



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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C-13

August 3, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all documents, and any subsequent amendments thereto, with the State of California to accept \$42,777 in Federal Workforce Investment Act funds as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; to execute an agreement with Long Beach Community College District in the amount of \$28,000 to provide training services; and increase appropriations in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD) by \$42,777. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Workforce Investment Network (Network) administers the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and other employment and training funds received annually by the City. Those funds support job training programs and business services delivered by the Career Transition Center, Youth Opportunity Center, Center for Working Families, Harbor WorkSource Center, and selected community-based organizations to assist local residents acquire skills leading to employment in high demand occupations with local employers.

On November 10, 2009, the City Council authorized the acceptance of a \$500,000 grant for training and placement services for approximately 180 incumbents, and 25 unemployed job seekers in the automotive service technician and natural gas mechanic career pathways. The grant deliverable of the 25 new trainees was later determined to be incompatible with regulations of the Assembly Bill 118 grant money received. To ensure uninterrupted services supporting the ensuing 28 trainees, the State has awarded \$42,777 to the Network to cover the actual costs of that project deliverable. The Network will contract \$28,000 of those grant funds to the Long Beach Community College District for tuition and related expenses, and will use \$14,777 for project administration and related career counseling expenses.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney, Gary J. Anderson on July 13, 2010 and by Budget Management Officer, Victoria Bell on July 16, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 3, 2010 in order to facilitate the processing of required documents.

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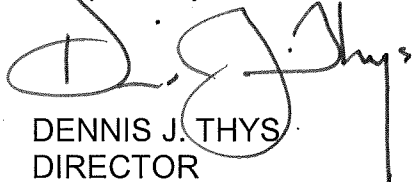
FISCAL IMPACT

The receipt of grant funds is not currently budgeted. Therefore, an appropriation increase of \$42,777 in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD) is requested as part of the recommended action. There is no impact to the General Fund. Approval of this recommendation will result in job training, employment preparation, and placement services of approximately 28 individuals.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.


Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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APPROVED:



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CITY MANAGER