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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Nicholas Williams
Director, OPR

SUBJECT: State Boating and Waterways Grant

DATE: October 13, 2017

City Administrator Approval

Date:

11/1/17

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That City Council Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator To Apply For, Accept And Appropriate Grant Funds From The State of California Department Of Parks And Recreation Division Of Boating And Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program In The Amount Not To Exceed Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000) For The Fiscal Year 2017-18 and 2018-19 Grant Cycle And Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000) For The Fiscal Year 2019-20 and 2020-21 Grant Cycle For Funding For Oakland Parks & Recreation Department Boating Program Equipment, Financial Assistance For Boating Program Participants, Staff Training, And Event Support.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed resolution authorizes the City Administrator to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funding from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant for up to \$190,000 over four years to be used for funding Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) boating program equipment, financial assistance for boating program participants, staff training, and event support. Funds are awarded in two-year grant cycles.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

OPR has been awarded Aquatic Center grant funds for over 15 years and they are vital to on-going boating programs at Lake Merritt. In September 2014, Council previously approved OPR's application, acceptance, and appropriation of State of California Boating & Waterways grant funds through Resolution No. 85175 C.M.S.

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ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

OPR boating programs served 5,069 people in enrolled programs and 19,602 drop-in boat rental customers in Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Grant funding will allow OPR to 1) purchase boating equipment such as new sailboats, safety powerboats, paddles, boat dollies, and life jackets related to youth and adult recreational boating programming used on Lake Merritt and the Oakland Estuary, 2) provide financial assistance for fifth grade students from Title 1 schools in Oakland, youth from Oakland Recreation Centers, and low-income Oakland youth to participate in Parks & Recreation boating programs, 3) fund boating safety training for program staff, and 4) offer a public boating safety event to educate the public about safe boating and showcase the City's boating center.

The State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways distributes funds from the Harbor and Waterways Revolving Fund to enhance boaters' knowledge of boating laws, practical handling of vessels on the water, weather and water conditions, rules of navigation and right of way, equipment requirements and environmental stewardship. The Aquatic Center Grant Program provides grants to public agencies and non-profit organizations that offer on-the-water training programs in order to enhance basic boating safety education. Grant terms allow for funds to be used to purchase vessels and associated boating equipment, provide financial assistance for low-income boating participants, provide safety training for boating staff, and provide public boating safety events.

California Division of Boating and Waterways operates on a two-year grant cycle where second year grant funds, if awarded, are added to existing first year grant contracts.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are received on a reimbursable basis. Funds will be appropriated to the Parks & Recreation Fund (2996), Organization (502350), Accounts to be determined at a later date. The grant provides funding for existing programs and equipment replacement. Therefore, no additional expenses will be incurred.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

This item did not require public outreach.

COORDINATION

This report and legislation have been reviewed by the Office of the City Attorney and the Budget Bureau.

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SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: OPR Part-Time and Permanent Part-Time employees, the majority of whom are Oakland residents, teach the programs funded by financial assistance provided by this grant.

Environmental: OPR boating programs encourage and promote environmental stewardship of the unique aspects of Lake Merritt and the Oakland Estuary Watershed. Programs teach youth and adults about human and wind powered recreation opportunities.

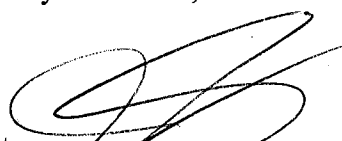
Social Equity: Financial assistance is reserved for Oakland school children attending Title I schools and Oakland youth with financial need. Grant funds will enable underserved Oakland youth the opportunity to participate in and experience exceptional boating programs.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Approve a resolution authorizing the City Administrator to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funds from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program in the amount not to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the Fiscal Year 2017-18 and 2018-19 grant cycle and ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the Fiscal Year 2019-20 and 2020-21 grant cycle for funding for Oakland Parks & Recreation Department boating program equipment, financial assistance for boating program participants, staff training, and event support.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Sarah Herbelin, Recreation Supervisor, at (510) 238-2196.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director, Parks & Recreation Department

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Parks & Recreation Department

Prepared by:
Sarah Herbelin, Recreation Supervisor
Boating, Parks & Recreation Department

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2017 NOV -2 AM 10:04 RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS AQUATIC CENTER GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$95,000) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017/18 – 2018/19 GRANT CYCLE AND NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$95,000) FOR THE 2019/20 – 2020/21 GRANT CYCLE FOR FUNDING FOR OAKLAND PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT BOATING PROGRAM EQUIPMENT, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR BOATING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS, STAFF TRAINING, AND EVENT SUPPORT

WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways provides grants to public agencies that offer on-the-water training programs in order to enhance basic boating safety education; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding may be used to purchase vessels and associated boating equipment, provide financial assistance for low-income boating participants, provide staff boating safety training, and provide a public boating safety event; and

WHEREAS, this grant funding will allow Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR) to 1) purchase boating equipment related to youth and adult recreational boating programming used on Lake Merritt and the Oakland Estuary, 2) provide financial assistance for fifth grade students from Title 1 schools in Oakland, youth from Oakland Recreation Centers, and low-income Oakland youth to participate in Parks & Recreation boating programs, 3) fund boating safety training for program staff, and 4) offer a public boating safety event; and

WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grants are awarded in two year cycles; and

WHEREAS, staff wishes to accept and appropriate funds not to exceed \$190,000 for the FY 2017/18-2018/19 and FY 2019/20-2020/21 grant cycles combined; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funds from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program in an amount not to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the FY 2017/18-2018/19 grant cycle and ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the FY 2019/20-2020/21 grant cycle, for a total grant amount not to exceed \$190,000 over the two grant cycles; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said grant funds will be used for OPR Boating Program equipment, financial assistance for boating program participants, staff training, and event support; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the funds shall be placed in the Oakland Parks & Recreation Fund (2996); Organization (502350); with a Project Account to be determined and that there is no matching funds requirement associated with this grant.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN,
AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California