

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

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CITY MANAGERS OFFICE

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November 17, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution in support of and authorizing an application to the State of California Energy Commission's State Energy Program Grant for the Municipal and Commercial Building Targeted Measure Retrofit Program. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

On October 8, 2009, the State of California Energy Commission announced the availability of up to \$20 million per year in grant funds for the State Energy Program Projects. Funds will be made available for the period beginning February 1, 2010 and ending March 31, 2012. Grant awards, following a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, may be funded with a range of \$2 million (minimum) to \$20 million (maximum) per grant award. Eligible applicants include public, nonprofit or private organizations and the applicant is expected to partner with public and/or private entities to implement the program. The City of Long Beach is currently pursuing this and other energy-efficiency grants, making energy-efficiency retrofits to municipal buildings possible and saving money on the City's energy bills.

The grant is designed to provide funding for energy efficiency retrofits of nonresidential buildings and the energy consuming processes within these buildings, while providing jobs and training for entry-level workers and/or professional tradespeople. The grant funds will be used to supplement existing efficiency municipal retrofit programs provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009 (ARRA) through the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant program (EECBG). The grant application is due to the State by November 30, 2009. Should the City receive the grant, implementation would commence February 1, 2010 and would end March 31, 2012.

This item was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on November 9, 2009 and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on November 9, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 17, 2009 in order to include a copy of the Resolution in the grant application, which is due November 30, 2009.

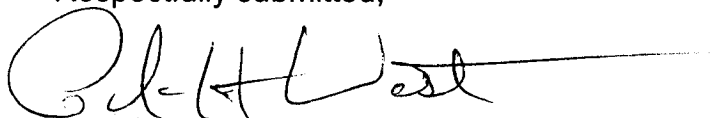
FISCAL IMPACT

Currently there is no fiscal impact associated with the approval of this recommendation. If awarded, an appropriations increase will be requested as part of the quarterly appropriations process. There will be no City match associated with this grant and leveraged dollars are possible as a part of the City's Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant program (EECBG) funding.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick H. West", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER

Attachment

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF AND AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION'S STATE ENERGY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE MUNICIPAL AND COMMERCIAL BUILDING TARGETED MEASURE RETROFIT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach recognizes that it is in the interest of the regional, state, and national economy to stimulate the economy; create and retain jobs; reduce fossil fuel emissions; and reduce total energy usage and improve energy efficiency within our jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant ("EECBG") funds are available through the California Energy Commission's EECBG Program for grants to eligible local governments for cost-effective energy efficiency projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach is eligible for EECBG funding under the California Energy Commission's EECBG Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach is proposing to implement the energy efficiency project(s) described in Exhibit "A" in order to qualify for EECBG funds from the California Energy Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") to the approval of the energy efficiency project(s) described in Exhibit "A";

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City of Long Beach finds that the approval of the energy

1 efficiency project(s) described in Exhibit "A" is a project under CEQA that is exempt under  
2 Group A-7b, because the work or project activities do NOT involve new building or  
3 facilities construction and site preparation activities.

4 Section 2. The City of Long Beach supports and authorizes the submittal  
5 of the application to the California Energy Commission's EECBG Program for funds to  
6 execute the proposed project described in Exhibit "A".

7 Section 3. The City Manager of the City of Long Beach is hereby  
8 authorized and directed to apply for and accept funding through submission of an  
9 application to the California Energy Commission's EECBG Program for funds to execute  
10 the proposed project described in Exhibit "A".

11 Section 4. If recommended for funding by the California Energy  
12 Commission, the City Council authorizes the City of Long Beach to accept a grant award  
13 up to the amount of this application for twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000), and that the  
14 City Manager of the City of Long Beach is hereby authorized and empowered to execute  
15 all necessary contracts and agreements, and amendments hereto, to implement and  
16 carry out the purposes specified in the application.

17 Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption  
18 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Noes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Absent: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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## EXHIBIT "A"

### PROPOSAL PURPOSE

The City of Long Beach Municipal Energy Efficiency Building Retrofits aims to leverage the City's \$3.8 million Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (EECBG) funds with the \$20 million Municipal and Commercial Building Targeted Measure Retrofit Program (MCR) to complete municipal energy efficiency retrofits while partnering with Long Beach City College, the Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network to create a training and green job program that will facilitate the construction-ready retrofits.

### PROPOSED GOALS & OBJECTIVES

The objective of the proposal is to implement energy efficiency retrofits for the City of Long Beach

- Achieve significant energy savings and greenhouse gas emission reductions from targeted retrofit measures and best practices in Long Beach municipal buildings;
- Develop partnerships with local colleges/universities, workforce development agencies, the local electric utility and State IOUs and POUs to create training opportunities for entry level workers and professional tradespeople in Long Beach, an economically depressed area of California, with a focus on construction and related technical trades;
- Create green jobs by conducting on-site energy audits for measure suitability and potential energy saving and to complete retrofit installations;
- Complement and enhance Long Beach's construction-ready energy efficiency retrofits and extend the City's ability to transform markets in line with California's Long Term Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan; and
- Create lasting changes by maximizing and leveraging EECBG funds and other incentives to ensure continued retrofits past the term of the ARRA funding.

### PROPOSED EFFICIENCY MEASURES

The low risk, high return energy-efficiency targeted measures (and associated markets) proposed include municipal building lighting, cool roofs, HVAC equipment and controls, server virtualization, technology and hardware upgrades and weatherization.