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Attachments: Survey-OpenEnds.pdf

Good afternoon-

Please see Council questions on tonight's agenda along with staff responses.

Thanks-
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Item 4: 880/92 Reliever Route Contract Award:

Council Question: Is the Alameda County Source Reduction and Recycling Board grant outside of the budget for this project (i.e. not included)?

Staff Response: Yes, this task which is outside of scope of project, is funded by the Recycling Board grant and is above and beyond project budget.

Council Question: I appreciate the placement of fiber optic conduit in this project. I also understand that traffic levels do not require improvements at Clawiter at this time. Is there capacity either in this contract, or others for lower level aesthetic improvements to this area? It is a gateway to our city and needs attention.

Staff Response: Funding is not available within this project to do additional aesthetic improvements to Clawiter Road. If the Council wanted to make these improvements, funds would need to be reprioritized and reprogrammed from other planned projects.

Council Question: I'm not clear on the request for the \$1.2 million. I understand that \$835,000 was approved by Council in November and the current bid for consideration is in line/lower than the engineer's estimate. Please clarify the request and how this impacts available funds in Street Improvements and Sewer.

Staff Response: We are requesting an allocation of \$1.24M from the Street Systems Improvement Fund in order to encumber adequate funds to award the project construction contract. Of this amount, \$530K will be reimbursed from the Sewer Fund for the cost of the Non-Potable Water line installation item that has been included in the project as an added alternative. The remaining \$710K will come from the Street Improvements fund. The additional \$835,000 approved by Council in November was for the design consultant's professional services agreement with \$540K for additional R-O-W services support and \$295K for construction support.

Council Question: I appreciate the ongoing community contact as well as the complete streets approach to this project. Any chance the ladder crosswalks noted on page 6 of 7 of the staff report could be the piano key version?

Staff Response: Crosswalks in the industrial area of the City are intended to have standard ladder markings. Piano crosswalks, which cost more than standard ones to install and maintain, are more appropriate for the areas near downtown, schools, shopping centers, etc.

Council Question: On Tuesday Middle Lane, 'modifying traffic signals at Hesperian and Middle Lane' is included. It does not mention if it includes left turn signals.

Staff Response: Improvements at Hesperian/Middle intersection will include adding left turn arrows for easier access in and out of that neighborhood. This was an identified improvement as part of the original traffic study for project's environmental document.

In addition to these Council questions on the Reliever Route project, the Council also received email correspondence from Mr. Quimbao (OQ Enterprises) regarding the construction timing on the project. Here is the staff response to his concerns:

OQ Enterprises has accepted a generous settlement from the City. The agreement calls for the City to have its contractor meet with OQ's contractors within ten business days after the contract award to coordinate construction schedules. It also calls for the City to ensure driveway access between West Winton Avenue and the remodeled station, sufficient both for fuel deliveries and for customer access, if OQ's contractors finish the station remodel before the City's contractors finish the street. City staff is working with Mr. Quimbao to coordinate the construction schedules for the 880/92 Reliever Route improvements and his extensive private development remodel. When Mr. Quimbao's tenant asked about the project's schedule duration, he was told that a "very conservative estimate was six to eight months". While most of the work should be completed in a much shorter period and we don't expect the work to take that long, there may be extenuating circumstances beyond our control that extend the time of the work. Coordination with PG&E and AT&T, and long lead material deliveries, such as traffic signal poles, may cause some portions of the work to be delayed. At this time, staff is not aware of any potential issues that may significantly impact access to or around Mr. Quimbao's business.

Because contractors don't prepare schedules until a contract has been awarded, we do not have exact timing information to share with Mr. Quimbao. However, staff has contacted Mr. Quimbao, the City's contractor (O. C. Jones), and PG&E to arrange a meeting to discuss and coordinate project activities. The meeting is tentatively set for March 3 or March 4. Staff will continue to work with Mr. Quimbao and O. C. Jones to minimize any inconvenience to property owners, residents and motorists during construction.

Item 5: Acceptance of Grant for Runway Paving:

Council Question: Given that the previous contractor used sub-standard materials, why hasn't the City sued them for breach of contract? Or prosecuted them for creating dangerous conditions for air travelers? Or in some other way held them responsible for their failure? Is there truly no recourse?

