



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

R-13

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November 10, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements with the State of California to receive \$400,000 in Assembly Bill 118 funds and \$100,000 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds, for a total of \$500,000, to implement a local Clean Energy Workforce Training Program; to execute a contract with Long Beach Community College District in the amount of \$390,000 to provide training services; and to execute any subsequent needed amendments. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Workforce Investment Network (Network) submitted a grant proposal with the LB Community College District totaling \$500,000 to the State's Labor and Workforce Development Agency and the California Energy Commission to implement a program that prepares eligible individuals for entry-level employment as green vehicle service technicians and enhances the skills of incumbent workers to progress from diesel mechanics to CNG/LNG mechanics.

The Network's proposal was one of six projects funded under the category of Alternative and Renewable Fuel or Vehicle Technologies, and will receive \$500,000 to implement the Pacific Gateway Green Vehicle Technician Training Program that will target services to 210 persons across four distinct segments of the Network's customer base: low-skilled, unemployed residents; recently dislocated workers with transferable skills; recently returned veterans; and incumbent (existing) workers in the industry.

The Green Vehicle Technician Training Program is a partnership, linking activities and resources with educational institutions, community-based/nonprofit agencies, and numerous employers in the region. The local partners will create a seamless system of service delivery for the participating customers, complementing the services available at the Network's career centers in Long Beach, Torrance, and Los Angeles.

The Network will contract with Long Beach Community College District in the amount of \$390,000 to provide all segments of training components and assist with training internships. The Network will use the remaining \$110,000 for placement, grant oversight and management activities.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on October 21, 2009 and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on October 23, 2009.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 10, 2009 in order to facilitate processing of required documents.

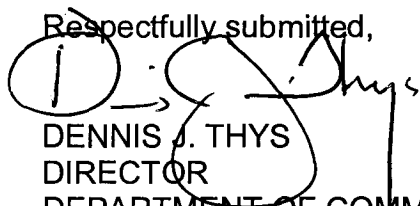
FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD). There is no impact to the General Fund.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DENNIS J. THYS
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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APPROVED:

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PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER