



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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January 13, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to apply to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for the 2008-2009 Local Government Waste and Tire Cleanup Amnesty Event Grant, to accept the grant funds and execute all documents necessary to implement the program, utilizing the previously adopted five-year Resolution No. RES-06-0020. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Public Works, Environmental Services Bureau (ESB) collects and recycles waste tires from both residents and illegal dump sites. This grant would supplement existing resources to help ESB expand the tire cleanup program to collect more tires and reduce litter in the City of Long Beach. The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) has grant funds available to expand programs to recycle waste tires. A five-year resolution authorizing the grant application was approved in 2006.

If the City's grant request is approved, funds would be used to conduct two waste tire collection amnesty events during this one-year grant term. In conjunction with these amnesty events, illegally dumped tires will also be collected for recycling.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy Burton on December 24, 2008 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on December 23, 2008.

SUSTAINABILITY

The City of Long Beach reported a 69 percent waste diversion rate for calendar year 2006. We are currently awaiting certification of this figure from the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB). In addition to ensuring that used tires are properly disposed of and recycled, these efforts can help to keep the City of Long Beach litter free.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested by January 13, 2009 in order to submit the grant application to CIWMB before the February 9, 2009 deadline.

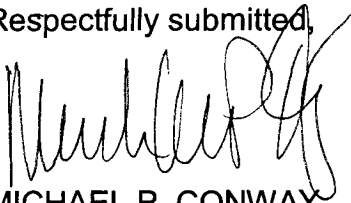
FISCAL IMPACT

The City of Long Beach is requesting approximately \$75,000 to fund a tire-recycling program. This amount will be deposited in the Refuse/Recycling Fund (EF 330) in the Department of Public Works (PW).

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:


PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER