

**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Lancaster**

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Date: October 14, 2014

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Elizabeth Brubaker, Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Director

Subject: **California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery Eligible Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Enforcement Grant Programs for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 through Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

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**Recommendation:**

Adopt **Resolution No. 14-61**, authorizing the submittal of applications to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) under the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Enforcement Grant Programs for which the City of Lancaster is eligible; and if selected, approving the execution of standard agreements and any amendments thereto, and any related documents necessary to participate. Authorize the City Manager or his/her designee to execute any documents necessary to receive such funds, and to take actions as needed to facilitate all eligible grants applied for through the CalRecycle Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Enforcement Grant Programs.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None for this particular action. If the City is successful in the grant processes, additional funding will be available to the City for approved waste tire cleanup and enforcement activities.

**Background:**

The Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Department staff routinely submits applications to CalRecycle in order to receive grant funds for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Enforcement Grant Programs. An approved resolution is required to adopt and implement these grant programs. As efforts are successful in acquiring the award of these funds, the City will use the funds to address complaints and conduct inspections on established businesses that have a Tire Program Identification Number. The City will also conduct inspections on non-active or illegal waste tire businesses and participate in clean-up activities throughout the City of Lancaster.

The primary objective of the grant programs is to encourage activities that promote reducing the number of waste tires going to landfills for disposal and eliminating the stockpiling of waste tires. Activities include tire pile cleanup and enforcement, market development, and demonstration projects. Additionally, the programs allow Code Enforcement Officers to investigate illegal tire disposal activities and perform waste tire inspections to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. These activities will contribute to recycling and waste reduction efforts throughout the City of Lancaster.

Significant components of the programs include inspections of active waste tire generators, haulers, illegal dumping, community awareness and waste tire cleanups. The City of Lancaster's Code Enforcement Officers will be active in observing, inspecting and participating in the cleanup of illegally dumped or discarded waste tires. Staff will focus on educating the public on illegal dumping, recycling and other waste tire related activities as well as providing information to businesses on the laws and regulations surrounding waste tire activity.

Participation in the grant programs will help increase services to our citizens and the community as a whole, and enhance efforts to remove waste tires that are a health and safety hazard and a source of blight within the City. Additionally, the programs conform to the City of Lancaster's "Going Green" philosophy, and work in harmony with the goals and directives of the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization.

**Attachment:**

Resolution No. 14-61