Staff Response: Public Works and the City Attorney's Office met today to discuss the availability of a legal remedy. There are many issues to consider in determining if the City has a viable claim against the former contractor including: the solvency of the contractor, warranty issues, the specifications for the asphalt mix, and the timing surrounding the discovery of the defect. Public Works is currently assembling the necessary documents for a determination regarding the feasibility of legal action. The City Attorney's office will be reviewing the documents in order to report back to Council with its findings and recommendations.

The possibility of a legal action to redress the problem with the prior pavement does not affect the acceptance of the grant funding. Staff is therefore continuing to recommend the approval of the resolution accepting the Department of Transportation's grant.

Item 6: Homework Support Services Agreement:

Council Question: I understand the homework program will be expanding to two more sites. Can you please list all of the sites and indicate which are new? Also, how are these sites selected?

Staff Response: The homework tutoring centers were started in 2009 at the Main Library, and have expanded since then to operate at twelve sites. The current sites are: Hayward Main Library, Weekes Branch Library, Harder Elementary, Park Elementary, Longwood Elementary, Southgate Elementary, Lorin Eden Elementary, MLK Middle, Chavez Middle, and Winton Middle. Two new sites are opening at Hayward High and Tennyson High next month.

All sites are jointly selected by Hayward Library and HUSD according to need, location, and other considerations like available space, other programs onsite, etc. Six of the school sites, including the two high school sites, are identified in the Hayward Promise Neighborhood grant project. The four school sites west of I-880 (Longwood, Southgate, Lorin Eden, and MLK) are operated by the City under a contract with HUSD.

Council Question: I appreciate the collaborative intent of this effort. Is the behavioral issues training for the staff/contractor/volunteers consistent with that being implemented at the district?

Staff Response: Yes

Council Question: How is the efficacy of the tutoring program tracked and what have been the results over the past year?

Staff Response: The program's performance is tracked by testing the students when they enter the program, then testing them again after one scholastic year in the program. Average test score improvement after one year ranges from 9% to 13%.

Council Question: Is it anticipated that this service will continue past June, 2015?

Staff Response: Yes

Item 7: Marketing/Branding:

Council Question: In Attachment II (packet pages 172-3), what were the top answer choices for questions 6 and 7?

Staff Response: There were 1,750 open ended responses. Staff has created the attached word cloud so Council can see those responses that appeared more frequently (the larger words) than others.

TEXT ANALYSIS: HAYWARD BRAND SURVEY OPEN-ENDS

Slide 3, Survey 1a

Name three things about Hayward that would most likely surprise people who aren't familiar with the city:

Hayward, CA

Town Murals History University
 Hills Japanese Garden Location Housing
 Hayward Community Downtown
 Bay Area Parks College Restaurants East Bay
 Weather College Shoreline

Shoreline Community College
 East Bay Hills East Bay Restaurants BART
 Downtown Bay Area Hayward
 Weather Parks Loop Location Murals
 Schools Golf Course Lots Housing Trails Beautiful
 Business

History Street Hills Town
 Restaurants Community Shopping
 Bay Lots Parks Loop Downtown
 Airport Hayward BART College Shopping
 Schools Farmers Market Nice Airports Housing
 Location Businesses

Slide 4, Survey 1a

If you were an ambassador of the City of Hayward showing a visitor to the City's best places or qualities, where would you take the person?

Hayward, CA

Town Restaurants Cal State East Bay
 B Street Downtown Stonebrae Chabot College
 Shoreline Japanese Garden
 Farmers Market Hayward Center Downtown
 Hills City Hall
 Garin Park
 Buffalo Bills Cal State East Bay
 CSUEB

B Street Buffalo Bills
 Restaurants City Hall CSU
 Japanese Gardens Historical Society
 Downtown CSUEB Hayward
 Kennedy Park Shoreline Chabot College
 Hills Farmers Market Garin Park Golf Course
 Cal State East Bay Museum
 Trails

Stonebrae B Street
 Buffalo Bills East Bay Restaurants
 Farmers Market Shoreline Trail Park Creek
 Hayward Museum Downtown Airport
 Cal Historical Society Japanese Garden
 City Hall CSUEB