



## CITY OF CORONA **2023** FINANCIAL PRIORITIES

### Section 1. Community Services

#### **1.1 Project: Community Recreation Complex Aquatics Facility**

A facility containing a community center, aquatic facilities, and lighted sports fields for recreational sports. The facility is needed to meet the increase in demand from City and County residents for sports fields.

- **Cost:** Approximately \$50 Million
- **Lead Department:** Community Services

#### **1.2 Project: Park Improvements**

An assessment was performed at all City parks to determine park condition, amenities, parking availability, irrigations and lighting efficiencies. The following projects were identified to improve safety, efficiency and enjoyment of the City Parks: Park Facilities – Install or improve restrooms and picnic structures; Parks Hardscape Improvements – Improve and expand parking lots, sidewalks, curbs and gutters; Parks Irrigation Improvements – Improve and expand parks irrigation systems to improve efficiency, lower electric costs and reduce water consumption; Parks Lighting Improvements – Improve and expand parks lighting facilities to improve efficiency, lower electric costs and provide better coverage.; Parks Enhanced Amenities – Addition of playgrounds, sports fields, sports courts and shelters.

- **Cost: Approximately \$18 Million**
- **Lead Department:** Community Services

#### **1.3 Project: Historic Civic Center Renovation: Interior Sprinkler System**

In 2005 and 2006, the City received EDI grant funds which were used for improvements to the Historic Community Room and Theater. At the Historic Community Room, a new heating and air conditioning system and electrical upgrades are needed. Additionally, because of the potential on-going uses within the building for offices and assembly areas, upgrades to the building are always being evaluated to maintain the long-term use of this building given its status as a historic resource. Therefore, an interior building sprinkler system is needed to minimize potential fire damage to the building.

- **Cost:** \$1,250,000 for Community Room upgrades and sprinkler system for the entire building.
- **Lead Department:** Community Services

#### 1.4 Project: Historic Civic Center Renovation

To maintain the Historic Civic Center at a modern standard level of use, several significant infrastructure, safety, and technologic elements are required. Areas of focus include updated electric, data lines, HVAC, security, lighting controls, structural assessment and/or replacement (ex. pergolas over walkways), sustainable landscape, upgraded theater technology, as well as signage and/or digital marquee to communicate current tenants, services, and events taking place within the facility. This project also plays into Downtown Revitalization Plan adding to the beautification of the Sixth Street corridor, the current Performing Arts Center Feasibility Study, as well as this structure's 100-year anniversary (September 2023). Estimates conducted by city engineers anticipate a project of this scale within \$12-15 million dollars to maintain this Corona heritage site at a functional standard for years to come. An initial \$200,000 is required for project assessment and development of a professional standard work plan. The Historic Civic Center renovation would encompass the hiring of a consultant to design and provide insight that would encompass a full-scale look into the project. The consultant would assess the electrical, plumbing, structural rehab on the buildings and breezeway pergolas, state-of-the-art theater lighting and controls as well as the landscaping. The timeline for this project would take approximately one year at a cost of \$200,000.00. The next steps would include bidding the project and construction. Once this phase takes place, the City would hire a contractual project manager to oversee the project and anticipate the provided engineers' estimates for the cost of a project of this scale to range from \$12 – 15 million dollars. Additionally, areas that have been discussed as a focus were the following: security lighting assessment/installation of lighting, security camera systems, turf removal (along Sixth St.), a structural assessment of the canopy walkway between the main building and detached building, an assessment of Suite 110, and signage.

- **Cost:** Approximately \$15,000,000
- **Lead Department:** Community Services/Maintenance Service

#### 1.5 Project: Corona Airport Improvements and Lease Extension

Corona Municipal Airport is a 110-acre General Aviation Airport that is in need of aeronautical infrastructure improvements to comply with accepted standards and FAA regulations. Improvements include; runway, taxiway, safety area and apron rehabilitation, slurry coating and markings, upgrades to airfield electrical, and airfield security enhancements.

