



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$1,300, offset by the Sixth Council District One-Time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department, to provide contributions of:

- \$800 to Peer Education Community Center to support the restoration of the jackrabbit artwork on the utility box located on Atlantic Avenue and 17th Street;
- \$500 to the Long Beach Branch NAACP to support the 2022 Gala Celebration on September 24, 2022; and

Decrease in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$1,300 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

The jackrabbit artwork on the utility box located on Atlantic Avenue and 17th Street, across the street from Poly High School, reflects the mascot of the school and is of great significance and importance to the surrounding neighborhood. For years residents have requested the jackrabbit utility box to be restored from vandalism. Due to recent redistricting, the utility box is now in the Sixth District and Councilwoman Saro is partnering with Peer Education Community Center (PECC) to restore the artwork on the utility box. PECC is a working 501(c) 3 community-based nonprofit focused on peer-to-peer education and support groups, systemic navigation, industry and community connections, and alternative wellness clinics & harm-reduction spaces advocating for community-led programs, social justice, and systemic and social change.

The Long Beach Branch NAACP 2022 Gala Celebration will be held on September 24, 2022 from 10 AM - 1 PM at The Grand (4101 E Willow St.). The Gala is Long Beach Branch NAACP's major annual fundraiser. Long Beach Branch NAACP has provided services for the Long Beach community for over 82 years. These services are provided to low income, disadvantaged, and underserved people of Long Beach. Proceeds support Long Beach Branch NAACP Stay-in-School, Youth Impact, Scholar Dollars, NAACP Scholarships, the Afro-American, Cultural, Technological Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO), Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Long Beach Branch NAACP COVID-19 Fund, and our Get Aboard the Technology Train Projects. In addition, these funds will help support the branch's operations in such areas as: Wealth Empowerment, Civil Rights Investigation, Senior

Services, Health Disparities, Veterans' Services, Economic Development, Program, Labor and Industry, Environmental Justice Programs, and First Time Home Buyers Program.

This item has been reviewed by Budget Manager Grace H. Yoon on August 31, 2022.

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide funds to support the restoration of the jackrabbit utility box on Atlantic Avenue and 17th Street and Long Beach Branch NAACP 2022 Gala Celebration. The total appropriation increase of \$1,300 in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department will be offset by a decrease of appropriation of Sixth Council District One-Time District Priority Funds in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department. This recommendation is anticipated to require a minimal level of staff hours beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and have a minimal impact on City Council priorities.

STATEMENT OF URGENCY

This urgent item is being submitted through supplemental agenda to allow for timely funds processing.

Approve recommendation.

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