TO: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS
DATE: APRIL 23, 2007
SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT APPLICATION(S) AND SIGN RELATED AGREEMENT(S) FOR THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD (CIWMB) TIRE RELATED AND RUBBERIZED ASPHALT CONCRETE GRANT PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends Council approve a resolution (Attachment A) to authorize the City Manager or his/her designee to submit California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) tire related and rubberized asphalt concrete grant applications and to sign related grant program agreements and amendments.

BACKGROUND
The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) offers funding opportunities authorized by legislation to assist public and private entities in the safe and effective management of the waste stream. The Targeted Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Incentive (TRI) Grant Program provides assistance to local governments to fund rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC) projects. It is designed to promote markets for recycled-content products derived from waste tires generated in California and decrease the adverse environmental impacts created by unlawful disposal and stockpiling of waste tires. Cities, counties, districts and other local government agencies that fund public works projects are eligible to submit applications for this grant program. Grants are distributed on a competitive basis.

DISCUSSION
Staff proposes submitting a TRI grant application to acquire the additional funds needed to include RAC as part of the upcoming annual street resurfacing project scheduled to begin in July 2007. This resurfacing project is estimated at $1.7 million, and will include a bid add-alternate for rubberized asphalt concrete that could replace the normal asphalt concrete used for street rehabilitation and overlays. RAC material is more expensive than the typical asphalt concrete as it is a recycled product, but may prove to be more durable, flexible and provide a longer life span than the typical 20 year life span of asphalt concrete. If the lowest responsible bidder provides an RAC bid price within budget, combined with the funds supplied by the grant, the RAC bid add-alternate will be included for Council’s consideration in awarding this contract in July.
Staff anticipates that a TRI grant of $175,000 will cover the additional cost of using RAC so the City can maintain streets at the current level. If the RAC is more expensive than expected, the resurfacing project will continue with the use of asphalt concrete so as to not impact or decrease the number of streets resurfaced. The grant funds, if awarded, can be applied for the next resurfacing project in 2008 unless Council approves an additional expenditure to pay the additional cost beyond the $175,000 of grant funds anticipated.

**RESOURCE IMPACT**

If a supplemental grant of $175,000 is awarded to the City, an Exhibit B adjustment will be required to budget grant funds and expenditures. The grant requires City expenditures of funds which will be reimbursed by the State. No net impact on the General Fund or Infrastructure Reserve is expected. The remaining funds for the project are included in the proposed FY 2007-08 Capital Improvement Program budget, PE-86070.

Staff will submit the application, administer agreements and amendments, and submit for reimbursements periodically during the project as required by the grant conditions.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This grant program is consistent with the City Council’s Top 4 priority, Global Climate Protection, promoting sustainability and the reduction of materials put into the waste stream and Sustainable Budget, by seeking outside funding sources for City infrastructure projects.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

Approval of the Administering Agency-State Master Agreements does not constitute a project for purposes of the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) or the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); therefore, no environmental analysis is required.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Resolution authorizing a 5-year grant application for the Waste Tire Recycling Management Program and execution of tire-related grant programs

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