CITY OF LONG BEACH

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents, and any needed subsequent amendments, with the Department of Defense through the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA), to accept funds totaling \$1,342,406 funded by the Community Economic Adjustment Assistance for Reductions in Defense Industry Employment (CEAARDIE), to continue implementation of a project that addresses the economic and workforce impact of the C-17 plant closure; execute an agreement, and any needed subsequent amendments, with project partners in the amount totaling \$1,125,000, for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017; and,

Increase appropriations in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Economic and Property Development Department (EP) by \$1,342,406, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Pacific Gateway administers various employment and educational training programs through its Career Transition Center, Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center, and partnerships with selected community organizations. These programs assist job seekers in acquiring skills leading to employment in high demand occupations by local employers.

In 2015, the Department of Defense, through the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA), awarded the City, through Pacific Gateway, \$3,995,609 in grant funds to support a project in anticipation of the C-17 plant closure. The project integrated direct services to dislocated workers and created a master plan for the C-17 plant and surrounding parcels to ensure future users would maximize economic benefits of the facility.

Earlier this year, OEA notified Pacific Gateway that the City would receive additional funding of \$1,512,023 to continue and expand the project. For this new round of grant funds, Pacific Gateway will work with various businesses to assess their economic competitiveness, conduct asset mapping, and support the City's modified Planning and Zoning documents. Pacific Gateway will also contract with the following project partners to assist with completion of deliverables:

ENTITY	ROLE & RESPONSIBILITY	CONTRACT TERM	CONTRACT AMOUNT
SJM Consulting	 Economic Competitiveness and Asset Mapping Sector Opportunities Study Entrepreneurial Accelerator 	7/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$565,000
Dudek Consulting	Future Land Use and Environmental Study	7/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$560,000

TOTAL

\$1,125,000

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on July 28, 2017.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 15, 2017, to facilitate processing of required documents.

FISCAL IMPACT

Pacific Gateway will receive up to \$1,342,406 in direct federal funding from the OEA, under the CEAARDIE funds. This funding requires a non-federal match of up to \$169,617, for a total estimated project cost of \$1,512,023. The non-federal match requirements will be met through a combination of existing non-federal grant-funded employment programs, and General Fund-supported personnel in the Economic and Property Development and Development Services Departments. An appropriations increase of \$1,342,406 is requested in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Economic and Property Development Department (EP). Implementation of this program will result in a positive local job impact through the services provided to dislocated workers, job seekers, and the local business community.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Respectfully/submitted.

Approve recommendation.

JOHN KEISLER

DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC & PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

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