



# CITY OF HAYWARD

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**DATE:** January 18, 2022

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Fire Chief

### **SUBJECT**

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate \$242,865 in Grant Funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Creation of Defensible Space in the Hayward Hills Project

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$242,865 in grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the creation of defensible space in the Hayward Hills Project (Defensible Space Project).

### **SUMMARY**

In October 2020, the Hayward Fire Department was awarded a pre-planning grant of \$21,132 to conduct a defensible space campaign, strengthen partnerships, and plan out the demonstration process. After careful planning across three departments, the City successfully completed phase I of the three-year project and was awarded an additional \$242,865 by FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) to prepare for and implement a large-scale project, *Creation of Defensible Space in the Hayward Hills and Five Canyons*. The scope of work for the project consists of creating a full-scale outreach campaign to educate the Hayward and Fairview communities on wildfire behavior, the importance of defensible space for wildfire mitigation, and to demonstrate how to create defensible space. The project is focused on the Ward Creek Drainage area and demonstrations will be visible in a high-trafficked area.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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|----------------|--------------------|
| Attachment I   | Staff Report       |
| Attachment II  | Resolution         |
| Attachment III | Fire Safety Mailer |