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August 24, 2021

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments including amending the amount of the award, with the California Office of Traffic Safety, to accept and expend grant funding in the amount of \$302,500, for the continuation of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Initiative (Walk and Roll Long Beach), for a one-year period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, with the option to extend the agreement for three additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into an agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to accept and expend grant funding in the amount of \$302,500, for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, for the continuation of the Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) "Walk and Roll Long Beach" Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Initiative (Initiative).

The Health Department will use OTS funding to promote pedestrian and bicycle safety at community events, offer free in-person and/or virtual pedestrian and bicycle safety workshops, conduct in-person and/or virtual pedestrian safety courses for older adults, encourage safe driving, and increase awareness on how to safely interact with new City infrastructure designed to promote safe walking and cycling. The Initiative builds upon an OTS-funded program initially implemented October 1, 2016.

The Initiative is in line with the City's Mobility Element and Healthy Communities Policy, where walking and bicycling are encouraged as a form of transportation and physical activity. The Initiative also helps achieve the goal of reducing bike and pedestrian-related injuries and deaths identified in the recently adopted Long Beach Safe Streets (Vision Zero) Initiative.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on July 28, 2021 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on August 6, 2021.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 24, 2021 to continue to provide these services without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive funding in the amount of \$302,500 for a one-year period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. Appropriation in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset by grant revenue, is included in the FY 22 Budget adoption process. There is no match or in-kind service mandate required. 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.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER