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TITLE

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING A HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT FROM CALRECYCLE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council adopt the resolution.

SUMMARY

The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has allocated \$1,000,000 for the 33rd cycle of the Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program (Program) for fiscal year 2019-20. The Program provides opportunities for local governments to implement safe Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) programs for collection, public education, source reduction, reuse, and/or recycling of HHW. This grant cycle has been designed for smaller projects that complement existing and/or regional HHW programs in California. The Environmental Services Section of the Economic Development Department applied for and received an award of \$50,000 for the 33rd Cycle of CalRecycle's Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program. Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the money into the Waste Management Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed Project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and it has been determined that the Project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 (Existing Facilities), Section 15304 Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land), Section 15311 Class 11 (Accessory Structures), and Section 15061(b)(3), because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Thus, no further environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

Per Resolution No. 2019-070 approved on May 7, 2019, City Council authorized the submittal of applications for California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) grants for which

the city is eligible to apply and authorized the City Manager or Designee to execute all grant documents and implement projects funded by CalRecycle. The Environmental Services Section of the Economic Development Department applied for and received an award of \$50,000 for the 33rd Cycle of CalRecycle's Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program.

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With the funds awarded, staff will implement a new Household Hazardous Waste Reuse Program (Reuse Program) at the city's existing household hazardous waste facility. The Reuse Program will accept minimally used household hazardous waste items, such as paint and household cleaners, that will be dropped off by residents who are no longer using said items and place them into the program for other residents to take and reuse at no charge. The Reuse Program will provide residents with a convenient way to donate minimally used items such as paint and household cleaners and give these items a second chance for use before being recycled.

Additionally, with these grant funds, staff will convert a storage shed currently located at the city's household hazardous waste facility and transform it into a "reuse store." The reuse store will be designed and painted to replicate a storefront; it will be an aesthetically pleasing addition to the household hazardous waste facility. The reuse store will advertise the Reuse Program in a fun, colorful way on the outside while securely housing all donated household hazardous waste items within.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the real property holdings of the City Council members do not create a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et. seq.)

Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision-maker conflict of interest in this matter.

LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS

The Reuse Program supports the city's Healthy Community goal as it seeks to provide a convenient and cost-free way for residents to donate for reuse their unneeded household hazardous waste items that have the potential to be improperly disposed.

CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no direct fiscal impact to the General Fund. All grant related activities are funded through the Environmental Services Fund and the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no ongoing fiscal impact to the General Fund. All grant related activities are funded through the Environmental Services Fund and California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Grant Agreement Sheet
- 2. Terms and Conditions
- 3. Notice to Proceed

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