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Prepared By: Gil Ramirez Agenda Item No. I-7

Reviewed By: City Manager [Signature] City Attorney [Signature] Finance [Signature] Other (Specify) _____

DATE: April 9, 2009

TO: City Council

FROM: Gil Ramirez, Recreation Superintendent
Recreation and Community Services [Signature]

SUBJECT: Proposal for Funding of the 2009 Summer Jobs for Youth under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) through the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board (WIB) in the total amount of \$945,000.

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee for the City of Oxnard to join with the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Oxnard & Pt. Hueneme (B&GC) and the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) of the Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE), to submit a proposal to the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board (WIB) for the administration and implementation of the 2009 Summer Jobs for Youth for the Cities of Oxnard and Port Hueneme area.
2. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute grant agreements; the Finance Director or designee to submit financial reports and grant claims and approve pertinent special budget appropriations for the use of grant funds.

DISCUSSION

On March 23, 2009, the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board released a Request for Proposal (RFP) in response to the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. The ARRA was passed by Congress and signed by President Obama as part of the economic stimulus effort to address rising levels of unemployment, a serious downturn in business activity and reduced levels of consumption throughout the U.S. economy. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), pursuant to Title 1 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), provides funds for this RFP through the State of California Employment Development Department (EDD). Allocation of funds for these program activities are to be consistent with the language and requirements of the ARRA, the WIA and all applicable implementing regulations or directives of DOL and EDD.

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In response to this RFP and in pursuit of the City of Oxnard's youth development goals as recently reinforced by City Council adoption of the Strategic Action Framework for Empowered and Thriving Youth (SAFETY) Blueprint, city staff worked with area community-based organizations and local education agencies to further strengthen community collaboration through this joint effort. All partners bring into this collaborative established records of performance in youth development through their respective year-round programs involving employment education, service learning, work training and community building activities. They further possess the required accountability systems prescribed by the RFP and stipulated in the ARRA.

Successful procurement of these funds will provide 300-500 summer jobs for two (2) groups of young people in our community: 14-17-year-olds and 18-24-year-olds. The first group will be provided basic work experience and the older group will undergo work activities potentially linked to career pathways. Through this effort, the Oxnard City Corps will work with the city's various departments and programs to provide participant worksites; the B&GC will work with non-city worksites in the community; and the ROP/VCOE will provide additional oversight and training to the program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total amount for the Oxnard/Pt. Hueneme area to be allocated among program partners is \$945,000. As a cost-reimbursement contract, program costs are recoverable with no impact to the general fund.

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Attachment #1 - Resolution on Approval of Grant Submission

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXNARD APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution No.12,053, which sets out the procedure by which City staff may submit grant applications, following approval by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Recreation and Community Services has requested that City Council approve the submittal of an application to the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board and Human Services Agency's Summer Jobs for Youth Services Program for grant funds to establish programs that will provide summer employment opportunities for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) eligible youth, ages 14-24 years old residing in the Oxnard area in order to assist youth to connect with the workforce in ways that enhance their employment experiences to enable them to advance their educational and career options.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves to approve the submittal of a grant application by the City Manager for grant funding from the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board and Human Services Agency.

The City Council further resolves that the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute grant agreements; the Finance Director or designee is authorized to submit financial reports and grant claims and approve special budget appropriations for the use of grant funds; and the Recreation and Community Services' Superintendent or designee is authorized to submit non-financial reports.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 14 day of April, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

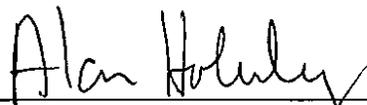
ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alan Holmberg, City Attorney