

# A small part of the July 13<sup>th</sup> Staff report to the City Council



**DATE:** July 13, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** City Manager

**SUBJECT** Federal Stimulus Expenditure Plan: Adopt a Resolution Approving the City of Hayward Federal Stimulus Expenditure Plan for \$38 million in Stimulus Funding and Authorizing Appropriation of \$18.9 million in Stimulus Funding for Year 1 Projects and Programs

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) approving the City of Hayward Federal Stimulus Expenditure Plan for \$38 million in stimulus funding and authorizing appropriation of \$18.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act stimulus funding for Year 1 projects and programs.

## SUMMARY

The recently passed America Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), also known as the COVID-19 Stimulus Package, included over \$65 billion in direct federal relief to cities in order to address the economic and fiscal impacts of the COVID crisis and to assist in the recovery of local communities. The City of Hayward is estimated to receive approximately \$38 million in local relief from the federal government to address the internal and external needs of the City associated with the COVID crisis. The funding will be delivered to the City in two payments: the first 50% or \$19 million within 30-60 days and the second 50% or \$19 million within 12 months, of which the City has already received its first payment of \$19 million. The funds are intended to be flexible to address a need in the City associated with the COVID-19 crisis and are expended by December 2024.

At the April 6, [2021](#) Council meeting<sup>1</sup>, City staff recommended splitting the funding into two major expenditure categories: (1) Community Safety & Economic Recovery; and (2) Fiscal Recovery & Stabilizing City Operations. The Community Safety & Economic Recovery category was intended to prioritize the external needs of the community in the areas of economic development; housing and homelessness programs; community and nonprofit programs and efforts; and enhanced clean-up and maintenance.

## SUMMARY OF FUNDING FOR YEAR 1 STIMULUS PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### *A. Support Public Health Expenditures, including Capitalizing Investments in Public Facilities to Meet Pandemic Operation Needs*

Project	Description	Year 1 Appropriation	Outreach & Review
Technology Investment in City Operations	Technology investments in City operations and facilities to facilitate safe return-to-work and greater remote participation in meetings, service provision and remote work	\$1,300,000	CIC review and recommendation
Building Safety Upgrades	Safety upgrades to City Hall to meet pandemic operational needs	\$300,000	CIC review and recommendation
Weekes Branch Feasibility Assessment	Initial assessment of facility needs for Weekes Branch Library	\$40,000	CIC review and recommendation
Fire Training Center Funding Gap	Fire Training Center funding gap, if needed	\$1,600,000	CIC review and recommendation
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,240,000</b>	



***D. Invest in Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure***



<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Year 1 Appropriation</b>	<b>Outreach &amp; Review</b>
Tech Lending Library	500 Chrome Books/hot spots and data plans for 3 years to expand broadband access to Hayward residents	\$388,000	CIC review and recommendation
Corporation Yard Renovation	Commence implementation of significant renovations to Corporation Yard to support utility infrastructure work	\$200,000	CIC review and recommendation
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$588,000</b>	

