

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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October 5, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement with Public Corporation for the Arts of the City of Long Beach, Inc., a California Nonprofit Corporation, doing business as Arts Council of Long Beach, in the amount of \$354,300 to fund arts and cultural activities for a period of one year. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The City annually enters into an agreement with Public Corporation for the Arts of the City of Long Beach, Inc., a California Nonprofit Corporation, doing business as the Arts Council of Long Beach (Arts Council), to administer City funding for the promotion and development of community-oriented cultural activities and artistic programs. The cultural and artistic programs help bring the diverse Long Beach community together and enhance civic pride. Through this funding from the City, the Arts Council has provided financial support and assistance to over 100 local arts organizations and more than 1,000 area artists, with the objective of making arts and culture available to all residents of Long Beach.

On September 14, 2010, the City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2011 (FY 11) Budget, which includes a \$15,700 reduction to the Arts Council Agreement, leaving \$354,300 in appropriation for the programs. Therefore, City Council approval is requested to enter into a one-year agreement with the Arts Council in the amount of \$354,300. In FY 11, the Arts Council will utilize the City's assistance to fund a community arts grant program in the amount of \$189,800. The remaining amount of \$164,500 will be used to fund general operations of the Arts Council such as personnel and marketing assistance, in addition to coordination and fundraising for 2011 activities. The appropriation represents a reduction of 4.24 percent in funding compared to FY 10.

This matter was reviewed by Principal Deputy City Attorney Charles Parkin on September 16, 2010, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 17, 2010.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 5, 2010, to proceed with the Agreement with the Arts Council.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the one-year agreement is \$354,300 and is budgeted in the Special Advertising and Promotion Fund (SR 133) and in the General Fund (GP) in the City Manager Department (CM). There is no job impact associated with this request.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER

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