



TITLE

Water Bottle Filling Stations

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution increasing the Fiscal Year 2025/26 Public Works Solid Waste Budget in the amount of \$200,000 for the installation of water bottle refill stations and the purchase of a portable hydration station.

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BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS

In June 2023 the City was awarded a CalRecycle Beverage Container Recycling Grant in the amount of \$275,000. The funds are for the purchase and installation of outdoor bottle refill stations and outdoor recycling containers for 11 City park facilities and the purchase of a portable hydration station.

Since the award, staff has completed a field assessment on the number of water fountains to be replaced with bottle refill stations and the number of recycling containers to purchase. Vendors have also been selected to purchase the stations, containers and portable hydration station.

During the course of the project, it was discovered that the grant funding had not been included in the adopted Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget therefore a budget adjustment was needed to ensure timely completion of the project. City Council adopted a resolution to increase the Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget at the May 6, 2025 City Council Meeting. The bottle refill stations and recycling receptacles were procured, however, staff was unable to procure the portable hydration station or schedule the installation of the outdoor bottle refill station prior to the fiscal year ending and thus

did not have it budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2025/26 budget.

COUNCIL PRIORITY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Organizational Effectiveness: "Deliver exemplary government services."

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant funding and anticipated expenditures were not included in the approved Fiscal Year 2025/26 Public Works Solid Waste budget therefore an increase is needed to the following accounts for a total amount of \$200,000:

Fund	Description	Budget Amount
100-50-545-42160	Grant Administration and Installation of Bottle Refill Stations	\$80,000
100-50-545-42420	Public Outreach and Signage	\$10,000
100-50-545-46130	Purchase of portable hydration station and water refill station for Phillip West Aquatic Center	\$110,000

The equipment purchases, installation costs and staff time to administer the grant are eligible for grant reimbursement. Funds will be reimbursed by CalRecycle upon completion of the work.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

15378(b) - The action is not a "Project" subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") because it does not qualify as a "Project" under Public Resources Code Sections 21065 and 21080 and in Section 15378(b) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

COMMUNICATION

Level 1 – Minimal Communication
Project completion in future City Manager Updates.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. [Resolution - Solid Waste Budget](#)