

**DATE:** April 22, 2025

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT:** Adopt a Resolution Approving the Sewer System Management Plan Update

## RECOMMENDATION

That City Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to approve the Sewer System Management Plan update (Attachment III).

## **SUMMARY**

The Statewide Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order WQ 2022-0103-DWQ effective June 5, 2023, requires sanitary sewer agencies, such as the City of Hayward to submit a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) every six years to comply with the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) waste discharge requirements. Staff prepared the Sewer System Management Plan update (Attachment III) for City Council's review and approval. The SSMP update will be finalized and submitted to SWRCB on May 2, 2025.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Sewer System Management Plan was last certified in 2019 and under the Statewide Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order WQ 2022-0103-DWQ, effective June 5, 2023, the SWRCB require agencies to update the SSMP every six years to comply with state regulations.

# **DISCUSSION**

Staff prepared an updated SSMP for City Council's review and approval. The final document will be submitted on May 2, 2025. The SSMP was last certified in 2019 and to maintain regulatory coverage, an updated SSMP must be approved and adopted by a local governing board at a public meeting and submitted to the California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) Sanitary Sewer System database by the agency's Legally Responsible Official.

The goals of the SSMP are:

- To protect public health and the environment through proper management of the public wastewater collection system.
- To professionally manage, operate and maintain all parts of the public wastewater collection system.
- To implement measures to minimize the frequency of sanitary sewer overflows.
- To provide adequate capacity to convey peak flows.
- To respond to and mitigate the impacts of sewer system overflows.
- To provide an effective and efficient guidance document for responding to and managing sewer collection system emergencies.

Updates to the SSMP include information on:

- How the City addressed climate action changes.
- The status of improvements to force mains and upgraded pumps.
- The updated sewer map.
- Computer maintenance management systems
- Flow monitoring

# **ECONOMIC IMPACT**

There is no economic impact on this action. This item is for review and approval only.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

This item is for review and approval only. There are no impacts on the General Fund.

## STRATEGIC ROADMAP

This agenda item is a routine operational item and does not relate to Strategic Roadmap.

## SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES

This item does not involve any sustainability features.

## PUBLIC CONTACT

No public contact was made for this agenda item.

# **NEXT STEPS**

If City Council approves this request, staff will submit the updated Sewer System Management Plan to the CIWQS Sanitary Sewer System database.

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