

Council Meeting of
January 10, 2006

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve a Resolution Accepting the Award of the 2005/2006 Competitive Grant (FEAP 538) from the Department of Conservation in the Amount of \$97,800 and the Appropriation of Funds upon Approval for the Purchase of Recycling Containers for Public Areas in the City

Expenditure: \$97,800

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Works Director recommends that the City Council approve a **RESOLUTION** for the award of a Department of Conservation grant to the City of Torrance in the amount of \$97,800 and approve the appropriation of funds for the purchase of recycling containers for several public areas maintained by the City.

Funding

Funds will be available from the 2005/2006 Competitive Grant for Recycling Containers in the Sanitation Enterprise Fund (FEAP 538).

BACKGROUND

The Public Works Department submitted a grant application with the Department of Conservation in July of 2005. The purpose of the grant is to provide opportunities for the public to recycle beverage containers in public areas. In November of 2005, Torrance was awarded the grant, as one of 13 recipients derived from 29 submittals.

The City of Torrance has received other grant funds that were used in the past to purchase containers for 11 of the City parks.

ANALYSIS

The grant program is to purchase recycling containers for the following locations:

- 1) The remaining 13 City parks not currently equipped, including Alta Loma, Delthorne, De Portolla, Entradero, Guenser, Hickory, La Carrettera, La Romeria, Los Arboles, Miramar, Pequeno, Sea-Aire and Sunnyglen.

- 2) Interior and garden areas of the Cultural Arts Center (and for their special events).
- 3) Exterior areas of the City Hall complex.
- 4) The Torrance beach.

Some grant funds will also be used to cover the costs of installation of the containers. Funding from another grant, the annual Beverage Container Block Grant, which is also through the Department of Conservation, will be used for contracts with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps and the Workforce Investment Network (WiN) to provide the majority of the collection services and maintenance, respectively.

Grant administration will require one year of monitoring materials collected for recycling, to determine if the containers are increasing public use of recycling opportunities. The grant funds will be received as reimbursements for expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. BESTE
Public Works Director



By Alison Sherman
Waste Management Coordinator

CONCUR:



Jack van der Linden
Deputy Public Works Director



Robert J. Beste
Public Works Director



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

Attachment: A) Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION
OF THE 2005/06 COMPETITIVE BEVERAGE CONTAINER GRANT**

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act that provides funds to cities and counties for beverage container recycling and litter cleanup activities;

WHEREAS, the California Department of Conservation's Division of Recycling has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the state, setting up necessary procedures for cities and counties under the program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance has been awarded the 2005/2006 Competitive Beverage Container Recycling Grant by the Department of Conservation's Division of Recycling; and

WHEREAS, per the 2005/2006 Competitive Beverage Container Recycling Grant Agreement, the Governmental entity is required to provided an approved resolution acknowledging their authority to enter into the grant agreement and authorizing the execution of the agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Torrance City Council authorizes the entrance into a Grant Agreement with the California Department of Conservation's Division of Recycling. The Public Works Director or their designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute in the name of the City of Torrance all necessary forms hereto for the purposes of securing payments and implement and carry out the purposes specified in the Grant Agreement of the Competitive Beverage Container Recycling Grant.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2006.

Mayor of the City of Torrance

ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City Torrance

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN FELLOWS
CITY ATTORNEY

BY _____
Ronald T. Pohl,
Assistant City Attorney

