



Date: June 20, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Al Austin II, Eighth District

Subject: Funds Transfer Request for the 20th Anniversary Grape Expectations Fundraising Gala

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$500, offset by the Eighth Council District One-time District Priority Funds, transferred from the Citywide Activities Department, to provide a donation to the Long Beach Public Library Foundation in support of the 20th Anniversary Grape Expectations fundraising gala; and,

Decrease appropriation in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$500, to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

BACKGROUND:

Since 1996, the Long Beach Public Library Foundation has bolstered the mission of Long Beach's public libraries, encouraging literacy and education for all members of the community. The Foundation's support provides vital free programs to over 1 million annual visitors at Long Beach's 12 public libraries. Available programs include kindergarten readiness programs, one-on-one tutoring for students, 3D printing, STEAM workshops, employment skills support, homebound reader services for seniors, and more. On October 1, 2023, the Long Beach Public Library Foundation will host its 20th Anniversary Grape Expectations gala, its signature fundraising event to support their continued work on behalf of Long Beach's libraries. I commend the Foundation's commitment to this excellent cause and would like to request Council's approval to lend my support toward this event.

This item has been reviewed by Budget Analyst Joe R. Guerrero on June 12, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide a contribution to the Long Beach Public Library Foundation for the 20th Anniversary Grape Expectations fundraising gala on October 1, 2023. The appropriation increase of \$500 in the General Fund Group in the City

Manager Department will be offset by a decrease of appropriation of the Eighth Council District One-time District Priority Funds in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department. The recommendation is anticipated to require a minimal level of staff hours beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is expected to have a minimal impact on existing City Council priorities.