

CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

September 20, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

Submitted By: Chris Diggs, Water Resources Director

SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FY 2021-22 CIP BUDGET

BY CREATING TWO NEW CIP PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-114 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FY 2021-22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET BY CREATING TWO NEW CIP PROJECTS: 1) THE "HYDRATION STATIONS UPGRADES," PROJECT NO. 528-2590-XXXXX-71073, AND BY APPROPRIATING \$57,425 OF WATER FUND RESERVES TO THE NEW PROJECT; AND, 2) THE "LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT - VARIOUS LOCATIONS," PROJECT NO. 428-2590-XXXXX-81059, AND BY APPROPRIATING \$230,000 OF SAFE CLEAN WATER FUND (MEASURE W) TO THE NEW PROJECT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Approval of the attached Resolution (Attachment 1) will create two new projects that will facilitate the construction of hydration stations and landscape improvements throughout the City. These improvements will include creating small park-like improvements located predominantly, but not exclusively, in parks. However, the improvements will be geared towards educating the public on the importance of water conservation and the importance of storm water collection.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of the recommended actions is to amend the CIP FY 2021-22 Budget by:

1) Appropriating \$57,425 of available Water Fund Reserves to the "Hydration Stations Upgrades," Project No. 528-2590-XXXXX-71073. The requested appropriation will leave the new CIP project partially funded, pending additional funding from State grants to be fully funded.

2) Appropriating \$230,000 of available Safe Clean Water (Measure W) Funds to the "Landscape Improvement – Various Locations," Project No. 428-2590-XXXXX-81059. The requested appropriation will leave the new CIP project fully funded.

PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:

None.

DISCUSSION:

As part of the educational component of both Measure W and the City's water conservation efforts staff is proposing to create two projects. These projects include the construction of hydration stations and small pocket park like areas located within the City's parks and in other areas, including street medians. The overarching theme of the projects is to educate the public on the importance of water conservation and retention and percolation of storm water. These improvements will include landscape improvements, signage, seating, planting of trees, and where possible infiltration basins. The end goal of the projects are to provide the public examples of alternative landscapes that are driven by the need to conserve water and minimize water runoff.

To effectuate this a landscape architect will be asked to design thematic landscapes that the public can employ at their homes and businesses. Plants that thrive with low water demands will be employed as much as possible. Additionally, the landscapes shall be attractive, lush, and present as many colors and textures as possible, and demonstrate to possibilities of what can be achieved when using drought tolerant planting materials.

Staff has already completed a survey of all existing drinking fountains located at City parks and facilities. Currently, a large amount of existing drinking fountains are not Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant or are not functioning properly. The existing drinking fountains will be replaced with a drinking fountain that includes a bottle filling assembly.

To assist in funding the hydration stations staff has been working with Metropolitan Water District (MWD) via the Three Valleys Municipal Water District. Initial project scoping information has been submitted for preliminary review and is expected to be considered for this FY 2021-22. When necessary, staff will return to Council for approval to meet eligibility requirements.

In addition, by including the bottle filling assembly, staff may also be eligible for additional grant funding through the State. Staff will also be working to receive reimbursement for the procurement of the drinking fountain units as grant funds become available.

COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:

This item supports City Council Priority 1: Fiscal and Operational Responsibility – Goal C: Obtain additional grant funding and other revenues to help achieve City goals, City Council Priority 4: Safe and Clean Community – Goal M: Improve safety and cleanliness at parks and public spaces, City Council Priority 5: Infrastructure – Goal O: Improve park facilities priority 1) ensuring that existing amenities are functioning; 3) adding trees; 4) improving ADA accessibility of all park facilities and equipment.

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ATTACHMENT:

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Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2021-114 with, Exhibits A, CIP Project Details Sheet-Hydration Project; and, Exhibit B, CIP Project Details Sheet-Landscape Project