



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 13, 2016

TO: Honorable Council Member Todd Gloria, Budget Review Committee Chair and Budget Review Committee Members

FROM: Tracy McCraner, Financial Management Director 

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Review Committee Referral Responses for May 4, 2016

This memorandum provides responses and/or follow up information to unanswered questions asked at the Budget Review Committee Meeting held on May 4, 2016. The responses are listed by department in the order that they were reviewed by the Committee.

In addition to the responses below, a separate memorandum will be issued by the Performance & Analytics on key performance indicators no later than Thursday, May 26, 2016.

POLICE

COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

QUESTION:

What will be achieved with the feasibility study budgeted at \$250,000?

RESPONSE:

The feasibility study is to develop a comprehensive project scope and associated cost estimates for the replacement of the four elevators and the HVAC System/Energy Management System at the Police Headquarters.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION: Please refer to Attachment 1 regarding officer retention, dispatcher services, and over-time calculation questions.

RESPONSE:

These questions will be responded to in a separate memorandum at a later date.

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COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

QUESTION:

Out of the 321 positions in Training and Employee Development Division, how many are sworn positions?

RESPONSE:

Of the 321 positions in the Training and Employee Development Division, 244 full-time equivalents (FTEs) are sworn.

QUESTION:

Is the \$3.0 million overtime adjustment sufficient?

RESPONSE:

Yes, based on our historical overtime, the Department believes this adjustment is sufficient.

FIRE-RESCUE

COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

QUESTION:

What is the presumptive medical costs for lifeguards?

RESPONSE:

Historical expense information for presumptive illness included in the agreement between the City and Local 911 does not currently exist, as this is a new benefit for employees represented by Local 911. Since the number and nature of potential future presumptive illnesses/injuries for Local 911 members cannot be determined, the fiscal impact is unknown at this time.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

QUESTION:

When will the developer agreement for Fire Station No. 48 – Black Mountain Ranch be routed to City Council?

RESPONSE:

There is financing available to build Fire Station No. 48 – Black Mountain Ranch through the Black Mountain Ranch Public Facilities Financing Plan. The developer has proposed to build the station as a design/build instead of a design/bid/build as identified in the current developer reimbursement agreement. This revision to the developer reimbursement agreement will require an amendment or new reimbursement agreement. Per Municipal Code Section 142.06, this amendment or new agreement can be approved by the Mayor and does not require City Council approval. Once the developer submits an application to amend or enter into a new agreement, Department staff will work closely with the developer on negotiating that agreement and will efficiently process the agreement for Mayoral approval thereafter.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

What is the process and timeline to create a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project for fire station maintenance and repairs?

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RESPONSE:

For those projects that qualify as a capital expense, the Fire-Rescue Department would identify the need for a CIP project and work with the Public Works Department to assist in determining the scope of the project. The length of time to establish a project through the Public Works Project Implementation Division varies depending on the complexity of the project and the workload and capacity of Project Implementation. A funding source would need to be identified prior to project implementation. More information on the City's Capital Improvements Program can be found at: <https://www.sandiego.gov/cip>.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

How does the Fire Foundation work with Fire Department to fund station refurbishment?

RESPONSE:

Funding from the San Diego Fire Rescue Foundation is made available through fundraising for a variety of areas, including facility improvements and station remodels, as well as monies received through restricted and/or unrestricted private donations that comply with the Foundation's Gift Acceptance Policy.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

QUESTION:

What is the feasibility of the Fire-Rescue Department billing universities for fire services?

RESPONSE:

As the Fire-Rescue Department has never charged a private or public educational institution for fire services, the Department will request a legal review from the City Attorney's Office to determine the feasibility.

DEBT MANAGEMENT

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

Can I receive a copy of the contract for the feasibility study for establishing an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) in the Otay/Mesa area? What is the status?

RESPONSE:

A copy of the referenced contract is attached (Attachment 2). The contract has been executed, and initial work has begun.

CITYWIDE PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

Please provide a detailed breakdown of special consulting services budgeted within Citywide Program Expenditures.

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RESPONSE:

Please see the table on the following page.

SPECIAL CONSULTING SERVICES			
	FY 2016 ADOPTED	FY 2017 PROPOSED	CHANGE
Non-pensionable Compensation Increase	-	5,069,888	5,069,888
Outside Legal Services	1,150,000	1,150,000	-
Sales Tax Consultant (HDL)	650,000	650,000	-
Labor Negotiation Services (Burke, Williams and Sorensen, LLP)	370,000	370,000	-
Kinder Morgan Litigation	365,000	-	(365,000)
Design and Implementation of a new Disability Benefits program required as a result of the passage of Proposition B (Buck Consultants)	250,000	250,000	-
Stadium Planning Professional Services	250,000	-	(250,000)
Contingency	250,000	250,000	-
Disclosure Counsel (Hawkins Delafield And Wood LLP)	50,000	50,000	-
Traffic Stop Study	50,000	-	(50,000)
TOTAL	3,385,000	7,789,888	4,404,888

QUESTION:

Please provide a detailed breakdown of the membership Expenses within Citywide Program Expenditures.

RESPONSE:

As shown below, the FY 2017 Proposed Budget within Citywide Program for membership expenditures is \$735,000 which primarily consists of memberships with SANDAG, the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), and the League of California Cities.

Membership	FY 2016 ADOPTED	FY 2017 PROPOSED	CHANGE
Budget	735,000	735,000	-

Membership	Average Payment (FY 2015 and 2016)
SANDAG	335,000
Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)	200,000
League of California Cities	107,000
Miscellaneous	88,000
Total	730,000

ADA/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

QUESTION:

Can we receive regular updates from the ADA Department, as well as Public Works Department, as far as the status of projects underway?

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RESPONSE:

Public Works Department updates the City's CIP Website (<https://www.sandiego.gov/cip>) project information, including ADA on a monthly basis. As of April 29th, all project sheets on the CIP Website were updated to provide increased project information (Attachment 3). Additional project details can be provided upon request.

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Attachments:

1. Memorandum From Honorable Councilmember David Alvarez, dated May 4, 2016.
2. Consultant Services Agreement: City of San Diego and Keyser Marston Associates, Inc.
3. Memorandum Regarding Updated and Improved Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project Information Page, dated May 5, 2016.

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