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Prepared By: Lori Rice  Agenda Item No. _____
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DATE: August 31, 2010

TO: City Council

FROM: Michael Henderson, G.S. Superintendent 
 City Managers Office

SUBJECT: Repealing and Replacement of Resolution No. 13,779 Regarding Urban Greening Grant

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution repealing Resolution No. 13,799.
2. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit the grant contract to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation under the Urban Greening Grant for Sustainable Communities Program in the amount of \$804,188 for tree planting in the downtown core area, and certifying that the City will have sufficient funds to maintain the project area to be paid for with these grant funds.
3. Authorize the City Manager to appropriate grant funds upon award of the grant.

DISCUSSION

On April 6, 2010, Council adopted resolution No.13, 779 approving the application for grant funds for the Urban Greening Grant. The signed resolution along with the grant application was then sent to the State to meet the April 30, 2010 deadline. Parks staff was recently contacted by the State requesting that the Resolution be revised to include additional wording regarding State Codes. The revised Resolution is attached.

The Urban Greening Grant is a competitive State grant. Up to \$15.1 million is available for approved projects, and only cities, counties and nonprofits were eligible to apply. The application that was previously submitted was for \$804,188. There are no match requirements. Because of the built-out nature of California's urban areas, the Urban Greening for Sustainable Communities Program provides funds to preserve, enhance, increase or establish community green areas such as urban forests. Their goal is for these greening projects to incrementally create more viable and sustainable communities throughout the State. If approved, these funds will be utilized to complete the final portion of the

Downtown Street Tree Master Plan tree planting.

The Downtown Street Trees Project for the Strategic Growth Council Urban Greening Grant includes the planting of approximately 250 trees in the Downtown area of the City. The grant funding will enable the City to complete tree planting as specified in the Downtown Master Street Tree Plan. Trees will be planted along 6th, 7th and 8th Streets between C Street and Oxnard Blvd.; along A Street between 8th and 9th Streets and along B Street between 6th and 7th Streets and 8th and 9th Streets. Tree wells will be expanded into parkways, adding 21,121 square feet of additional green space to the streetscape Downtown. New water meters will provide recycled irrigation water to the new turf and trees.

The Master Plan delineates species for each street in the Downtown and provides a cohesive and consistent plan for planting, replacement and maintenance of street trees. This project will expand the healthy urban forest in the downtown. Healthy trees enhance the aesthetics of the public realm in the Downtown and contribute to its economic and cultural stability by attracting visitors, businesses and new residents to the community. Environmental benefits include enhanced air quality, carbon sequestering, and energy conservation through shade and wind protection, reduction of storm water runoff and erosion and noise attenuation.

The first attached resolution repeals Resolution No. 13,799. The second attached resolution includes all wording required by the State necessary to support the application.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no matching funds requirement. However, the City must certify that sufficient funds are available to operate and maintain the trees. A potential source of funding is the ½ cent sales tax increase approved by Measure "O". The annual maintenance cost is \$12,000. Staff will return to City Council for grant appropriation upon the grant approval.

LR/lr

Attachment #1 – Resolution repealing Resolution No.13,799.
Attachment #2 – Resolution approving application for grant

LR/lr

CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF OXNARD

Resolution No: _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD
APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR
THE URBAN GREENING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER
QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION
BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)**

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the Applicants governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves as follows:

1. The City Council approves the filing of an application for the Downtown Urban Trees Project.
2. Certifies that said applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application, and
3. Certifies that applicant or title holder will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that it will comply with the provisions of Section 1771.8 of the State Labor Code regarding payment of prevailing wages on Projects awarded Proposition 84 Funds, and
5. Certifies that the project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, environmental laws and, that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained, and
6. Certifies that applicant will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1, and
7. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of September, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

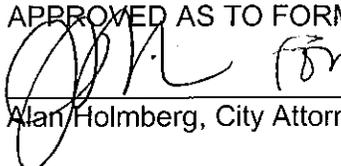
ABSENT:

Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alan Holmberg, City Attorney

CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF OXNARD

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD
REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 13,799 PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION
FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING GRANT PROGRAM
UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY,
FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF
2006 (PROPOSITION 84)

WHEREAS, the State of California has instructed the City to modify the resolution authorizing submittal of the grant application to provide additional wording needed to meet the States requirements for the grant; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to adopt a new resolution containing the modified grant application authorization as directed by the State; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Oxnard City Council previously approved Resolution No. 13,799 approving the submittal of an application for State grant funds for the Urban Greening Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves that Resolution No. 13,799 is hereby repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of September, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alan Holmberg, City Attorney

ATTACHMENT NO. 2

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