



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
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RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a one-year agreement with the County of Los Angeles, beginning July 1, 2010 and continuing through June 30, 2011, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000, to assist in the cost of removing debris deposited on City beaches and marinas emanating from the Los Angeles River. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

Since 1994, maintenance staff from the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine have removed an annual amount of approximately 4,500 tons of debris from our beaches and marinas. It is estimated that 95 percent of this debris emanates from the Los Angeles River.

Since December 1984, the City of Long Beach (City) and the County of Los Angeles (County) have had a cooperative agreement for the removal of trash and debris emanating from the Los Angeles River. This agreement provides reimbursement to the City of up to \$500,000 per year for costs the City incurs in the removal of trash and debris from our beaches and marinas. The current annual term of the agreement expired on June 30, 2010.

The County has expressed their intent to continue the \$500,000 reimbursement for Fiscal Year 2011 for a one-year period, which began July 1, 2010 and will continue through June 30, 2011. Due to the County's current budget issues, the processing of this year's agreement was delayed. The County has been aggressively implementing new policies and processes to reduce the amount of trash that enters our drainage systems and is subsequently deposited on our beaches and in our marinas. They will continue to monitor these processes in order to measure performance.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on March 25, 2011.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 19, 2011, in order to allow staff to expedite the agreement process and to continue seeking reimbursement of expenses incurred from debris removal emanating from the Los Angeles River.

FISCAL IMPACT

Debris and trash removal from Long Beach beaches and marinas is budgeted in the Tidelands Operating Fund (TF 401) and the Marina Fund (TF 403) in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR). Revenue received from the reimbursement of expenses will accrue to each fund based on actual expenses incurred. There is no impact to jobs associated with the recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



GEORGE CHAPJIAN
DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER