



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: February 11, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Harbor Operations Division, Waterfront Department

SUBJECT: Grant From California Division Of Boating And Waterways For Abandoned Vessel Removal

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Authorize the Waterfront Director to execute an agreement with the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, accepting a \$10,000 grant for removal of abandoned recreational boats and associated hazards to navigation; and
- B. Increase Fiscal Year 2014 estimated revenue in the amount of \$10,000 and appropriate the funds to the Waterfront Department's Fiscal Year 2014 Capital Fund.

DISCUSSION:

The California Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), a Division of the State Department of Parks and Recreation, has reviewed and approved the Waterfront Department's application for a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for removal and disposal of abandoned recreational vessels and related navigational hazards from City waters and beaches. The funds, drawn from DBW's Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund (AWAF), are used to reimburse the City for 90% of the cost of removing and disposing such vessels and navigational hazards. The City has participated in the AWAF program since 2005, removing a total of 63 abandoned vessels.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

AWAF grants helps the Waterfront remove beached vessels in a timely, affordable fashion, limiting environmental impacts such as oil pollution and the spread of vessel debris on land and in the ocean.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office