RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0262

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

August 18, 2020

Grant Application for WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects 2021 Grant Program

BACKGROUND

A. The United States (U.S.) Department of the Interior WaterSMART (Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow) Program establishes a framework to provide Federal leadership and assistance for using water efficiently, integrating water and energy policies to support the sustainable use of all natural resources, and coordinating the water conservation activities of various Interior bureaus and offices.

B. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) Drought Response Program is an important part of the WaterSMART Program. Through the Drought Response Program, USBR provides assistance to states, tribes, and local governments to prepare for and address drought in advance of a crisis. By cost sharing with USBR on Drought Resiliency Projects, agencies can increase the reliability of water supply; improve water management; implement systems to facilitate the voluntary sale, transfer, or exchange of water; and provide benefits for fish, wildlife, and the environment to mitigate impacts caused by drought.

C. The City’s Department of Utilities is seeking approval to apply for up to $1,500,000 in grant funding from the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/21 WaterSMART: Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects administered by the USBR. If awarded, the funding will be used to support the City’s Well Rehab Program.

D. If awarded, there is a cost match requirement of 50 percent of total project costs. There are sufficient funds in the Well Rehab Program (Z14110100, Fund 6005) to meet the cost match requirement.
BASSED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee, the Director of the Department of Utilities, is authorized to:

A. Apply for grant funding through the USBR WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for FY2020/21 in an amount up to $1,500,000.

B. Sign the funding agreement if the grant is awarded, prepare the necessary data, and execute all reporting, payment requests, and documentation of compliance applicable to the grant and completion of the project.

C. If the grant is awarded, adjust the revenue and expenditure budgets in the Well Rehab Program (Z14110100, 6205) for an amount up to $1,500,000.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on August 18, 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Ashby, Carr, Guerra, Hansen, Harris, Schenirer, Warren and Mayor Steinberg

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Member Jennings

Attest: Mindy Cuppy, City Clerk

The presence of an electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the Sacramento City Council.