

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

February 25, 2002

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION OF THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT

APPLICATION FOR THE 2002-2003 USED OIL RECYCLING BLOCK GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,452 FROM THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- Adopt a resolution approving the application for a grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board for Used Oil Recycling funds.
- 2. Authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into an agreement with the California Integrated Waste Management Board to promote used oil recycling projects in the City of Pasadena.

BACKGROUND

The California Integrated Management Board oversees the State of California's motor oil deposit program whereby a \$0.04 per quart deposit is charged to motor oil consumers pursuant to the California Oil Recycling Enhancement Act (Statutes of 1991). The unclaimed redemption monies are used to fund block grants to municipalities for promoting used motor oil recycling programs. The funds are distributed by the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

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Eligibility and Award Amount

The City of Pasadena is eligible for an award of \$62,452. This award for fiscal year 2003 is a one-time only increase of approximately \$18,000. This increase is the result of unspent used oil funds that have accumulated over the past three to four years. Block grants are awarded to local governments calculated on the State of California's Department of Finance population statistics. The amounts include \$0.31 per capita for used oil recycling and \$0.24 per capita for used oil filter recycling. The funds are awarded for one fiscal year, but the money may be expended over a three-year period.

Proposed Used Oil Recycling Activities

The grant monies will be used to enhance and expand the existing used motor oil recycling program. The existing program includes presentations to school children about the importance of proper oil disposal to protect the water supply; outreach at neighborhood association events, at community centers and the local farmer's markets; and at various special events such as the Black History Parade, Cinco de Mayo, Latino History Celebration, the Community Picnic, South Lake Classic Car Show and Arroyo Seco Fest.

Funds for fiscal year 2003 will include distribution of re-refined oil to attendees at special events. This will enable drivers to try out the product at no charge; the objective is to convert drivers to regular use of re-refined oil. A greater effort will be expanded in working with the local certified used oil centers. For example, a one-day workshop will be held at each certified center that wishes to participate. This will give the center added recognition and help increase the awareness of responsible used oil handling. Successful events of this nature were held at AutoZone and Pep Boys in 2001.

There will be increased effort to reach students in high school automotive programs. A supportive connection was established with the Muir High School's automotive program during fiscal year 2001. Enhanced public education will include increased distribution of bi-lingual educational materials and public service announcements prepared by the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Used Oil Recycling Grant Award is \$62,452 for fiscal year 2003. These funds will be included in the Refuse Fund's FY 2003 revenue projections. Ninety percent of the funds are awarded to the City at the beginning of the grant cycle and the remaining 10% is awarded once the Board determines that expenditures have met the funding guidelines. Matching City funds are not required.

Respectfully submitted,

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