- **Cost:** \$3 million
- **Lead Department:** Public Works/Community Services

#### 1.6 Project: Santa Ana River Trail

The Santa Ana River Trail (SART), once completed, is expected to comprise approximately 110 miles from the San Bernardino National Forest to the Pacific Ocean in Huntington Beach. It will link three counties and many communities along the way. Portions of the trail will be accessible to all users and will include Class I and II bikeways and pedestrian paths as well as decomposed granite trails for hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrians, other parts will remain largely untamed. SART is anticipated to be one of Southern California's most important recreational amenities. SART partners include counties, cities, flood control, water, and recreation districts, the state, and others. To date the trail is approximately 60% complete. There are two significant gaps in the trail. One of those gaps is the several mile stretch through Corona and Norco. . This section is located primarily on federal land with a section of the trail traversing various portions immediately adjacent to the city streets of Norco and Corona. These undeveloped phases (one of which includes a proposed rest area along Auto Center Drive) are needed to eliminate this gap in the trail and connect area residents to other trails and trail users, provide non-motorized transit between counties and ease regional traffic burdens, and expand recreational access to millions of Southern California residents.

- **Cost:** total costs are unknown at this time
- **Currently Funded:** partially (multi-agency involvement)
- **Lead Department:** Community Services/Public Works

~~**Project: City of Corona Griffin Park Renovation Phase II**~~

~~After being closed for nearly 13 years, Griffin Park was recently re-opened with limited amenities that included an ADA compliant lighted sidewalk, picnic seating area and small and large dog park. Much of the park remains undeveloped, however, and additional funding is required to help complete the unique 13-acre site. Phase II improvements for Griffin Park will include a new playground, additional shade structures and vistas, benches, an additional picnic area and new lighted pathways for nature walk. The site will be restored to include habitat for both native flora and also a butterfly sanctuary, including informational signage.~~

- ~~● **Requested Amount:** \$2 million~~
- ~~● **Lead Department:** Community Services~~

**Section 2. Economic Development**

~~**2.1 Project: Corona Innovation Center**~~

~~The City of Corona has had a longtime interest in creating an innovation center to house economic development resource partners and incubate startup businesses. To move forward with this effort, the City is seeking state and/or federal dollars to secure and renovate a facility that can serve as the Corona Innovation Center. The facility will help ensure that Corona maintains its economic position in the inland empire and continues fostering business innovation through developing science, technology, and research-driven enterprises for the region.~~

- ~~● **Cost:** \$2.5 million~~
- ~~● **Lead Department:** Economic Development~~

**Section 3. Homeless Solutions**

**3.1 Project: Santa Ana River Bottom Encampment Response Plan (SARB ERP)**

The Santa Ana River Bottom Encampment Response Plan is a multi-jurisdictional and multi-disciplinary collaborative that involves the cities of Corona, Eastvale, Jurupa Valley, Norco, and Riverside as well as multiple County Agencies, US Army Corps of Engineers, US Fish and Wildlife Services, Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority and Orange County Water and Flood Control Districts.

The SARB ERP Collaborative has three Working Groups: 1. Public Safety, 2. Homeless Encampment Response, and 3. Facilities and Habitat.

The SARB ERP Collaborative has four primary goals: 1. Rehouse Existing Homeless Encampment Residents, 2. Remove and Mitigate Physical Encampments, 3. Conduct Clean-Up and Habitat Restoration, and 4. Establish strategies to prevent reoccurrence of homeless encampments.

Funding priorities should support the three Working Groups and facilitate implementation of the four goals.