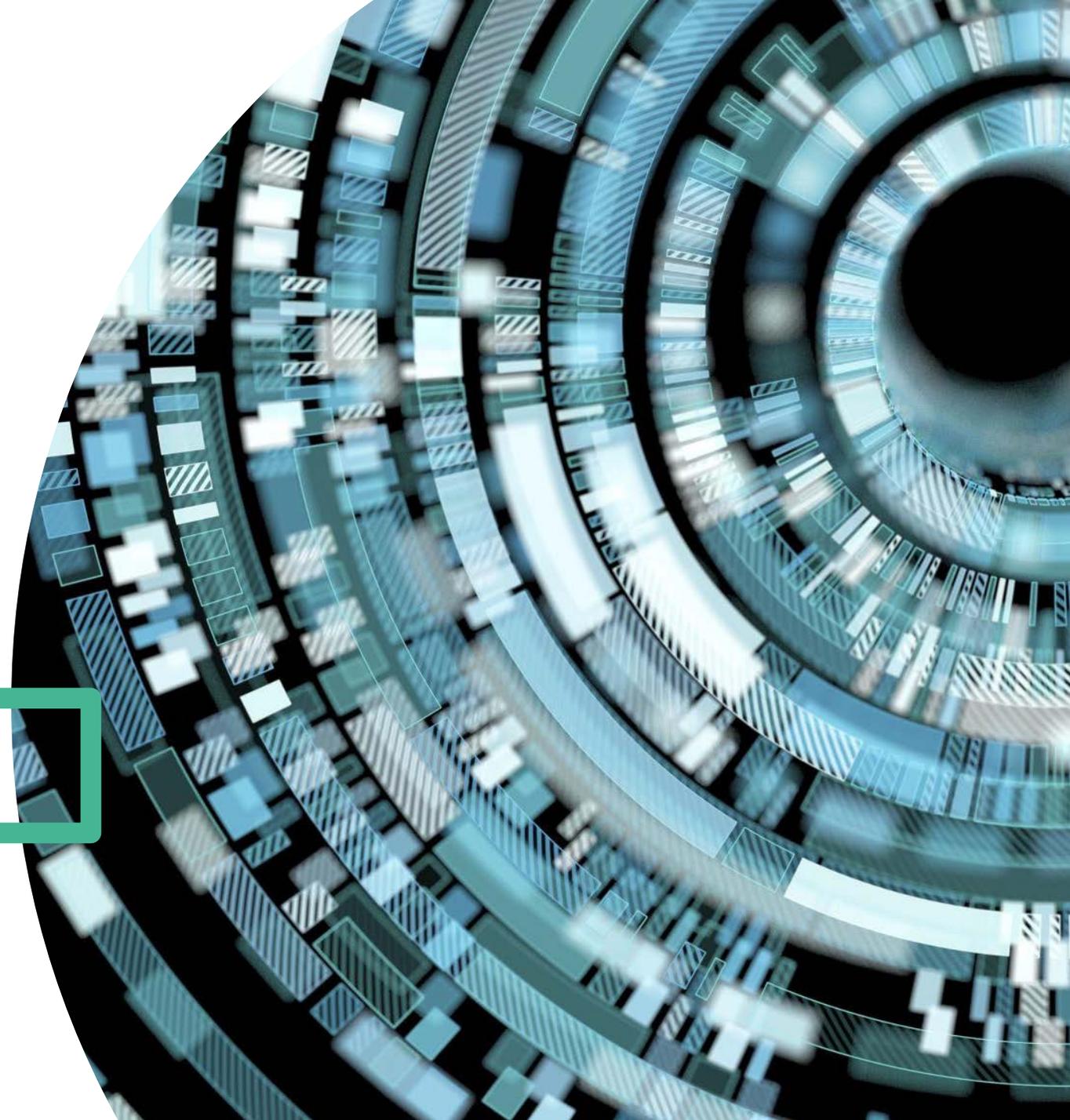
# Hayward Public Library



(Pre) Strategic Planning - June 2021

Focus of the sessions:

- Prepare Staff for Strategic Planning
  - Preliminary assessment of Value of Library
  - Seek Insights from Conversations with Stakeholders & Staff
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# Hayward Library... Stakeholder and Staff Perspectives

# Stakeholder Perceptions and Insights

- The Library is a strong part of the fabric of the community – An Exciting Threshold Moment
- Strong Relationships and Opportunities
- Educational Commitments and Ingenuity
- Commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity (IDEAL)
- "The Library facilitates and amplifies the work of others"
- Explore stakeholder ideas on how to better serve
- Explore areas for Growth in Staff skills

# Stakeholder Perceptions and Insights

- The City and Library Have a Great Relationship
- Contribution of the Library in the Education Area is Significant
- Library Service will continue to grow through Collaborations and Partnerships to Leverage our Resources and Increase our Impacts
- Staff are Very Diverse – “When You See Someone that Looks like you, you feel Welcome, and Represented and Comfortable”
- “The New Library Feels Like an Art Gallery – Just the Place I Want To Be!”

# Staff Perceptions and Insights

- Appreciative of Community Leadership and Investment in Education
- Willingness to Experiment and Learn
- Building Flexibility and "Ability to Pivot"
- Seeking New Opportunities and Learn New Methods for Engagement and Community Analyses
- On a Continuum of Managing Change and Growth in Skills
- Need to Invest More in Reflection and Lessons Learned
- Skills Building Opportunities are Sought and Welcomed (by most)

# Staff Perceptions and Insights

- We Are a Small System That. Is. Doing. Really. Big. Things.
- We Collaborate and Work Collectively
- Need More Staff to Allow us to Do More in the Community
- Being Inclusive is Key
- Our Shelves are the Frontline and We can Capitalize on That
- Our Director Makes us Feel Valued and That We Can Speak Up