

Date: June 11, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Vice Mayor Cindy Allen

Subject: Funds Transfers to support community events

RECOMMENDATION

Increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$8,350 by Second Council District One-Time District Priority Funds, transferred from the Citywide Activities Department, to provide contributions of:

- \$5,350 to the LGBTQ Center Long Beach for their annual Black and White Ball on June 15, 2024, and their QFilm Festival from September 5 to September 8, 2024;
- \$500 to the United Cambodian Community for the Second Annual Cambodian Restaurant Week from June 2 through June 9, 2024
- \$2,500 to Love in the Mirror for their Second Annual Long Beach Resource Fair on June 22, 2024; and,

Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$8,350 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

Restate the recommendation approved by the City Council on April 23, to correct the name of the recipient receiving the \$200 donation of Second Council District One-time Priority Funds from Puebilta Tortillas to Sandra Wall.

Restate the recommendation approved by the City Council on April 23, to correct the name of the recipient receiving the \$750 donation of Second Council District One-time Priority Funds from the Burbank Community Team to Long Beach Unified School District.

Restate the recommendation approved by the City Council on April 23, to correct the name of the recipient receiving the \$1,000 donation of Second Council District One-time Priority Funds from Long Beach Disability Pride to Accessible Because Leaders Empower (ABLE) PAC.

DISCUSSION

The LGBTQ Center Long Beach advances equity for LGBTQ people through culturally responsive advocacy, education, programs, and services. The Center envisions fully affirming communities where all LGBTQ people live in health, wellness, safety, and prosperity. The LGBTQ Center provides services centered on the lived experiences of LGBTQ people and approaches their work with a mission-driven, culturally inclusive focus and interactions with clients, community members, volunteers, and staff that are trauma-informed, intersectional, and client-centered. The Black and White Ball will celebrate the achievements of the LGBTQ community of greater Long Beach. The event will be held at the Westin Long Beach on June 15, 2024. All proceeds from the Black & White Ball will support the many programs and services of The Center, the largest publicly supported LGBTQ direct services organization in greater Long Beach, which supports more than 25,000 clients per year. The QFilms Festival, held from September 5 to September 8, 2024, at the historic Art Theatre in Long Beach, is a vital event celebrating LGBTQ+ voices through various independent films, documentaries, and narratives. This festival is crucial in fostering community, cultural expression, and visibility for the LGBTQ+ community. A \$5,350 contribution would help offset the costs of both events.

The United Cambodian Community (UCC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that aims to elevate the Cambodian community by emphasizing service areas such as health equity, youth enrichment, community integration, and economic inclusion. This year, the UCC has partnered with Long Beach Food & Beverage to host the Second Annual Long Beach Cambodian Restaurant Week from June 2 through June 9, 2024. This week-long event celebrates Cambodian culture, cuisine, chefs, and restaurants in Long Beach. A \$500 contribution will support the programming of this event.

Love in the Mirror is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization focused on sharing resources with the less fortunate in the community. They provide opportunities for the youth to help members of their community through different initiatives. On June 22, 2024, they will be holding their Second Annual Long Beach Resource Fair at Long Beach City College. They will provide community distributions such as groceries, shoes, hygiene items, and diapers. A contribution of \$2,500 would cover snacks, beverages, a face painter, a balloon artist, and a DJ for attendees.

This matter has been reviewed by Budget Analyst Joe R. Guerrero on May 29, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide contributions to LGBTQ Center Long Beach, United Cambodian Community, and Love in the Mirror. The total appropriation increase of \$8,350 in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department will be offset by a decrease of appropriation of Second Council District One-time District Priority Funds in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department. The requested action is anticipated to require a minimal level of staff hours beyond the budgeted scope of duties and have a minimal impact on meeting other City Council priorities.

There is no fiscal impact to correct the recipient of the \$200 donation of the Second Council District One-time Priority Funds from Pueblita Tortillas to Sandra Wall. No appropriation is needed as it was approved by City Council on April 23, 2024.

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LEVINE ACT

This item is subject to the Levine Act. City elected and appointed officials, including candidates for City elected office (City Officers), who have received a contribution of more than \$250 within 12 months prior from a party, participant, or their representatives involved in this proceeding may do either of the following: (1) disclose the contribution on the record and recuse themselves from this proceeding; OR (2) return the portion of the contribution that exceeds \$250 within 30 days from the time the elected official knew or should have known about the contribution and participate in the proceeding.

All parties, participants, and their representatives must disclose on the record of this proceeding any contribution of more than \$250 made to the City Officers, such as the Mayor and/or Councilmembers, within 12 months prior to the date of the proceeding. City Officers are prohibited from accepting, soliciting, or directing a contribution of more than \$250 from a party, participant, or their representatives during a proceeding and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered.

SUGGESTED ACTION

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Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cindy Allen", is positioned within a light gray rectangular box.

Cindy Allen, Vice Mayor, Second District