



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
October 26, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront
Subject: Grant Application: Boating Safety and Enforcement Equipment (BSEE)
grant program of the California Division of Boating & Waterways

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to 1) submit a grant application to the California Division of Boating and Waterways 2021 BSEE grant program for \$20,000; 2) accept any grants; and 3) execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; and the City Council authorizes the implementation of the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses subject to securing the grant.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The cost to purchase and replace the inflatable collar on Rescue One at the Berkeley Marina is estimated at \$20,000. No local match is required. The grant will be deposited in the Boating and Waterways Fund (Fund 607).

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The City-owned patrol boat Rescue One has an inflatable collar used for protection during towing and for extra flotation. The inflatable collar has surpassed its life expectancy (10 years) and is badly worn, faded, and not holding air. A replacement collar is needed in order for the boat to continue providing towing and rescue operations at the Berkeley Marina.

BACKGROUND

For over 20 years, the Division of Boating and Waterways has provided grant funding assistance to public agencies throughout California, including the City of Berkeley, to replace boating-specific equipment and other support equipment used for boating safety. In 1998, the City purchased the Rescue One boat using a Division of Boating and Waterways BSEE grant. The City currently owns three boats used for rescue, towing, and other duties at the Berkeley Marina.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

There are no environmental impacts associated with the recommendation contained in this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This BSEE Grant will cover the full replacement of the inflatable collar for the Rescue One boat at the Berkeley Marina and does not require matching funds from the City.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

GRANT APPLICATION: BOATING SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT
(BSEE) GRANT PROGRAM OF THE STATE DIVISION OF BOATING AND
WATERWAYS

WHEREAS, for over 20 years, the Division of Boating and Waterways has provided grant funding assistance to public agencies throughout California, including the City of Berkeley, to replace boating-specific equipment and other support equipment used for boating safety; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, the "Rescue One" boat at the Berkeley Marina was purchased using a Division of Boating and Waterways BSEE grant. At present, the City owns and operates three rescue boats used for rescue, towing, and other duties at the Berkeley Marina; and

WHEREAS, Rescue One has an inflatable collar used for protection during towing and for extra flotation. The inflatable collar has surpassed its life expectancy (10 years) and is badly worn, faded, and not holding air. A replacement collar is needed in order for the boat to continue providing towing and rescue operations at the Berkeley Marina; and

WHEREAS, the cost to replace the inflatable collar on Rescue One is estimated at \$20,000. If awarded, the grant funds will be deposited in the Boating and Waterways Fund (Fund 607).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to 1) submit a grant application to the California Division of Boating and Waterways 2021 BSEE grant program for \$20,000; 2) accept any grants; 3) execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; and the City Council authorizes the implementation of the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses subject to securing the grant. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.