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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Nicholas Williams
Director

SUBJECT: State Boating and Waterways Grant

DATE: October 21, 2019

City Administrator Approval

Date:

10/31/19

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution To:

- 1) Authorize The City Administrator To Apply For Grant Funds From The State Of California Department Of Parks And Recreation Division Of Boating And Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program; And**
- 2) Accept And Appropriate Said Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$95,000 For The Fiscal Year 2021-22 Through 2022-23 Grant Cycle And \$95,000 For The Fiscal Year 2023-24 Through 2024-25 Grant Cycle For Funding For Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development 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 grant funding from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant, and accept and appropriate said grant funds in an amount up to \$190,000 over four years to be used for funding Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development Department (OPRYD) 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

OPRYD has been awarded Aquatic Center grant funds for over 17 years and these funds are vital to on-going boating programs at Lake Merritt. In September 2014 and November 2017, City Council previously approved OPRYD's application, acceptance, and appropriation of State of California Boating & Waterways grant funds through Resolutions No. 85175 C.M.S. and 86980 C.M.S.

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ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

OPRYD boating programs served 5,001 people in enrolled programs and 11,208 drop-in boat rental customers in Fiscal Year 2018-2019. The proposed grant funding will allow OPRYD 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 OPRYD 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.

Staff recommends that the City Council accept and appropriate these grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 for the fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022 through 2022-2023 grant cycle and \$95,000 for the FY 2023-2024 through 2024-2025 grant cycles, for a total of \$190,000 over the two grant cycles.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant funds are received on a reimbursable basis. Funds will be appropriated to the Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development Department Grant Fund (2996), Boating Organization (502350), Project 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.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: OPRYD 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: OPRYD 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.

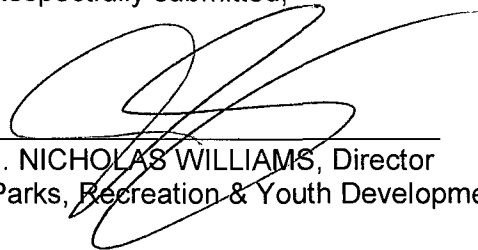
Race & Equity: Financial assistance is reserved for Oakland school children attending Title I schools and Oakland youth with financial need. Grant funds will enable underserved Oakland youth the opportunity to participate in and experience exceptional boating programs.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Adopt a resolution to 1) authorize the City Administrator to apply for grant funds from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program; and 2) accept and appropriate said grant funds in an amount not to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 through 2022-23 grant cycle and ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 through 2024-25 grant cycle for funding for Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development Department boating program equipment, financial assistance for boating program participants, staff training, and event support.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Dana Riley, Assistant Director, at (510) 238-6495.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION TO: 1) AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS AQUATIC CENTER GRANT PROGRAM; AND 2) ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE SAID FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$95,000 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 THROUGH 2022-2023 GRANT CYCLE AND \$95,000 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 THROUGH 2024-2025 GRANT CYCLE FOR FUNDING FOR OAKLAND PARKS, RECREATION & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT 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, 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 recommends that the City Council accept and appropriate funds in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 for the fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022 through 2022-2023 grant cycle and \$95,000 for the FY 2023-2024 through 2024-2025 grant cycles, for a total of \$190,000; and

WHEREAS, City is not required to provide matching funds for this grant funding; and

WHEREAS, this grant funding will allow Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development Department (OPRYD) 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to apply for grant funds from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Division of Boating and Waterways Aquatic Center Grant Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby accepts and appropriates the grant funding in an amount not to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the FY 2021-2022 through FY 2022-2023 grant cycle and ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) for the FY 2023-2024 through FY 2024-2025 grant cycle, for a total grant amount not to exceed \$190,000 over the two grant cycles; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the funds shall be accepted and appropriated in Parks and Recreation Grant Fund (2996), Boating Organization (502350), Project to be determined; and be it

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

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California