CITY OF LONGBEACH

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September 6, 2022

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary including any necessary subsequent amendments, to enter into a Restricted Grant Agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), to accept and expend grant funding in the amount of \$180,000, to implement the grant for the Clean California Grant Program for the Artesia Boulevard/State Route 91 Undercrossing Mural project. (District 9)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Restricted Grant Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Clean California Grant Program for the Artesia Boulevard/State Route 91 Undercrossing Mural project.

The Clean California Grant Program, administered by Caltrans, helps fund local communities to add beautification measures and art in public spaces along with the removal of litter and debris, to enhance communities and improve spaces for walking and recreation. The program goals are to reduce the amount of waste and debris within public rights-of-way, pathways, parks, transit centers, and other public spaces; enhance, rehabilitate, restore, or install measures to beautify and improve public spaces and mitigate the urban heat island effect; enhance public health, cultural connection, and community placemaking by improving public spaces for walking and recreation; and, advance equity for underserved communities.

The City of Long Beach's (City) staff and design team envisioned incorporating a large mural on the existing State Route 91 bridge abutment wall and bridge columns at Artesia Boulevard. The mural would complement the City's Artesia Great Boulevard project that improves the safety and operation of Artesia Boulevard for all modes of transportation, including transit, bicyclists and pedestrians. The mural would enhance the neighborhood appeal of an underserved community in North Long Beach and would generate a sense of pride in the community. The Clean California grant funding will make it feasible to bring art into a public space and bring an aesthetic improvement to the daily lives of passersby.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Vanessa S. Ibarra on August 10, 2022 and by Budget Management Officer Nader Kaamoush on August 22, 2022.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to adopt the attached Resolution is requested on September 6, 2022, to allow expeditious execution of the Restricted Grant Agreement to ensure the grant timelines are met.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of the Artesia Boulevard/State Route 91 Undercrossing Mural Project is estimated at \$180,000, which includes design, mural installation, and project oversight. The total cost will be supported by the Clean California Grant Program. This grant has no match funding requirements and will complement the Artesia Great Boulevard project. Under the program guidelines, the City is required to accept the grant and name the official authorized to sign by Resolution. City staff will return to the City Council for appropriation of the grant funds once the grant agreement has been executed. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. Approval of this recommendation would potentially have a positive impact on the local job market.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

March

ERIC LOPEZ DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

ATTACHMENT: RESOLUTION

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA CITY MANAGER

1	RESOLUTION NO.				
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3	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE				
4	CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY				
5	MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL MASTER AGREEMENTS,				
6	PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENTS, FUND				
7	EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS, RESTRICTED GRANT				
8	AGREEMENTS, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO,				
9	WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF				
10	TRANSPORTATION				
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12	WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans") is the				
13	administrator of state and federal funds that flow to cities; and				
14	WHEREAS, acceptance and expenditure of state and federal funds generally				
15	requires the execution of a master agreement covering the City as a whole, as well as				
16	program and funding agreements specific to projects;				
17	NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as				
18	follows:				
19	Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated				
20	herein by this reference.				
21	Section 2. The City is eligible to receive Federal and/or State funding for				
22	certain transportation projects through Caltrans.				
23	Section 3. Master agreements, program supplemental agreements, fund				
24	exchange agreements and restricted grant agreements need to be executed with Caltrans				
25	before such funds can be claimed.				
26	Section 4. The City Manager of the City of Long Beach is hereby				
27	authorized to execute these agreements and any amendments thereto.				
28	Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption				
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1	by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.				
2	I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City				
3	Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of, 2022				
4	by the following vote:				
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6	Ayes:	Councilmembers:			
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10	Noes:	Councilmembers:			
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