CITY OF LONG BEACH





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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to accept funds from Leonardo Technologies, Inc., (LTI) in the amount of \$20,000, to be used for promoting the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Clean Cities Program (Program) during the program year ending October 31, 2010, execute all related documents, and increase appropriations in the Fleet Fund (IS 386) in the Department of Public Works (PW) by \$20,000. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The DOE's Clean Cities Program is a voluntary, locally-based government and industry partnership to mobilize stakeholders in the effort to advance the energy, economic, and environmental security of the United States, by supporting local decisions to adopt practices that reduce the use of petroleum in the transportation sector, thereby reducing our dependence on imported petroleum. This is accomplished through the deployment of alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs), deployment of hybrid electric vehicles, idle reduction technologies, fuel economy measures, low-level fuel blends and building local AFV refueling infrastructure. The City of Long Beach entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the DOE committing to work toward achieving the Program's goals and objectives, and was designated a Clean Cities Coalition on August 31, 1994.

Through DOE's efforts, LTI has allocated funding in the amount of \$20,000 to the City of Long Beach, to aid efforts in promoting the DOE's Clean Cities Program.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson on April 8, 2010, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on April 15, 2010.

SUSTAINABILITY

The Program strives to advance the nation's economic, environmental and energy security by supporting local governments, private fleets and the general public in their efforts to reduce petroleum consumption and reliance upon imported petroleum. The City of Long Beach participates through the acquisition and deployment of AFVs and hybrids into its fleet. The AFVs are fuel-efficient, displace petroleum usage and additionally lower harmful emissions to achieve improved air quality standards for future generations. The City of Long Beach has acquired 178 alternative fuel and hybrid electric vehicles since 2005 and currently accounts for 18.6 percent of the entire fleet.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on May 04, 2010, to allow the City to accept the funding from Leonardo Technologies, Inc., and enable the City to continue its commitment to promote the goals and objectives of DOE's Clean Cities Program.

FISCAL IMPACT

The available funds are not currently budgeted, therefore an appropriation increase of \$20,000 is requested in the Fleet Services Fund (IS 386) in the Department of Public Works (PW). There is no impact to jobs or the General Fund by this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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