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Board of Water Commissioners

March 12, 2020 Board Meeting

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager

Subject:

Adopt Resolution No. WD-1422 authorizing the General Manager to sign and file all necessary documents associated with the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation Fiscal Year 2020 WaterSMART Title XVI: Congressionally Authorized Water Reclamation and Reuse Projects Grant Application for El Dorado Duck Pond Rehabilitation Project.

Executive Summary:

The United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) Title XVI Program provides federal funding for the planning, design and construction of water recycling and reuse projects in partnership with local government entities. To seek federal funding through the Title XVI program, projects must have received Congressional authorization. In 1996, the Long Beach Water Department received Congressional authorization for projects related to “the treatment of effluent from the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County through the City of Long Beach” and can apply for up to \$3.4M in project funding under the current funding opportunity announcement. Federal funding amounts may be provided for up to 25-percent of the total Project costs for work that will be conducted before September 30, 2023. Recipients of the grant will still be responsible for a minimum of 75-percent of total Project costs.

LBWD staff and LBWD’s contracted grant consultant, Engineering Solutions Services, reviewed the USBR Fiscal Year 2020 WaterSMART: Title XVI funding package and recommends LBWD apply for a grant to support the El Dorado Duck Pond Rehabilitation Project. Total project costs are \$5M, and LBWD’s share is \$1.1M. LBWD may apply for \$281,000 of federal funding, which is 25-percent of LBWD’s share of total project costs. A resolution from the Board of Water Commissioners is required as part of the application process.


Recommendation/Fiscal Impacts:

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Fiscal Impact: No immediate fiscal impact to submit an application, however the El Dorado Duck Pond Rehabilitation Project is estimated to cost \$1.1M. If selected and awarded for the grant, up to \$281,000 in federal funds will be available. The project cost to the Water Fund will be incurred during FY 20 and FY 21 with the actual annual amounts unknown at this time but the total amount will not exceed the total of \$1.1M. These costs are unbudgeted in the Water Fund. However, it is expected that these costs can be absorbed within the Water Fund, to the extent possible, using projected savings within the Fund. If the project's total costs exceed actual Fund savings, these additional costs will draw from the Water Fund's reserve balance.

 3/4/2020

B. Anatole Falagan Date
Assistant General Manager

 3/4/20

Christopher J. Garner Date
General Manager

Attachment

1 RESOLUTION NO. WD-1422

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF WATER
4 COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
5 APPROVING THE APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES
6 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF
7 RECLAMATION, FOR TITLE XVI CONGRESSIONALLY
8 AUTHORIZED WATER RECLAMATION AND REUSE
9 PROGRAM FUNDING (WATERSMART) FOR EL DORADO
10 DUCK POND PROJECT
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12 WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of
13 Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART Title XVI Program established a framework to provide
14 Federal leadership and assistance to identify and investigate opportunities to reclaim and
15 reuse wastewaters and impaired ground and surface water; and

16 WHEREAS, USBR provides cost-sharing funding on a competitive basis for
17 the planning, design, and construction of water recycling and reuse projects in partnership
18 with local government entities; and

19 WHEREAS, in order for the Long Beach Water Department to receive and
20 expend grant funding, the USBR requires the Board of Water Commissioners to adopt a
21 resolution identifying the official with the legal authority to enter into an agreement with
22 USBR, and authorize the official to commit the Long Beach Water Department to the
23 financial and legal obligations associated with receipt of WaterSMART Title XVI Grant
24 financial assistance;

25 NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long
26 Beach resolves as follows:

27 Section 1. Approves and supports the filing of an application with the
28 Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation for Title XVI Grant (WaterSMART)

1 funding related to water recycling and reuse projects and further authorizes the
2 expenditure of funds or in-kind contributions by the Long Beach Water Department as
3 specified in the funding plan.

4 Section 2. Appoints the General Manager as agent of the Applicant to
5 conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited
6 to, applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, and compliance with all
7 applicable laws which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned
8 Project.

9 Section 3. Directs the General Manger to work with the USBR to meet
10 established deadlines for entering into a cooperative agreement.

11 Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
12 by the Board, and the Secretary to the Board shall certify the vote adopting this Resolution.

13 I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Board of Water
14 Commissioners of the City of Long Beach at its meeting on March 12, 2020 by the following
15 vote:

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17 Ayes: Commissioners: _____

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21 Noes: Commissioners: _____

22 Absent: Commissioners: _____

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26 Secretary
27 Board of Water Commissioners