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# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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May 7, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Linda Lowry, City Manager

Submitted by: Meg McWade, Public Works Director

Subject: **Adopt a Resolution Amending the FY 2017-18 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$60,000 of CalRecycle Grant Funds for the Pomona Homeless Encampment Action Response Team (HEART) Project to Provide for Additional California Conservation Corps Work**

## OVERVIEW

**Recommendations** – That the City Council adopt a Resolution amending the FY 2017-18 Pomona Homeless Encampment Action Response Team (HEART) Grant Budget by appropriating \$60,000 to provide for additional California Conservation Corps (CCC) work.

**Fiscal Impact** – The adoption of the Resolution will appropriate \$60,000 of CalRecycle Grant Funds in FY 2017-18 expenditures (within the Miscellaneous Grant Fund 215-2526-XXXX-XXXXXX) to provide for additional California Conservation Corps work as part of the ongoing HEART project. .

**Previous Council Action** – On April 17, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-35 approving a Youth Employment Plan Agreement with California Conservation Corps (CCC) at a cost of \$20 per hour per worker, for work to be completed related to the Pomona Homeless Encampment Action Response Team (HEART) Program; and authorized the City Manager to sign the Sponsorship Agreement (CCC-96) in substantially the form submitted, subject to review by the City Attorney, and all related documents through the grant period ending June 30, 2019.

On February 6, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-11 amending the Fiscal Year Budget by correcting the CalRecycle Grant account number for the HEART Program.

On January 9, 2017, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-1 accepting a \$416,483 CalRecycle Grant and appropriating \$150,130 of the CalRecycle Grant for the HEART Program.

On May 2, 2016, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2016-50, authorizing the City

Manager to execute all grant documents necessary to implement any grant from CalRecycle, which the City determines is in its best interest to pursue.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

CalRecycle approved the City's HEART grant application in the amount of \$416,843 for a three-year grant term - November 14, 2016 through June 30, 2019. The grant allows the City to address clearance of areas where illegal dumping occurs due to homeless encampments. The City has allocated resources, and performed weekend and night runs to provide encampment clean-up in FY 2017-18, including 4,351 hours of work performed to date by the California Conservation Corps (CCC). Adoption of the proposed Resolution will provide an additional appropriation of \$60,000 in HEART grant funds in FY 2018 for CCC to perform approximately 1,750 of additional hours of clearance work.

## **DISCUSSION**

In 2016, the City was awarded a grant from CalRecycle in the amount of \$416,483 under the Illegal Disposal Site and Landfill Cleanup Remediation Grant to address clearance of areas where illegal dumping occurs, impacting property values, public health and safety, causes environmental issues, and degrades the enjoyment and pride in affected communities.

Through the HEART Program, the City entered into a partnership with the CCC for additional assistance to the City's in-house HEART team responsible for illegal dumping and homeless encampment cleanups. The grant supplies additional resources for the City to address the growing number of homeless encampments citywide and provide for brush clearance in various open space areas. The CCC offers additional personnel and equipment to perform this necessary work.

Over the approximately three year grant that expires in June 2019, it is estimated that the CCC will provide up to 7,500 hours at \$20 per person per hour, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 for the intended work. The CCC only bills for the hours required to complete the various cleanups. Since the CCC provides employment training opportunities, California Labor Law, Section 1720.4(c), specifically exempts the CCC from paying state prevailing wages to CCC members when engaged in public works projects. In addition, the CCC is not subject to Federal prevailing wage requirements as set forth in the Davis-Bacon Act (Title 40 USC 276A et seq.), when providing labor on a Federal government contract.

In this Fiscal Year, CCC has provided 4,351 hours of clearance with the current budget. It is estimated that the CCC could provide an additional 1,750 hours for the homeless encampment clean-ups through June 30, 2018. To fund this work, there is a need to appropriate \$60,000 of HEART Grant Funds. With the approved budget amendment, the CCC will continue to perform work in FY 2017-18. The work to be performed in Fiscal Year 2018-19 and related appropriation will be handled through the FY 2018-19 Operating Budget approval process.

Attachment: Resolution

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Provide Additional CCC Work

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