

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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January 19, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California



RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents with the State of California Environmental Protection Agency in association with a \$5,312 amendment to the Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act Grant Agreement with the Department of Health and Human Services Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). This amendment results in a new total grant allocation of \$82,574 and extends the term by fourteen months to May 1, 2011. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On October 13, 2007, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bill 1130 into law. This bill established the California Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act (APSA), which transferred authority for inspecting aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) from the State Water Regional Control Board (SWRCB) and Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) to the local CUPAs. Prior to this bill, businesses with ASTs containing petroleum were charged a permit fee by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWCRB). Since inspections were not conducted by the SWRCB, the funds for this program were directed into the Environmental Protection Trust Fund (EPTF). The EPTF currently amounts to between \$7.5 and \$8.0 million dollars statewide. A portion of the EPTF revenue is used for a California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal-EPA) administered AST training program and the remainder is distributed to the local CUPAs throughout the State.

The grant amount was recently increased by \$5,312 which represents the Long Beach CUPA's share of the remaining allocation of the monies in the Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The grant funds are used by the Long Beach CUPA for staffing, training, supplies and administrative support associated with the implementation of the program.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on January 4, 2010 and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on December 30, 2009.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on January 19, 2010, in order to return the executed agreement to the California Environmental Protection Agency by the due date.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the augmentation is \$5,312. Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the CUPA Fund (SR 131), and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). There is no City match, and no fiscal impact to the General Fund

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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