

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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September 16, 2008

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all necessary documents between the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services and the State of California Department of Health Services to accept funding in the amount of \$25,000 to provide Beach Water Quality Monitoring and Public Notification from October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION**

The State of California Department of Health Services (State) awarded the City \$25,000 in new grant funds through the Beach Water Quality Monitoring and Public Notification program. These funds are available to support the current beach water quality testing program, including reimbursement for testing conducted during the period October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009, and support continued public notification activities such as posting weekly recreational water quality sampling results to the City internet website and posting warning signs at beaches when bacterial levels are above State standards. The State mandates all local health jurisdictions to conduct weekly bacterial testing of waters adjacent to public beaches, which have more than 50,000 visitors annually and are near storm drains, which flow in the summer.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on August 21, 2008 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 2, 2008.

## TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the agreement is \$25,000 for the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. Sufficient funds are appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) for FY 09. There is no impact to the General Fund.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve the recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER