

STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster

Date: February 09, 2016

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 Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 through Fiscal Year 2021-2022**

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Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 16-06**, authorizing the submittal of application to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) under the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program 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.

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 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 of illegal waste tire dumping. The City will 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. These activities will contribute to recycling and waste reduction efforts throughout the City of Lancaster.

Significant components of the programs include inspections of illegal dumping sites, community awareness, and waste tire cleanups. The City of Lancaster's Code Enforcement Officers will be active 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 program 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 program conforms to the City of Lancaster's "Going Green" philosophy, and works in harmony with the goals and directives of the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization.

Attachment:

Resolution No. 16-06