



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary agreements and any subsequent amendments with the California Department of Housing and Community Development, for the 2017 California Emergency Solutions Grant Program, in the amount of \$273,074, for the period of November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018; execute all necessary documents and agreements with partner agencies; and

Adopt resolution setting forth the City of Long Beach as a State Emergency Solutions Grant Administrative Entity and designating the person responsible for executing all documents related to the application of Emergency Solutions Grant funds. (Citywide)

The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) administers the California Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, which funds activities eligible under the Federal ESG Program, including rapidly rehousing individuals and families, and preventing families and individuals from becoming homeless. The HCD has established a dedicated Continuum of Care Allocation available for California communities that are able to be administered locally through an Administrative Entity (AE) of State ESG funds. The City of Long Beach was recently designated by HCD as an AE of State ESG funds for a Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention Project (Project), which is critical to meeting the diverse needs of those served through the Long Beach Continuum of Care (CoC).

The Health Department released a Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 13, 2017 to select a non-profit agency for the Project. The proposal review process was conducted by an ad hoc Proposal Review Committee, comprised of three Homeless Services Advisory Committee members. One Project proposal was selected for funding in the amount of \$176,780. The total 2017 State ESG allocation from HCD amounts to \$273,074 for the period of November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018, which includes \$96,294 for programmatic and administrative support for Health Department staff to manage the State ESG Program (Attachment A). The HCD requires an Authorizing Resolution from the City's governing board, which includes specific language from which the attached Resolution was drafted. The Authorizing Resolution is hereby submitted for City Council review and approval.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on May 3, 2017 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on May 9, 2017.

City Council action is requested on June 6, 2017, to meet the State deadline to adopt the Resolution, and begin contracting for the 2017 State ESG, which starts approximately on November 1, 2017.

The 2017 State ESG Program allocation for the Project totals \$176,780, with an additional \$96,294 available for Health Department programmatic and administrative support. An appropriation increase will be requested as part of the FY 18 budget process. No City match or in-kind service mandate is required. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation. These funds supplement programs currently operating within the City's CoC system.

Approve recommendation.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE 2017 CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM

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