

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a donation agreement with Care Closet LBC, Inc., of Long Beach, CA, for the donation of a 2005 General Motors Company (GMC) Sierra half-ton pickup truck, formerly used by the Health and Human Services Department, with an estimated value of \$2,750, to assist with cleanup and trash removal efforts at homeless encampment sites. (Citywide)

Levine Act: Yes

City Council approval is requested to execute a donation agreement with Care Closet LBC, Inc. (Care Closet), for the donation of a used 2005 GMC Sierra half-ton pickup truck to assist with the removal of trash and other debris from homeless encampment sites (encampments). This vehicle is at the end of its economically optimal life and has already been retired by the Financial Management Department.

The City has been working to provide outreach and stabilization services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. As a volunteer organization and nonprofit, Care Closet provides cleanup and trash removal at encampments within Long Beach with consent from the persons living within those encampments. To date, Care Closet has directly assisted with the removal of 500 tons, or 1,000,000 pounds, of trash. Care Closet continues to identify ways to provide support to persons and families experiencing homelessness. The donated pickup truck would be especially helpful in collecting and disposing of debris and assisting with such efforts.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on June 5, 2023 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on June 22, 2023.

LEVINE ACT

This item is subject to the Levine Act. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners who have received a contribution of more than \$250 within 12 months prior from a party, participant, or their representatives involved in this proceeding may do either of the following: (1) disclose the contribution on the record and recuse themselves from this proceeding; OR (2) return the portion of the contribution that exceeds \$250 within 30 days from the time the elected official knew or should have known about the contribution and participate in the proceeding.

All parties, participants, and their representatives must disclose on the record of this

proceeding any contribution of more than \$250 made to the Mayor or any Councilmembers within 12 months prior to the date of the proceeding. The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Commissioners are prohibited from accepting, soliciting, or directing a contribution of more than \$250 from a party, participant, or their representatives during a proceeding and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered.

City Council action is requested on July 11, 2023, to ensure the donation of the vehicle can take place expeditiously.

The vehicle has a resale value of approximately \$2,750. If this unit were sold at auction, the salvage revenue would accrue to the Fleet Services Fund Group in the Financial Management Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

KEVIN RIPER DIRECTOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA CITY MANAGER