

Legislation Text

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### TO:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

### THROUGH:

Mark Danaj, City Manager

### FROM:

Stephanie Katsouleas, Public Works Director Shawn Igoe, Utilities Division Manager

#### SUBJECT:

Resolution Approving the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to Fund the Design of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration Project in the Amount of \$21,240.90. (Public Works Director Katsouleas). **APPROVE** 

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to fund the design of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration Project for \$21,240.90. **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** 

Funds are available in the Stormwater Fund in the amount of \$21,240.90 to fund the City of Manhattan Beach's portion of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration Project.

### BACKGROUND:

On November 8, 2012, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Board) adopted the 2012 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES) Permit for discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer system within the coastal watersheds of Los Angeles County (Permit). The Permit became effective on December 28, 2012 and identifies conditions, requirements and programs that municipalities must implement to protect regional waterbodies from adverse impacts associated with pollutants in stormwater and urban run-off. As part of the permit conditions, the City of Manhattan Beach elected to participate in an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP), which undertakes a regional approach to controlling storm water pollution. This program includes implementing Best Management Practices (BMP) capital projects with regional benefits in order to reduce and/or eliminate pollutant loads (often referred to as Total Maximum Daily Loads or TMDLs).

More specifically, the Cities of Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Torrance and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District have formed the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group (Beach Cities Group) to develop an EWMP to comply with the Board's *2012 NPDES* Permit and compliance with Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria (SMBBB) TMDL, Santa Monica Bay Toxics

TMDL and compliance with Dominguez Channel Toxics TMDL. In December 2013, Council approved the initial Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Beach Cities for Phase I of the EWMP. While completing Phase I, the Board issued a Reasonable Assurance Analysis document, describing stormwater modeling guidelines needed to complete the final EWMP (Phase II). The final Beach Cities Group EWMP has been approved by the Board.

### DISCUSSION:

A new MOU with the Beach Cities Group has been prepared to initiate the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration System. The Hermosa Beach Greenbelt project was identified in the Beach Cities Group EWMP as needed for compliance with Santa Monica Bay Bacteria and Toxics TMDLs. This project will be owned and maintained by the City of Hermosa Beach when completed. The MOU cost sharing formula does take into account the treatment capacity of the City of Manhattan Beach's watershed area.

This project's total budget is \$7,336,180, for which the Beach Cities Group (Hermosa Beach) was awarded a \$3,099,400 Prop 1 Grant. The breakdown for design costs and total project costs are below. The City of Manhattan Beach's share for just the design costs is \$21,240.90 and is proposed to be funded from the Storm Water Fund. A separate MOU will be brought to City Council once construction costs are known.

Agency Project Cost Share	Design	Cost	Share		Total
City of Redondo Beach					
City of Hermosa Beach			. \$115,550.50	\$576,202.09	
City of Manhattan Beach			. \$21,240.90	\$105,919.50	
City of Torrance			. \$281,229.50	. \$1,402,374.18	
Prop 1 Grant			<u>. \$400,000.00</u>	<u>. \$3,099,400.00</u>	
Total			\$1,313,705.95	\$7,336,180.00	

Therefore, staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to fund the design of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration Project in the amount of \$21,240.90.

### POLICY ALTERNATIVES:

Do not authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understating between the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to fund the design of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench Infiltration Project

### PROS:

General Funds would not be expended on the design portion of the Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trench infiltration Project.

## CONS:

Failure to comply with MS4 permit requirements may subject the City to Notices of Violation and possibly fines. Should fines be issued, existing programs and services may be affected.

### PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST:

Staff will work with the Beach Cities Group and the City of Hermosa Beach on Public Outreach for this project prior to commencement of construction.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

The City of Hermosa Beach has been and will continue to work on compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). However, the City of Manhattan Beach has reviewed the project scope and the project qualifies for a Class 1(b) categorical exemption pursuant to Section 15301. No environmental review is necessary.

# LEGAL REVIEW

Special Counsel has reviewed and approved as to form the MOU.

# Attachments:

- 1. Resolution No. 17-0094
- 2. Hermosa Greenbelt Project MOU
- 3. Hermosa Greenbelt RFP
- 4. Project Location and Watershed Map