



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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October 16, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Community Development Advisory Commission funding recommendations for Fiscal Year 2012 Neighborhood Partners Program to support eight neighborhood beautification and improvement projects in the amount of \$37,939. (Districts 1, 2, 4, 6 and 9)

DISCUSSION

The Neighborhood Partners Program (NPP) is a competitive grant for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds offered by the Department of Development Services to assist neighborhood and community groups with neighborhood beautification and improvement projects. Eligible groups must be formally established organizations with designated officers or representatives and have a history of neighborhood involvement. The NPP provides matching grants of up to \$5,000 in goods and services to accomplish neighborhood improvement projects within CDBG eligible neighborhoods. The match provided by the applicant must be equal to at least 50 percent of the total project cost and may be supplied in the form of cash, goods and services, and volunteer work hours.

Notices of funding availability were sent to over 95 community groups and neighborhood associations within CDBG eligible neighborhoods on June 1, 2012. Eight proposals were received.

A committee (Committee) of the Community Development Advisory Commission (CDAC) reviewed eight proposals. The Committee reviewed and ranked each application based upon pre-established criteria that emphasized beautification or bricks and mortar neighborhood improvement projects. The Committee recommended funding for all eight proposals totaling \$37,939, and at the September 19, 2012 CDAC meeting, the Committee recommendation was approved (Attachment).

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on September 24, 2012 and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 26, 2012.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds to support the Neighborhood Partners Program have been budgeted in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Development Services (DV). There is no local job impact as a result of this recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

f Respectfully submitted,


AMY J. BODEK, AICP
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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NPP FY12, Round 2 v4

Attachment: NPP Funding Recommendations FY12, Round 2

APPROVED:


PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER

NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS PROGRAM - FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Fiscal Year: 2012 Round: 2

as approved by the Community Development Advisory Commission on September 19, 2012

Association Name	Project Location	Project Description	\$ Requested	\$ Approved	CD
Grant Neighborhood Association 1315 Hungerford St Long Beach, CA 90805	Cherry Ave., between South St & Artesia Blvd.	Plant 56 trees along Cherry Ave between South St. & Artesia Blvd.	\$4,942.00	\$4,942.00	9
Green Long Beach 946 Chestnut Ave Long Beach, CA 90813	Edison Child Development Center, southwest corner of 7th St & Daisy Ave.	Install playground equipment.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	1
On Broadway Busin Assoc.- Falcon 3519 E Broadway Long Beach, CA 90802	1401, 1424 & 1431 E. Broadway	Install 3 vertical gardens throughout the Broadway and Falcon Ave. neighborhood.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	2
South Wrigley Neigh Advisory Com 16325 PO Box Long Beach, CA 90806	Pacific Ave., north of Pacific Coast Hwy. in center street median.	Install a monument sign on the center median.	\$4,998.44	\$4,998.44	6
West East Side Community Assoc. 1341 Gladys Ave Long Beach, CA 90804	Orizaba Park, 1433 Orizaba Ave.	Install 3 park benches, picnic area with grape arbor & decomposed granite in garden area.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	4
Willmore City Heritage Assoc. 688 PO Box Long Beach, CA 90801	Cesar Chavez Park, 401 Golden Ave.	Expand the amphitheater stage, build a short retaining wall, add shade sails and border plants.	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	1
Willmore City Heritage Assoc. 688 PO Box Long Beach, CA 90801	Cesar Chavez Park, 401 Golden Ave.	Clear area at the park to build ADA accessible vegetable and flower beds.	\$5,000.00	\$4,001.00	1
Wrigley Assoc. 16192 PO Box Long Beach, CA 90806	Pacific Ave., south of Willow St. in center median	Install monument sign in center median on Pacific Ave.	\$4,998.48	\$4,998.48	6

TOTALS: (8) \$39,938.92 \$37,939.92