



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 16, 2025

TO: Honorable Councilmember Henry Foster III, Budget Review Committee Chair,
and Honorable Budget Review Committee Members

FROM: Rolando Charvel, Department of Finance Director and City Comptroller

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Review Committee Referral Responses for May 7, 2025

This memorandum provides responses and/or follow up information to unanswered questions asked at the Budget Review Committee meeting held on May 7, 2025. The responses are listed by department in the order they were reviewed by the Committee.

Infrastructure Branch Overview

COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

QUESTION: (PUD) Please explore and provide feedback on the ability of the City to charge parking user fees, especially to non-residents, who use the area around the lakes for walking, biking, or other activities outside of water use.

RESPONSE: PUD is a part of the city's 2nd phase comprehensive parking study focused on charging for parking at non-public-right-of-way locations, such as recreation centers and libraries. Part of that study is looking at the limitations placed on assets that do not belong to the general fund but may have secondary general fund benefits, like the city's reservoirs.

PUD would note that controlling access to the city's lakes and reservoirs, especially in urban areas, is incredibly challenging due to the open nature of the existing facilities. Minimally, barriers would need to be built, and additional security measures implemented in order to limit unpaid access. PUD commits to working with the IBA and the City Attorney's office to fully study alternative fees that could support these services, as well as any associated costs for enforcement.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

QUESTION: (Stormwater) Please provide an update on the storm drain failure in the Carmel Mountain Ranch business community (12270 World Trade SD emergency project B25099).

RESPONSE: The City attorney is working with the property owner to finalize and execute the right of entry (ROE) permit which is expected to be executed within next couple of weeks. The contractor is ready to mobilize once the ROE permit is executed.

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COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION: (Transportation) How does Transportation plan to manage the Mill and Pave Teams in FY2026 given the need to maximize CIP reimbursement, and how does this level of CIP reimbursement impact what streets are repaved as part of the annual allocation within the CIP?

RESPONSE: Similar to Fiscal Year 2025, in Fiscal Year 2026 the in-house mill & pave team will be addressing streets in poor to failed condition. This team completed 20 lane miles in Fiscal Year 2025, the same year it was budgeted, and we are projecting completion of 30 lane miles in Fiscal Year 2026 assuming the Department gets approval to hire 7.00 FTE positions currently vacant and on hold due to the strategic hiring freeze. By utilizing the CIP funding for in-house teams, we are maximizing the number of miles to be completed via CIP at a more cost-effective rate, which is also helping reduce reliance on General Fund sources. The additional CIP reimbursement has not impacted our street selection approach.

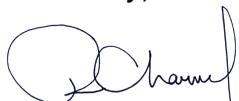
COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

QUESTION: (Transportation) Please provide the number of graffiti abatement/removal requests by Council District.

RESPONSE: The table below shows the number of abatements performed in Fiscal Year 2025 and in each Council District through May 9, 2025.

Council District	Number of Public Right-of-Way Abatements (City Forces)	Number of Private Property Abatements (Contracted Work)
1	686	17
2	1,972	344
3	8,711	222
4	2,740	985
5	123	11
6	251	52
7	437	76
8	2,028	664
9	4,378	906
Total	21,326	3,277

Sincerely,



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Department of Finance Director and City Comptroller

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