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# CITY OF LONG BEACH

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
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## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents with the State of California Department of Health Services to provide beach water quality monitoring and public notification from October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005; and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) by \$25,000. (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, 2004 through March 31, 2005, 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 Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin on August 16, 2005 and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on August 23, 2005.

## TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) received preliminary notification of the award in September 2004 and has been providing services since October 1, 2004. DHHS recently received the agreement from the State and cannot recover costs until the agreement is approved.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the agreement is \$25,000 from October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005. An appropriations increase for this amount is included in the recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

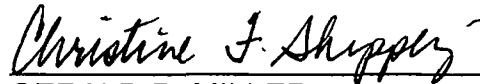
Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



for

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CITY MANAGER