



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

# C-24

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February 20, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to accept, administer and expend Safe Routes to Schools Program Grant Funds; and increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Public Works (PW) by \$618,300. (Districts 6 and 1)

### DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach has been awarded two grants through the Sixth Cycle of the 2003 Safe Routes to Schools Program, which is administered by Caltrans using state and federal funds and is reserved for projects that protect the safety of children traveling to and from school. These grants will be used to 1) install a traffic signal, crosswalks, pavement markings and signs at Atlantic Avenue and 15<sup>th</sup> Street in the area of Roosevelt Elementary School and Poly High School (Roosevelt Project); and 2) install a traffic signal and bike path, and realign the intersection of Walnut Avenue, 20<sup>th</sup> Street, and Alamitos Avenue in the area of Butler, Alvarado, Signal Hill, and Whittier Elementary Schools, and the Long Beach City College Pacific Coast Campus (Butler Project).

The City collaborates with the Long Beach Unified School District to identify needed safety improvements at elementary, middle and high schools citywide. Several applications were submitted for funding consideration, but only these two Long Beach projects were selected by Caltrans for funding in this cycle.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Lori A. Conway on February 5, 2007, and Performance Management and Budget Bureau Manager David Wodynski on February 12, 2007.

### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on February 20, 2007, to accept the funds and begin implementation of these projects.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Project costs are estimated at \$187,000 for the Roosevelt Project, of which 90 percent (or \$168,300) will be covered by grant funds; and \$775,500 for the Butler Project, of which 58 percent (or \$450,000) will be covered by grant funds. Sufficient funds are budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Public Works (PW) for the remainder of the project costs. Since the \$618,300 in grant funding is currently unbudgeted, an appropriation increase is included in the recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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