



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: July 14, 2009
TO: Mayor and Councilmembers
FROM: Environmental Services, Finance Department
SUBJECT: Used Oil Recycling Block Grant Application – Fifteenth Cycle

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Finance Director to Submit an Application to the State of California Integrated Waste Management Board for Fiscal Year 2010 Used Oil Recycling Block Grant – Fifteenth Cycle, in the amount of \$22,812;
- B. If the grant is funded, accept the Used Oil Recycling Block Grant – Fifteenth Cycle, in the amount of \$22,812, for Fiscal Year 2010; and
- C. Increase Fiscal Year 2010 Miscellaneous Grants Fund estimated revenue and appropriations by \$22,812 for the Used Oil Recycling Block Grant.

DISCUSSION:

BACKGROUND

The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) provides annual non-competitive Used Oil Recycling Block Grants to local governments for establishing and enhancing community used oil collection programs. These funds must be directed toward used motor oil collection and/or related educational programs. Grant awards are based on the population size of each jurisdiction.

The City of Santa Barbara (City) was successful in being awarded a grant in the amount of \$22,812, for Fiscal Year 2009. Over the past several fiscal years, the City has designated these grant funds for promotional activities to educate the public about proper management of used motor oil. The Environmental Services Division will be working in conjunction with the Waterfront Department to spend the Fifteenth Cycle Used Oil Block Grant funding.

Once again, the CIWMB is offering used oil grants. The term of the grant will begin on July 1, 2009, and end on June 30, 2010. The annual fund allocation for the coming Fiscal Year is \$22,812.

The City will use the funds from this Fifteenth Cycle grant to:

- Ensure that residents and the boating community are exposed to the used oil education message by utilizing a variety of media;
- Distribute oil-absorbent pads, free, to the public. This helps keep bilges free of surface oil, and subsequently helps keep bilge pumps from causing a sheen on the harbor;
- Conduct public education and outreach, including brochures, pamphlets, signage, stenciling, etc.;
- Set-up and conduct temporary HHW collection events at the Harbor, where used oil is accepted;
- Purchase and distribute free used-oil collection materials (funnels, rags, etc.); and
- Make facility improvements that help maintain compliance with requirements of Waterfront Department's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

Environmental Services staff will oversee the administrative portion of the project, while working with Waterfront staff on overall direction of the campaign and providing creative input.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

With approval of the grant, the project will be fully grant funded.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The campaign will be designed to prevent motor oil pollution in the ocean, creeks, and groundwater by providing avenues for safe disposal rather than environmental dumping.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office