- **Cost:** total costs are unknown at this time
- **Currently Funded:** Partially (multi-agency involvement)

- **Lead Department:** City of Corona in collaboration with the County and Cities in the Western Region

## **Section 4. Public Safety**

### **4.1 Project Body-Worn and In-Car Camera Enhancement**

In 2012, the police department launched its in car camera program, which was followed by a body-worn camera program in 2016. Due to age and technological advances, the devices for these programs are near their end of service life. Funding is needed to replace said equipment

- Cost: \$1.5-2.5 million
- Lead Department: Police

### **4.2 Project: Funding for Training Facility**

Funding is being sought to build a training facility that will facilitate advanced officer training for local and regional police officers. The California Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission requires certain perishable skills are maintained and performed routinely. The department has identified a gap in training space for slow-speed driving, defensive tactics, and advanced officer movement training, such as active shooter environments. A training center will enhance the ability of regional officers to train together and improve mutual aid response at a local, county, or state level.

- Cost: TBD
- Lead Department: Police

### **4.3 Project: Funding of Artificial Intelligence Resources to assist in Criminal Investigations**

As technology improves the need for enhanced artificial intelligence is prioritized to assist law enforcement identify criminals and solve violent and non-violent crimes. Additional computer aided technology will allow the police department to conduct more efficient investigations utilizing the equipment as a force multiplier for our officers.

- **Cost:** TBD
- **Lead Department:** Police

### **4.4 Project: Emergency Operations Center Infrastructure Enhancement**

Funding is needed for infrastructure enhancements to the City's Emergency Operations Center. Core functions conducted in an Emergency Operations Center include but are not limited to logistics management, resource support, public emergency warning coordination, external affairs/public information collection and dissemination, mass care, housing and human services coordination. All of these functions are required to effectively and efficiently communicate both internally and externally. The City Emergency Operations Center does not currently have the infrastructure to adequately support some of these functions.

- **Cost:** \$400,000
- **Lead Department:** Police, Fire, and IT

### **Project: Replacement of Special Response Team Mobile Equipment Unit/ Command Post**

The current City of Corona Special Response Unit is used by the Police Department. It was originally purchased in 2004 and it is fourteen years old. A new unit would replace the older one and is a critical operations vehicle as it would ensure reliability. This vehicle is essential as it carries vital equipment and acts as a command post vehicle during incidences such; as active shooter, hostage situations,

barricaded suspects and other tactical operations would require use of a specialize unit.

- ~~Cost: \$400,000~~
- ~~Lead Department: Police~~

#### **Project: Develop a Community Wildland Protection Plan (CWPP)**

~~Wildland-urban interface (WUI) fires are an enduring community problem. In Corona, the fire service has the authority and responsibility to provide for life safety and protection of property. As fire service leaders, along with this operational response, we have the authority and responsibility to work with cooperators and property owners to mitigate wildfire risk. In addition to protecting life and property, wildfire mitigation can also improve firefighter safety as well as help protect at-risk populations, critical infrastructure, cultural sites, and natural resources. The City of Corona desires to develop a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP would outline a mitigation and preparedness plan to work toward reducing wildfire risk. The CWPP reinforces collaborative relationships with federal and state agencies as well as local stakeholders before an event occur. The CWPP also documents planning and projects for garnering grant success. Establishment of a CWPP directly aligns with the city's desire to create a Firesafe Council.~~

- ~~Cost: \$150,000~~
- ~~Lead Department: Fire~~

### **Section 5. Public Utility**

#### **5.1 Project: Reclaimed Water Reservoirs**

Construct two reservoirs within the City's service area to store reclaimed water. This will enable the City to provide additional reclaimed water and reduce the discharge of unused reclaimed water. Reclaimed water reservoirs will also reduce the demand for potable water from the State water system.

- **Cost:** \$9.5 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.2 Project: Desalter Facility**

Construct a desalter facility which uses membrane treatment technology to remove dissolved solids (salts) from groundwater having a moderately high total dissolved solids (TDS) level. This will allow the DWP to produce additional potable water while complying with TDS water quality standards for both drinking water and wastewater discharge after use. Permeate from the membranes is mixed with a well water bypass stream before being pumped to various points in the water distribution system for delivery to the water customers. The TDS that are removed in the treatment process are disposed of via the Santa Ana Regional Interceptor Pipeline operated by the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA).

