

R-17

November 12, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Harbor Department, to accept and expend grant funding from the Community Infrastructure Grant Program, in the amount of \$1,000,000, for a period of three years; and,

Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department in the amount of \$1,000,000, offset by grant revenue. (Districts 1, 7, 8, 9)

DISCUSSION

In 2009, the City of Long Beach (City) Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board) approved the Community Infrastructure Grant Program. The Grant Program provides funding for community-based projects outside the Harbor District to offset the cumulative impacts of Port of Long Beach (Port) development. In 2016, the Board expanded its Community Infrastructure Grant Program and allocated \$46.6 million to community-based projects to reduce the impacts of Port operations.

In June 2018, the Port released a \$3 million solicitation for community infrastructure projects with a specific focus on stormwater and water quality. Eligible projects included multi-benefit stormwater projects, stormwater infiltration and retention, stormwater capture and reuse, and conventional stormwater treatment to help reduce stormwater-related impacts and improve the water quality of San Pedro Bay. The City's Department of Public Works applied for the Community Infrastructure Grant Program and on November 12, 2018, the Board approved the award of \$1,000,000.

The \$1,000,000 in grant funds was awarded for the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment (LB-MUST) Project. The grant funding will be used for one stormwater filtration unit and installation costs. The LB-MUST facility will have two filtration units, each with a design capacity to process one million gallons per day. Filtration units will remove total suspended solids, metals, pathogens, oil and grease, turbidity, and various dissolved organics. The LB-MUST project will be able to treat approximately 41 percent of the City's watershed discharge to the Los Angeles River.

This matter was reviewed by Amy R. Webber on October 7, 2019 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on October 23, 2019.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 12, 2019, to proceed with the acceptance of grant funding and continue timely progress of the LB-MUST Project.


FISCAL IMPACT

The total estimated project cost of the LB-MUST Project is \$32,000,000, which includes design, construction, construction management, inspection, labor compliance, and project oversight. The total cost is partially supported by \$28,000,000 from California Department of Transportation grant funding, \$2,000,000 in grant funding from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, and \$428,000 from City Capital Projects funds. An appropriation increase in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$1,000,000 is requested to be offset by the Community Infrastructure Grant Program grant award. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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