

CITY OF LONG BEACH C-14

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

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July 24, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all documents with the County of Los Angeles to receive funds totaling \$133,000 to operate a Summer Youth Employment Program that will assist approximately 96 youth ages 14-21; to increase appropriations in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Human Resources by \$93,100; and to execute any needed subsequent amendments. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In June of last year, the Los Angeles County of Board of Supervisors authorized funding for the seven Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Boards and other Service Providers to facilitate the 2011 summer youth employment opportunities for qualifying youth. The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is designed to provide paid work experience opportunities and work readiness skills to qualified youth. Eligible youth may work an average of 100 hours during the summer months, while earning skills, experience and wages. The County recently notified Pacific Gateway that it is to receive a contract for \$133,000 to serve approximately 96 eligible youth for the 2012 SYEP. Eligible populations will include youth from low-income families and those connected to the probation, foster and/or public assistance systems, with a majority being recipients of cash aid under California Work Opportunity & Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs).

The County will help facilitate youth outreach, deploying an automated database solution for Pacific Gateway to utilize for enrollments. Pacific Gateway will lead work site development efforts across its four cities, and will be responsible for work readiness training, quality assurance oversight, payroll, and case management of the trainees.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on July 3, 2012 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on July 5, 2012.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on July 24, 2012, in order to facilitate processing of required documents.

FISCAL IMPACT

Only \$39,900 for SYEP is currently budgeted. Therefore, an appropriation increase of \$93,100 in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Human Resources is requested as part of the recommended action. There is no impact to the General Fund. Approval of this item will result in placement of approximately 96 youth into temporary employment.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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