AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.C.

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Matthew Fertal

From: Keith G. Jones

Dept:

City Manager

Dept: Public Works

Subject:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL

Date: September 9, 2008

OF APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

REUSE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVE

For City Council to adopt a resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) for the Reuse Assistance Grant Program, 12th Cycle, Fiscal Year 2008-09.

BACKGROUND

The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) established the Reuse Assistance Grant (RAG) Program to provide funding to local public agencies to promote the reuse of non-hazardous materials. The RAGs are intended to foster creative and productive projects that reuses a material in its current form without any significant processing that alters its material structure. The primary purpose of this grant is to encourage the establishment of long-term systems, infrastructures, projects, or facilities that recover materials for reuse that would otherwise be destined for disposal in California landfills. Cities are eligible for up to \$50,000 in grant funds and are encouraged to partner with other local government agencies or non-profit organizations.

Habitat for Humanity of Orange County, a non-profit organization, operates the Habitat ReStore, located at 12827 Harbor Boulevard in Garden Grove. The store, which opened in March 2007, was established to accept donations of surplus, discontinued, new and used materials from businesses or homeowners. items, which would otherwise be discarded into local landfills, are then sold to the public at below retail prices. Income generated by the Habitat ReStore supports construction of affordable housing for low income families throughout the nation.

DISCUSSION

The nature of the RAG program activities, such as the procurement, storage, distribution, and sale of reuse materials, are outside the scope of the Public Works department. The City, however, can provide administrative support to organizations that focus on the resale of used items to promote the diversion of materials from landfills.

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Since only local government agencies are eligible to apply for the grant, staff from the Habitat for Humanity of Orange County is seeking a partnership with the City of Garden Grove to submit an application for funding to the CIWMB RAG program for fiscal year 2008-09. The Habitat ReStore in Garden Grove currently lacks funding to provide sufficient marketing and advertisement and the necessary equipment to accept large-size donations. As a result, large donations, such as furniture and appliances, have not been accepted and subsequently taken to landfills. Furthermore, the inability to accept the donations results in the loss of additional profit from the potential sale of the items. Funds from the grant would be used to implement marketing and outreach to the community, as well as provide additional equipment to the Habitat ReStore.

If awarded, the City will enter into an agreement with Habitat for Humanity of Orange County to implement the proposed project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Although the grant requires a 50 percent matching requirement, the Habitat for Humanity of Orange County will provide all matching funds. There is no impact to the General Fund.

COMMUNITY VISION

Ensure that Garden Grove is, and remains, an attractive community to all groups within the community.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) for the Reuse Assistance Grant Program, 12th Cycle, Fiscal Year 2008-09.
- Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute all grant documents necessary to secure grant funds and implement the grant project.

 Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the resolution on behalf of the City.

KEITH Q. JONES

Public Works Director

By: Ann Cao

Sr. Administrative Analyst

Attachment: Resolution

Recommended for Approval-

Matthew Fert City Manager

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE REUSE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM, 12TH CYCLE, FISCAL YEAR 2008/09

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code sections 40000 et seq. authorize the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to administer various Grant Programs in furtherance of the State of California's (State) efforts to reduce, recycle, and reuse solid waste generated in the State, thereby preserving landfill capacity and protecting public health and safety and the environment; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this authority CIWMB is required to establish procedures governing the application, awarding, and management of grants; and

WHEREAS, Grant Application procedures require the City's governing body to authorize by resolution its approval for submittal of an application for the Reuse Assistance Grant Program, 12th Cycle, Fiscal Year 2008/09 Grant and the designation by job title of the individual authorized to execute all Grant documents on behalf of the City of Garden Grove; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City of Garden Grove will partner with the Habitat for Humanity of Orange County to implement the grant project; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City of Garden Grove will enter into a Grant Agreement with CIWMB to fund the proposed grant project at the Habitat ReStore in Garden Grove; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE:

- Authorizes the submittal of an application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board for the Reuse Assistance Grant Program, 12th Cycle, Fiscal Year 2008/09.
- Authorizes and empowers the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute in the name of the City of Garden Grove all grant documents necessary to secure grant funds and implement the approved grant project.