



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary documents, subcontracts, and subsequent amendments, including amendments to the award amount or agreement term, with Pacific Gateway Workforce Partnership, Inc., to accept and expend grant funding in an amount up to \$300,000 as part of the Prologis Community Workforce Initiative - Phase II project, for the period of September 10, 2021, through May 31, 2023. (Citywide)

City Council approval is requested to accept and expend up to \$300,000 from the Pacific Gateway Workforce Partnership, Inc., to manage overall project implementation, including communications, activities and fiscal management as part of the Prologis Community Workforce Initiative (CWI) - Phase II project.

The City of Long Beach (City), through the Pacific Gateway Workforce Innovation Network (Pacific Gateway), partnered with the Pacific Gateway Workforce Partnership, Inc., the non-profit organization, to administer the Prologis Community Workforce Initiative in partnership with Jobs For the Future (JFF). Through this initiative, Pacific Gateway will engage in a range of activities to provide training, coaching, and job placement in the transportation, distribution and logistics industry in support of the project. The activities include:

- Learning Platform Review and Administer Training;
- Regional Mobilization Campaigns and Learner Engagement;
- Completion Support;
- Job Placement;
- Prologis Customer Connections;
- Technical Assistance; and
- Reporting and Data Collection.

Pacific Gateway administers the Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and other employment and training funds received annually by the City. These funds support job training programs and business services delivered by the Workplace, Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center, FutureLB, and selected community-based organizations to assist residents to acquire skills leading to employment in high-demand occupations with local employers.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Monica Kilaita on April 19, 2023 and by Budget Management Officer Nader Kaamouh on April 21, 2023.

City Council action to enter into the contract is requested on May 9, 2023, to ensure the contract is in place expeditiously.

The City will receive grant funding in an amount of \$300,000. There is currently sufficient appropriation in the Community Development Grants Fund Group in the Department of Economic Development. The grant requires a 1:1 in-kind match, which the City will meet through a combination of activities delivered through Workforce grants, including Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) formula grants, Californians For All, and the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation grant. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. Approval of this recommendation will result in employment preparation, training, placement, and retention services for several hundred residents.

Approve recommendation.

BO MARTINEZ
DIRECTOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

APPROVED:

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CITY MANAGER