



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute a contract and all necessary amendments, including term extensions, with the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways, to receive and expend the 2013 Boating Safety and Enforcement Equipment Grant for the purchase of equipment; and increase appropriations in the Marina Fund (TF 403) in the Fire Department (FD) by \$55,525. (Districts 2,3)

The State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways (DBAW) Boating Safety and Enforcement Equipment Grant Program provides resources to purchase equipment for boating safety programs. The grant requires that all equipment purchased is for the sole use of the boating safety unit, in this case, the Long Beach Fire Department's Marine Safety Division. Since 1999, the City of Long Beach has been awarded grants from the DBAW totaling \$431,000. These funds have been used for a variety of items including dive equipment and replacement engines for rescue boats. The current grant award of \$55,525 will allow the purchase of boating safety equipment including two personal watercraft with trailers and an inflatable rescue boat with an outboard engine. The grant funding will allow the purchase of this vital boating safety equipment, which will enhance the Marine Safety Division's high-level boating safety program, without utilizing City funds.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on August 23, 2012 and Budget Officer Victoria Bell on September 4, 2012.

City Council action on this matter is requested on October 16, 2012, to ensure the City can promptly begin to expend these grant funds.

The City will receive grant revenues of \$55,525 to offset expenditures of the same amount. As these funds are currently not budgeted an appropriation increase is requested in the Marina Fund (TF 403) and in the Fire Department (FD). Operating costs, maintenance, and replacement costs for this equipment will be absorbed, as needed, from the department's existing budget. There is no match requirement for this grant, and no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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FIRE CHIEF

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER