

October 1, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute agreements, and all necessary documents including any necessary amendments, with the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) for the operation of the After School Education and Safety Program at Burbank, Edison, Garfield, Grant, King, Lafayette, and Herrera Elementary school sites, in an amount not to exceed \$1,733,993, for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, and to include any extension periods approved by LBUSD; and authorize a 15 percent in-kind match of \$260,099; and,

Increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund Group in the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department by \$1,733,993, offset by grant revenue. (Districts 1, 2, 7, 9)

DISCUSSION

The After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program was established in 2002 as a collaborative program with the intent of creating partnerships between school districts and local government agencies for the purpose of providing after-school literacy, academic enrichment, and safe constructive alternatives for K-8 students. ASES consists of two program elements: tutoring and/or homework assistance designed to help students meet State standards in core academic subjects, and educational enrichment designed to provide an array of programs that include visual and performing arts, music, and general recreation activities. Funded by the California Department of Education, LBUSD allocates grant funding to the City of Long Beach (City) for the ASES program on an annual basis. The California Department of Education chooses the school sites that meet the criteria for funding. LBUSD, as the grantor, also allocates funding for additional school sites through other contracted service providers at the remaining eligible schools. The Parks, Recreation and Marine Department (PRM) has provided these services for the previous 20 years, with approximately 200,000 student visits each non-COVID grant year.

LBUSD has allocated \$1,733,993 of its grant funding to the City, which will be used for program staffing, supervision, supplies, and administrative assistance from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and to include any extension periods approved by LBUSD. The distribution of funds for each of the seven school sites for this grant year has been identified (Attachment). The grant agreement requires a 15 percent in-kind match equal to \$260,099, which includes facility use, staff time, donations, programs that supplement the after-school program, and a portion of administration costs.

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on August 27, 2024, and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on September 10, 2024.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 1, 2024, to enable the execution of the proposed Reimbursement Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues in an amount not to exceed \$1,733,993 to offset program expenditures of the same amount. An appropriation increase is requested in the General Grants Fund Group in the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department by \$1,733,993, offset by grant revenue. The required 15 percent in-kind match of \$260,099 is budgeted in the General Fund Group in the Parks, Recreation, and Marine Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with the existing City Council priorities. The recommendation will result in a positive impact on jobs. The Parks, Recreation and Marine Department has over 100 part-time employees currently working to facilitate this program.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



Brent Dennis
Director
Parks, Recreation and Marine

Attachment

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER