



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement and any subsequent amendments between the City of Long Beach and the California Department of Food and Agriculture to accept 2009 Municipal Spay-Neuter Grant Fund Program funding in the amount of \$10,028, to supplement existing spay-neuter services and programs for the 2010 calendar year. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The California State Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has awarded the City of Long Beach, through the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department), a \$10,028 grant for the for the 2010 calendar year, to supplement the City's existing spay-neuter program.

The purpose of the Municipal Shelter Spay-Neuter Fund (Spay-Neuter Program) is to provide grant funds to eligible municipal animal shelters. An "eligible municipal shelter" is defined by the legislation enacting this fund as a city or county animal control agency or shelter that is current on its reporting requirements to the State Department of Public Health, Veterinary Public Health Section, and offers low-cost or free spay and neuter services for dogs and cats owned by individual members of the public. Currently, the City provides \$50 spay-neuter vouchers to offset the costs of spay and neuter procedures at sixteen local private veterinary hospitals. Impounded animals do not qualify for services.

The grant funds must supplement, not replace, other funding sources and will be utilized in calendar year 2010 to provide an additional 200 spay-neuter vouchers to residents, and paid to local private veterinarians who are licensed to perform the spay-neuter procedures.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on June 3, 2010 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on June 11, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is not time critical.

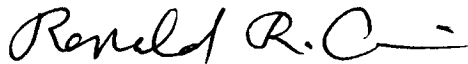
FISCAL IMPACT

This supplemental funding from the CDFA in the amount of \$10,028, will supplement our existing program, and cannot be used to replace other sources of funding. Sufficient appropriations currently exist in the General Fund (GP) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). The requested action will result in an increase in revenue to the General Fund. There is no City match, and no net impact to jobs associated with this recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER