



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDER
April 23, 2019

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: Cosco Busan Round 2 Grant Program from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to: submit a grant application in the amount of \$182,000 to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for the Cosco Busan Round 2 Grant Program; accept any grants; execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; and that Council authorize the implementation of the project and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The Cosco Busan Grant Program administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation does not require local matching funds. However, the City has already programmed and funded several projects at the South Cove in the approved FY 2019 budget at the Berkeley Marina that can be included as match in order to submit a competitive proposal. If awarded in the Fall of 2019, the grant funds will be appropriated as part of the First Amendment to the FY 2020 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In January 2019, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation announced the availability of grant funding for Round 2 of the Cosco Busan Grant Program for cities affected by the oil spill of 2007 to allocate the remaining funds that were not spent in Round 1 of the grant program. Up to \$400,000 in grant funding will be available for competitive proposals from East Bay cities.

The City will submit a grant application to renovate the existing Boat Hoist Staging Area at the South Cove at the Berkeley Marina. This will involve re-paving the existing Staging Area at the boat hoists with new traffic and pedestrian striping; installing an ADA accessible path-of-travel linking the new Accessible Ramp to the Bay Trail; replacing the existing water line to the Boat Hoists; and replacing the existing Boat Hoists (2).

The City has already programmed and funded the following projects at the Boat Dock Staging Area at the South Cove in the approved FY2019 Budget, and will use these as matching funds for the Cosco Busan grant application:

- a) Installation of a new ADA accessible ramp and landing dock and abutment at the existing Middle Dock (\$125,400 from the ABAG Water Trail Grant and \$120,000 from the Marina Fund).
- b) Replacement of two existing small boat docks (east and west) (completion scheduled for 2019). (\$113,000 from the Marina Fund).
- c) Installation of segment 3 of the Bay Trail to link the South Cove Parking Lot to the Adventure Playground (completion scheduled for 2019) (\$500,000 from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (Caltrans funding) and \$216,000 from the Marina Fund).

This work is part of the City's overall effort to upgrade the aging infrastructure at the Berkeley Waterfront. For example, in the Fall of 2018, the City completed the South Cove Parking Lot and New Public Restroom, funded 66% by grants and 34% by the Marina Fund. In the Fall of 2020, the City is planning to complete a renovation of the three major roadway segments at the Berkeley Marina: University Ave; Marina Blvd; and Spinnaker Way, which will be funded primarily by the Measure T1 Infrastructure Program.

BACKGROUND

On November 6, 2007, the container ship Cosco Busan caused an oil spill in the San Francisco Bay that affected the shoreline and habitats throughout the entire Bay Area. On March 26, 2012, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, together with the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) and the California State Lands Commission (CSLC), conducted Round 1 of the Cosco Busan Grant Program and allocated \$6.8 million in competitive grants for recreational projects related to the waters of the San Francisco Bay that compensate the public for the loss of use and enjoyment of public beaches, parks, and other public or natural resources as a result of the oil spill. In January 2019, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation announced Round 2 of the Cosco Busan Grant Program to allocate the remaining \$1 million in funds that were not spent in Round 1 of the program. Approximately \$400,000 in grant funds will be available for East Bay cities.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

The Boat Dock Staging Area at the South Cove at the Berkeley Marina provides access to the waters of the San Francisco Bay to thousands of windsurfers, kayakers, canoes, stand-up paddle boards (SUPs), swimmers, and nature watchers. These activities promote active stewardship of the Bay and greater direct awareness of sea level rise and the goals of Chapter Six – Adapting to a Changing Climate – in the City's Climate Action Plan.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The South Cove Boat Dock Staging Area is currently comprised of a severely degraded asphalt and gravel surface with poor road striping for proper traffic and pedestrian

management. It is a highly congested area with multiple conflicting paths of travel, multiple tripping hazards, and no dedicated accessible path of travel to the new accessible ramp at the middle dock. In the proposed project, a new asphalt and striped surface at the Boat Dock Staging Area will greatly improve the safety and accessibility of the public use of the Bay Trail, the public sailing clubs, the public docks, and access to the Bay waters.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

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

GRANT APPLICATION: COSCO BUSAN ROUND 2 GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION FOR THE SOUTH COVE BOAT DOCK STAGING AREA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$182,000

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to: submit a grant application in the amount of \$182,000 to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for the Cosco Busan Round 2 Grant Program; accept any grants; execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; and that Council authorize the implementation of the project 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.