- **Cost:** \$30 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.3 Project: GAC Treatment Facility**

Construct a GAC Treatment facility that uses granular activated carbon (GAC) to remove contaminants of concern such as PFAS and 1,2,3-TCP from groundwater. This will allow the DWP to produce additional potable water while complying with PFAS and TCP water quality standards for both drinking water and wastewater discharge after use. Saturated carbon media will be treated and regenerated for reuse at an approved disposal facility.

- **Cost:** \$30 million

- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.4 Project: Water Reclamation Facility #2, Lift Station Improvements**

Replace electrical and control systems, piping and structure. Improve mechanical systems.

- **Cost:** \$4.0 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.5 Project: Water Reclamation Facility #1, Improvements and Expansion**

Install one gravity belt thickener, one belt press, and four additional digesters to maximize capacity. Construct a new grit chamber to increase the capacity to 43.5 million gallons per day (MGD). Add additional tertiary filters needed for additional capacity. Expand clarifier capacity to greater than 15.16 MGD and add capacity to the chlorine tank to exceed 15.786 MGD.

- **Cost:** \$25 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.6 Project: Lift Station Replacement Project**

Replace existing lift station pumps at the following lift stations: Griffin, Sierra Del Oro, Prado, McKinley, Stagecoach and Airport.

- **Cost:** \$12 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.7 Project: Sewer Main Replacement**

Replace approximately 1,047 linear feet of 15" pipe and 1,500 linear feet of 18" pipe on Green River Road with the opportunity to run fiber along with the sewer main.

- **Cost:** \$4.2 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

#### **5.8 Project: West End Well Field Development**

Develop a new well field in the west end area of the City of Corona. The well field will consist of a series of new municipal ground water wells and a transmission pipeline to convey the well water to the existing desalter or a new desalter or ion exchange facility. The new well field will be able to extract the groundwater that the City of Corona is using to recharge the Temescal basin. The ability to extract additional groundwater from our basin will reduce our dependency on imported water.

- **Cost:** \$15 million
- **Lead Department:** Utilities

### **Section 6. Transportation**

#### **6.1 Project: Ontario Avenue Widening at I-15 Improvements between Compton Avenue and State Street**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for local and regional transportation projects, especially those which increase the capacity and public safety of Interstate 15 in the Corona area.

**Cost:** Approximately \$10 million

**Lead Agency:** City of Corona

#### **6.2 Project: Magnolia Avenue Widening at Temescal Wash**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for local and regional transportation projects, especially those which increase the capacity and public safety within the City of Corona.

**Cost:** Approximately \$10 million

**Lead Agency:** City of Corona

### **6.3 Project: Interstate 15 Corridor Improvement Project in Corona**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for regional transportation projects, especially those which improve operations, increase the capacity or public safety of Interstate 15 and the various interchanges and on/off ramps associated with the project in the Corona area. RCTC plans to fund the project through Measure A and toll funding, but Measure A funds are dwindling and uncertain at this time.

- **Cost:** Approximately \$175 million
- **Lead Agency:** Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)

### **6.4 Project: State Route EB91 Improvements between I-15 and Pierce**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for regional transportation projects, especially those which increase the capacity and public safety of the State Route 91 in the Corona area.

- **Cost:** Approximately \$31 million
- **Lead Agency:** Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)

### **6.5 Project: State Route EB91 Improvements between SR-71 and SR-241**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for regional transportation projects, especially those which increase the capacity and public safety of the State Route 91 between the SR-71 and SR-241 in the Corona area.

- **Cost:** TBD
- **Lead Agency:** Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)

### **6.6 Project: Interstate 15 Express Lane Southern Extension from Cajalco Road to Route 74/Central Avenue**

Support efforts to provide State and Federal funding for regional transportation projects, especially those which increase the capacity and public safety of Interstate 15 in the Corona area.

**Cost:** Approximately \$660 million

**Lead Agency:** Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)

### ~~**6.7 Project: Corona Airport Improvements and Lease Extension**~~

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- ~~▪ **Cost:** \$3 million~~
- ~~▪ **Lead Department:** Public Works/Community Services~~