HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2	24
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Introduced by Council Member

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA WATER AND WASTEWATER ARREARAGE PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER ARREARAGES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,514,975.36

WHEREAS, nearly \$1 billion in Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding has been allocated to the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to administer a program to reduce delinquent water and wastewater balances for customers experiencing financial hardships related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the SWRCB used this funding to establish the California Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program (CWWAPP), a program intended to provide relief to community water and wastewater systems for unpaid customer bills during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in December 2023, staff applied for funding through the CWWAPP a program administered by the SWRCB, to reduce delinquent water and wastewater balances for customers experiencing financial hardships related to the pandemic.

WHEREAS, the SWRCB provided community water systems the opportunity to apply for funding through the CWWAPP to cover their commercial and residential customer's drinking water arrearages incurred during the extended pandemic period, defined as June 16, 2021, to December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Hayward commercial and residential customers' eligible delinquent bills for drinking water totaled \$985,689.34; and

WHEREAS, Hayward commercial and residential customers' eligible delinquent bills for wastewater totaled \$485,160.53; and

WHEREAS, Hayward requested a total of \$1,514,975.36 through the CWWAPP, which included an additional 3%, or \$44,125.49, for costs to administer the program; and

WHEREAS, the SWRCB approved the City of Hayward's full request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hayward that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to accept up to \$1,514,975.36 from the California Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program (CWWAPP) administered by the State Water Resources Control Board for Drinking Water and Wastewater Arrearages.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these funds be appropriated to the Water Operating Fund 605 and Wastewater Operating Fund 610 so they may be spent in accordance with the requirements of the California Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program.

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		ATTEST:	City Clerk of the City of Hayward	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:				
City Attorney of the City of Hayward				

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