CITY OF CORONADO

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF TO SUBMIT A REGIONAL APPLICATION FOR CALRECYCLE GRANTS, ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS, AND MAKE NECESSARY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

RECOMMENDATION:
Adopt "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Coronado Authorizing Submittal of a Regional Application as Lead Participant and on behalf of all Non-Lead Participants for all CalRecycle Grants for which the City of Coronado is Eligible".

BACKGROUND:
The City of Coronado is preparing to submit a regional application for the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Grant Program, Cycle 43, for Fiscal Year 2024–25. This resolution will authorize Coronado to act as the lead participant in a regional application, collaborating with other jurisdictions to secure grant funding.

Administered by CalRecycle, the grant supports local jurisdictions in addressing environmental and safety risks associated with the improper disposal of single-use pyrotechnic marine flares. These risks have increased due to the closure of local disposal facilities and limited handling options. By submitting the resolution, the City moves forward with a coordinated effort to improve hazardous waste disposal practices.

The grant will fund key initiatives, including public education, expanded disposal opportunities, collection events, and progress reporting. These efforts will provide a sustainable solution to hazardous waste management challenges in Coronado and the surrounding areas. To secure the Cycle 43 grant funding, the City must submit a resolution authorizing Coronado to lead the regional application, representing itself and other participating jurisdictions. This resolution enables the City to move forward with plans to tackle the issue of hazardous waste disposal in a coordinated, multi-jurisdictional effort.

ANALYSIS:
The disposal of expired marine flares has become increasingly challenging due to the closure of permitted disposal facilities and the rising costs associated with handling hazardous waste. Most household hazardous waste facilities in California are not equipped to handle marine flares, classified as explosive hazardous waste. This lack of options has led to improper disposal practices, posing environmental and safety risks.

The City of Oceanside will partner with the City of Coronado for this grant, with both cities coordinating events in their respective jurisdictions. The California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) will administer the grant for both cities, overseeing project implementation, coordinating events, and offering technical support.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a regional application for the Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program, Cycle 43, and any other CalRecycle grants for which the City is eligible. The resolution would also authorize the City

Manager to execute all necessary documents related to the grant application(s) and project implementation if the grant is awarded and make any budget adjustments necessary to facilitate the acceptance of grant funds.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Grant Program, Cycle 43, offers up to $100,000 in funding for regional applicants, including the joint application between the City of Coronado and the City of Oceanside. The grant will have no negative fiscal impact and will reduce the City's current hazardous waste disposal costs. Currently, the City spends approximately $123,000 annually on hazardous waste disposal. The grant activities will offset existing costs by funding hazardous waste disposal at City events and promoting the use of non-hazardous, longer-lasting alternatives, reducing future waste generation and disposal expenses.

ALTERNATIVE:
The City Council may elect not to apply for these CalRecycle grant funds.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT:
Not Applicable.

PUBLIC NOTICE:
No notice required.

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Resolution No. 2024-55

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