Department's FY19 audited financial statement amount) from the
7 Harbor Revenue Fund to the Tidelands Operations Fund, which transfer shall be made
8 by journal entry on the books of the City of Long Beach.

9 Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
10 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

11 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
12 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2019,
13 by the following vote:

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15 Ayes: Councilmembers: _____
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19 Noes: Councilmembers: _____
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21 Absent: Councilmembers: _____
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26 City Clerk