



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute a contract with the Long Beach Community College District in the amount of \$91,980, to provide services through the Port Opportunities Project for the period of April 1, 2007 through August 30, 2008, and approve any subsequent amendments as needed to complete the contract; and increase appropriations by \$30,000 in the Community Development Grant Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD). (Citywide)

The Workforce Development Bureau (Bureau) and the Long Beach Community College District (District) collaborated with a consortium of community and industry partners to respond to a grant solicitation from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office for an Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative Project (Project). The District subsequently received a grant award of \$587,319 in support of the joint Port Opportunities Grant Project. As part of the grant deliverables, the District is contracting with the Workforce Development Bureau in the amount of \$91,980 to provide employment and job development services to residents by covering the cost of one-half of a full time equivalent of an Employment Specialist within the Bureau.

The Project is designed to prepare logistics workers for careers in supply chain management, expand awareness of career opportunities available through the overall Logistics-Goods Movement Industry, increase the number of trained applicants for local programs, and enhance the basic skills of job seekers. The Project closely ties to the Bureau's recent logistics industry grant from the State, and will target local unemployed and underemployed adult workers and young adults with an interest in the available career opportunities.

This letter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on April 24, 2007 and Budget and Performance Management Manager David Wodynski on May 2, 2007.

City Council action is requested on May 15, 2007 to allow sufficient time to process required documents.

An appropriations increase of \$30,000 is requested in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD). This increase will be offset by revenue from the grant award. The remaining \$61,980 will be budgeted through subsequent FY08 budget processes. There is no impact on the General Fund.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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CITY MANAGER