



City of Woodland

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 6, 2008

SUBJECT: CA Department of Conservation
City/County Payment Grant Year 2008-09

Report in Brief

Pursuant to Section 14581(a)(5)(A) of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, the Department of Conservation is distributing grant funds in fiscal year 2008-09 to eligible cities and counties specifically for beverage container recycling and litter cleanup activities.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the submittal of a 2008-09 Funding Request Form to the Department of Conservation and authorize the Public Works Director and/or designee to execute all necessary forms on behalf of the City, and accept and expend the grant when the funds are available.

Background

To receive these non-competitive grant funds, the City must submit a Funding Request Form to the Department of Conservation by June 30, 2008. Such funds will be used to promote new and existing beverage container recycling programs throughout the community which is consistent with the City's Source Reduction Recycling Element and identified in the draft FY 08-09 budget.

The City has consistently applied for and received grant funds for this City/County Payment Program for approximately ten years. Funds spent within grant guidelines include indoor and outdoor recycling containers throughout City facilities, educational literature about recycling bottles and cans, and local and regional educational outreach campaigns.

Discussion

The goal of California's beverage container recycling program is to reach and maintain an 80 percent recycling rate for all California Refund Value beverage containers. The recycling programs established by cities and counties assist the Department in reaching, maintaining, and hopefully, exceeding this goal.

The benefits associated with approving the application for this grant include increased funds for the recycling budget. City Council's approval of the staff's recommendation will ensure participation in this grant for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

Fiscal Impact

The Department of Conservation 2008-09 grant funding cycle will increase the recycling budget by approximately \$14,000. The exact amount of per-capita funding will be stated on the Funding Request Form pending release some time later this month.

Public Contact

Posting of the City Council agenda.

Recommendation for Action

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