THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 1, 2014

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

FROM: Tracy McCraner, Financial Management Director

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2015 Proposed Budget Presentation Referral Response

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This memorandum is in response to questions asked at the City Council Meeting held on April 15, 2014. The responses are listed by department in the order the questions were asked by the Council Members.

LIBRARY

COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

QUESTION:
Provide more details on the nature of the after school program; describe the program, locations including council districts it will be implemented, who benefits from the program, and if funding is sufficient to meet the goals of the program.

RESPONSE:
Funding is sufficient to meet the goals of the after-school program. **Attachment 1** provides details about the program including estimated branch libraries by Council District.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

QUESTION:
Has the library coordinated with the school district for the after school programs? Did we reach out to the schools?

RESPONSE:
The department has had preliminary discussions with San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) managers for both Instructional Resources and Materials and Extended Learning Opportunities and there is strong interest and support for the program. Meetings are being scheduled with these managers, the Library's Youth Services Coordinator, and Deputy Director for branch libraries to examine the program in more detail.

TRANSPORTATION & STORM WATER DEPARTMENT

COUNCIL DISTRICT 3, 4 & 9

QUESTION
How much will be accomplished with the $1.4 million in sidewalks and street lights (i.e. number of streetlights, miles of sidewalks paved)?

RESPONSE:
The Transportation & Storm Water Department recommends that the $1.4 million in new General Funds in the Fiscal Year 2015 Proposed Budget for sidewalk and street light improvements be allocated by reviewing Mayoral/Council/Community priorities and distributed as follows:

- $400,000 for requested street lights
- $400,000 for missing sidewalks
- $400,000 for sidewalk repairs
- $200,000 to enhance the 50/50 cost sharing program ratio to 75% city/25% property owner for Fiscal Year 2015.

For additional context, below are funds in addition to the $1.4 million in new General Fund dollars discussed above for street and sidewalk infrastructure projects in the Fiscal Year 2015 Proposed Budget:

- $100,000 (TransNet) for requested street lights
- $400,000 (General Fund) for high-priority sidewalk repairs as identified during the sidewalk condition assessment. Additionally, the third capital bond issuance is anticipated to provide approximately $1.0 million for sidewalk repairs. This would increase total funding to $1.4 million for sidewalk repair and reconstruction in Fiscal Year 2015.
- $1.3 million ($1.1 million in TransNet and $250,000 in development impact fees) for missing sidewalks

Additionally, an estimated $1.9 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds may be available for neighborhood improvements including sidewalk and street light improvements in Fiscal Year 2015.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

QUESTION:
How many miles of roads will be paved with the infrastructure funding?

RESPONSE:
The Transportation & Storm Water Department plans to install approximately 95 miles of asphalt overlay and 125 miles of slurry in conjunction with the third deferred capital bond issuance. With a six-month delay in the bond issuance, the total miles installed is estimated at 60 miles of asphalt overlay and 125 miles of slurry. Without the issuance of this bond, the total number of miles installed is estimated to be 25 miles of asphalt overlay and 125 miles of slurry.

POLICE

COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 & 2

QUESTION:
Provide details on the $3.2 million police retention program.

RESPONSE:
The final version of the police retention program will appear before City Council the week of May 12-13.

PURCHASING & CONTRACTING

COUNCIL DISTRICT 7

QUESTION:
Regarding the positions for the prevailing wage program, how many positions are already budgeted for this program in Fiscal Year 2014? What is the increase in positions for Fiscal Year 2015?

RESPONSE:
The Equal Opportunity Contracting Program within the Purchasing & Contracting Department has 3.0 FTE positions budgeted in Fiscal Year 2014 that assumed the prevailing wage tasks in addition to their job responsibilities at approximately 50 percent of their total staff time. Following the adoption of the new Prevailing Wage Ordinance in Fiscal Year 2014, a total of nine (9) supplemental provisional positions were approved to support the new ordinance, which came into effect on January 1, 2014. In the Fiscal Year 2015 Proposed Budget, seven (7) of the nine (9) supplemental FTE positions were permanently added to support the Prevailing Wage Ordinance as well as partially offsetting revenue associated with the positions.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:
Provide an update on the funding status of the Old Otay Mesa Road project.

RESPONSE:
The estimated cost of the project increased from the original estimate in Fiscal Year 2013 due to various factors, including changes to the project scope and environmental permitting requirements.

The total project cost estimate is $11.3 million as follows:

- $7.1 million has been appropriated.
- $2.0 million in Otay Mesa Public Facilities Financing Plan funding will be transferred to the Old Otay Mesa Road project by June 2014.
- $2.2 million in TransNet funding will be budgeted to the project during the May Revision as a reallocation of TransNet funding from another project.

With this funding, staff is pushing to get this project into construction by the late winter of 2014. There are still lengthy environmental permitting requirements that need to be resolved that could cause delays. The construction is estimated to take approximately 18 months. Environmental permitting may require breeding/nesting monitoring, which would result in extending the construction schedule.

QUESTION:
Are the new walkways and sidewalk repairs the same?

RESPONSE:
The term "new walkways" refers to the installation of missing sidewalks. The term "sidewalk repairs" indicates the replacement of existing damaged/deteriorated sidewalks.

QUESTION:
Provide the Capital Improvement Program data in Excel format.

RESPONSE:
Attachment 2 provides details about project attributes and financials by funding source for the Fiscal Year 2015 Capital Improvement Program for all current projects as of December 31, 2013 in Excel format.

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Attachments:

1. Library After-School Program
2. FY15 Proposed CIP Budget Detail

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