




Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

November 28, 2006

To: Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

From:  Phil Kamlarz, City Manager

Submitted by: Marc Seleznow, Director, Parks Recreation and Waterfront

Subject: Grant Application: Department of Boating and Waterways – Middle Dock
Replacement

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) in an amount not to exceed \$90,000; to accept the grant; to execute resultant revenue agreements and amendments; and authorize the implementation of the project and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding for the replacement of the middle dock at the South Sailing Basin will be provided entirely by the grant from the California Department of Boating and Waterways in the amount of \$90,000. The project requires no cash match from the City and will involve minimal costs of oversight by City staff for the installation of the new dock (a few days). Grant funds will be deposited in budget code 628-5950-331-2901 (project code: 07MD01). Upon notification of the grant award, the appropriation of the grant for \$90,000 will be included as part of a future Amendment to the Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

There are three docks at the South Sailing Basin in the Berkeley Marina that are used by over 15,000 kayakers, windsurfers, and day sailors on a year-round basis under the guidance of two non-profit groups, Cal Adventures and the Cal Sailing Club. Over the past twenty years, the middle dock has been severely damaged by storm surges. As a result, it has been shortened extensively and must be removed from the water each winter. The California Department of Boating and Waterways has encouraged the City to submit a grant application to the Department's Boating and Trails Grant Program (BTGP) to replace the dock, which can be accomplished in a few days and with minimal costs of oversight by City staff.

BACKGROUND

The City of Berkeley maintains a number of docks and related facilities at the Berkeley Marina for use by the general public to access the Bay via kayak, windsurfing, and boats. Due to damage by tidal action, wave action, and storm surges, the docks at the Marina need periodic maintenance and replacement.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City has been encouraged to apply for this grant by the staff at the California Department of Boating and Waterways. The replacement of the middle dock is a simple and straightforward project which will not require the use of City funds, other than the minimal costs for staff oversight of the installation.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

GRANT APPLICATION: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF BOATING AND
WATERWAYS

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley desires to improve the boat launching facilities at the middle dock in the South Sailing Basin at the Berkeley Marina; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Boating and Waterways is authorized to provide grants to cities, counties, districts, and other public agencies for the construction and development of small craft launching facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley has determined that the middle dock in the South Sailing Basin of the Berkeley Marina needs replacement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley is willing to enter into an agreement to provide for the operation and maintenance of the proposed facilities at no cost to the State; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be deposited in budget 628-5950-331-2901 (project code: 07MD01).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Berkeley authorizes the City Manager to submit a grant application to the California Department of Boating and Waterways for the replacement of the middle dock in the South Sailing Basin of the Berkeley Marina in an amount not to exceed \$90,000; to accept the grant; to execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments; and authorize the implementation of the project and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

