



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 16, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents, and any subsequent amendments including changing the terms, extending the grant period, or increasing grant amounts, with the State Water Resources Control Board to receive and expend grant funding in the amount of \$100,000, to provide beach water quality monitoring from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The State mandates that all coastal health jurisdictions conduct weekly bacterial testing of waters adjacent to public beaches that have more than 50,000 visitors annually and are near storm drains that flow in the summer. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) awarded the City \$100,000 in grant funding to administer the Health and Human Services Department's (Health Department) 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 through June 30, 2019, and support continued public notification activities, such as posting weekly recreational water quality sampling results on the Health Department's website and posting warning signs at beaches when bacterial levels exceed State standards. The Health Department exceeds State requirements by conducting year-round testing.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on March 22, 2019 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on March 27, 2019.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 16, 2019. Delays at the State level prevented this agreement from being executed earlier.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the agreement is \$100,000 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE). No match or in-kind service mandate is required. Approval of this recommendation will result in minimal impact to

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staff hours beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is in line with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



KELLY COLOPY, DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:


PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER