

# **CITY OF LONG BEACH**

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into agreements with the South Coast Air Quality Management District to accept grant funds to replace or retrofit on-road and off-road vehicles. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION**

City Council approval is being requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into agreements with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to accept two grant awards. The first grant will partially offset the purchase cost of 35 liquefied natural gas (LNG) refuse collection vehicles, and the second grant will fund the retrofit of six diesel-fueled off-road vehicles with emission control devices.

On March 25, 2009, the City of Long Beach Fleet Services Bureau (FSB) submitted a grant application to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee of the SCAQMD, under the Local Government Match Program, for \$875,000 to use toward the purchase of 35 LNG refuse collection vehicles. The City Council authorized the purchase of 18 LNG refuse collection vehicles on August 4, 2009. On April 30, 2009, FSB submitted a grant application to the Carl Moyer program, also administered by the SCAQMD, for funds to retrofit diesel-fueled off-road vehicles and equipment for \$46,375. On November 6, 2009, the SCAQMD Board of Directors authorized the recommendations to fund both applications submitted by FSB. FSB will coordinate the procurement of the needed devices and remaining replacement vehicles when authorization is received.

These projects will assist the City in complying with the air quality requirements to reduce diesel particulate matter and oxides of nitrogen emissions. Contract agreements generally run three years from the date of execution. All work must be completed by March 1, 2013.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson on November 24, 2009 and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on December 15, 2009.

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### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Authorization for the City Manager to execute the agreement and any subsequent amendments or requests for payment to accept the funds is requested at the January 5, 2010 City Council meeting to facilitate processing of required documents.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The combined grant awards of \$921,375 will partially offset capital purchase and equipment costs in the Fleet Services Fund (IS 386) in the Department of Public Works (PW). The remaining capital purchase funds are collected from user departments during the life of a vehicle for future replacements. Since these two grants are augmenting the replacement or retrofit of the vehicles, existing appropriation will be used. There is no impact to the General Fund.

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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APPROVED: