



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary subsequent amendments, with California Humanities to accept and expend grant funding in an amount up to \$5,000, for a Library Innovation Lab Grant project, for the period ending December 31, 2022; and

Increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund Group in the Library Services Department by \$5,000, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)

The Library Services Department (Library) grant application to California Humanities was approved which provides grant funding for an “Exploring New Ways of Engaging Immigrant Communities” Library Innovation Lab Grant project.

This project provides a “learn by doing” professional development experience for a cohort of programming library staffers over the course of a year. With support from peers, mentors, and consultants, participants will research, plan, implement and assess a new public humanities program to engage a target immigrant population in their community. Hands-on practice and reflection will develop participants’ skills and confidence and advance the mission of California libraries to serve their communities. At the close of the project, the Library will have gained a much greater understanding of the needs of our immigrant communities.

This matter was reviewed by Principal Deputy City Attorney Richard F. Anthony on March 28, 2022 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on March 24, 2022.

City Council action is requested on April 19, 2022, to execute and agreement to receive and expend grant funding by December 31, 2022.

The City of Long Beach (City) will receive grant funding in an amount up to \$5,000 for a Library Innovation Lab Grant project. An appropriation increase of \$5,000 is requested in the General Grants Fund Group in the Library Services Department, offset by grant revenue. The grant has no required match or in-kind service mandate. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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CITY MANAGER