



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of July 18, 2023

DATE: July 18, 2023

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Grant Application to the Texas General Land Office for the FY 2024 Beach Cleaning & Maintenance Assistance Program

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing a grant application for the FY 2024 Beach Cleaning and Maintenance Assistance Program from the Texas General Land Office for \$70,000 to provide beach cleaning and maintenance on North Padre Island and Mustang Island.

SUMMARY:

The City is required to pass a Resolution annually in order to apply for the Texas General Land Office (TGLO) Beach Cleaning & Maintenance Assistance Program. The TGLO Beach Cleaning & Maintenance Assistance Program provides an annual reimbursement to offset a portion of the City's beach maintenance expenditures.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The TGLO Beach Cleaning & Maintenance Assistance Program uses a funding formula to reimburse cities/counties annually for beach cleaning/maintenance expenditures. The reimbursement amount varies based on the formula and available funds. Currently, the principal portion of the beach maintenance appropriations is distributed among twelve communities that contain public beaches within their jurisdiction and have made applications for funding.

Cities that qualify for eligibility under the Natural Resources Code may receive up to, but no greater than, two-thirds reimbursement for eligible expenses incurred in maintaining beaches. However, actual state appropriations have typically limited this reimbursement to the range of 10 to 20 percent of actual local costs. The total cost for Corpus Christi for FY 2024 is an estimated \$2,128,971.58.

The City's Beach Operations Division cleans/maintains a total of 7.8 miles of beach front which includes 1.7 miles along Access Road 6, 4.1 miles along Access Road 2, and 1.99 miles along Packery Channel. These sections of beach are included in the application for the estimated \$2,128,971.58 requested for assistance.

If awarded, these funds will be used to aid with costs associated with beach cleaning and maintenance on North Padre Island and Mustang Island, including equipment rental fees, labor,

signage, supervision of litter debris removal, solid waste collection/disposal, portable toilet rentals and servicing fees, barricades, bollards, traffic signs, lifeguard expenses, litter/beach patrol expenses, and administration. For FY 2024, the City expects to receive \$70,000.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative would be to not apply for beach maintenance funding. However, the City has applied for and been granted this funding annually for over a decade. These funds help offset costs that the City would have incurred if it were not to receive this grant.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution approving FY 2024 grant application for the Beach Cleaning and Maintenance Assistance Program from the Texas General Land Office for an estimated amount of \$70,000 to provide beach cleaning and maintenance on North Padre Island and Mustang Island, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

GLO FY 2024 Application for Beach Cleaning & Maintenance Program
Resolution