

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an Agreement, including subsequent amendments, with the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority, for the installation of monitoring equipment and ongoing monitoring, as required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, for the Dominguez Channel and the Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters Toxic Pollutants Total Maximum Daily Loads, for an amount not to exceed \$23,580, over a five-year term. (Districts 1,2)

The City of Long Beach (City) is subject to waste discharge requirements for its Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) under Order No. R4-2014-0024, National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CAS004003. The 1972 Clean Water Act (CWA) established the NPDES Program to regulate the discharge of pollutants to waters in the United States. The CWA requires water bodies that do not meet water quality standards be placed on an impaired water body list called the Section 303(d) list. For each water body on the list, the State is required to establish a total maximum daily load (TMDL) for each pollutant impairing the water quality standards and are the basis to establish control of the water quality. A portion of the City's storm water drains into the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers, which are on the Section 303(d) list.

The City previously entered into an agreement with the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA) for cost-sharing for the installation of monitoring equipment and monitoring pursuant to the Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL for the term of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018. The City would like to continue this arrangement by entering into a new Agreement from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023. Cities participating in the cost-sharing of monitoring Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL, include: Alhambra, Arcadia, Artesia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Bell, Bellflower, Bell Gardens, Bradbury, Burbank, Calabasas, Cerritos, Claremont, Commerce, Covina, Cudahy, Diamond Bar, Downey, Duarte, El Monte, Glendale, Glendora, Hawaiian Gardens, Hidden Hills, Huntington Park, Industry, Irwindale, La Canada Flintridge, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, La Puente, La Verne, Lakewood, Los Angeles, Lynwood, Maywood, Monrovia, Montebello, Monterey Park, Norwalk, Paramount, Pasadena, Pico Rivera, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Fernando, San Gabriel, San Marino, Santa Fe Springs, Sierra Madre, Signal Hill, South El Monte, South Gate, South Pasadena, Temple City, Vernon, Walnut, West Covina, Whittier, Los Angeles County Unincorporated, and Los Angeles County Flood Control District. The total GWMA cost for all participating cities over the five-year program is allocated between these cities.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on June 21, 2018 and by

Budget Analysis Officer Julissa Jose-Murray on June 22, 2018.

City Council action is requested on July 10, 2018, to ensure the Agreement is in place expeditiously.

The City's total cost of this Agreement is \$23,580 over a five-year term, including a 3 percent administrative cost and a 10 percent contingency. Sufficient funding to support the City's annual participation cost, in the amount of \$4,716, is budgeted in the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

CRAIG A. BECK DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER