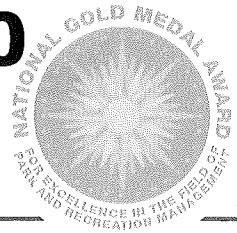




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RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach, to provide public service conservation work for youth on City of Long Beach property for a term of five years, with one, five-year renewal option at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB) provides job training, on-the-job training, and environmental education to youth through various conservation and improvement projects. The CCLB mission is "to raise self-esteem, develop basic work skills, work ethics, education and promote teamwork for Long Beach area at-risk youth through a combination of work, conservation, and education programs." For each of the last 23 years, the CCLB has hired more than 200 at-risk youth to work on projects for local cities, county agencies, and nonprofit agencies in the greater Long Beach area. The CCLB recruits and employs 18 to 25-year old adults and trains them to carry out job duties to complete a variety of CCLB projects, primarily in habitat and park restoration and recycling.

The proposed agreement will renew the working relationship between the City of Long Beach (City) and the CCLB for a term of five years, with one additional five-year renewal option. City projects will be selected by mutual agreement between the City and the CCLB. All projects will be coordinated by the City Manager or his designee and the Executive Director of the CCLB. The CCLB shall purchase and maintain all applicable insurance, as required by the City's Risk Manager.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on February 8, 2012, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 9, 2012.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on March 6, 2012, in order to execute the agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach in a timely manner.

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FISCAL IMPACT

There is no cost to the City to enter into the agreement. However, the City will reimburse the Conservation Corps of Long Beach for the cost of individual projects upon completion. All City projects will be authorized within the funding levels available in the City's annual budget. The recommended action may result in a positive impact on jobs. While there are no jobs directly associated with this overarching agreement, as projects are initiated, youth will be employed, and job skills learned by youth while in the program may lead to future employment.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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