



STAFF REPORT
3/9/2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Celina Jimenez, Grants Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution 2022-27 Authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the California State Library for Budget Act of 2021 (SB 129) funding in the amount of \$5,250,000 for the Library Annex Project with a total project budget of \$6,000,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

- Adopt Resolution 2022-27, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Coachella, California, Authorizing the City Manager to submit and execute a Budget Act of 2021 (SB 129) Grant Application to the California State Library in the amount of \$5,250,000 for the Library Annex Project with a total project budget of \$6,000,000.
- Authorize appropriation of \$750,000 from General (Fund 101) for local match for the Library Annex Project.

BACKGROUND:

The Budget Act of 2021 (SB 129) allocated \$439 million in one-time funds to the California State Library to address life-safety and critical maintenance needs of public library facilities throughout California. This competitive grant program prioritizes funding for local library facilities located in high poverty areas of the state. The maximum grant application amount per library facility is \$10 million

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On February 23, 2022, City Council was presented the Library Annex Grant Funding Opportunity with four project scope options for the application. City Staff is recommending applying for grant funding with the project scope of option 3 to address critical systems infrastructure renovations of the [nearly] century-old Coachella Library Annex (the building was built in 1927). The Library Annex building is currently owned by the City of Coachella and functions as an extended annex facility of the Coachella Branch Library operated by the County of Riverside.

These improvements will significantly improve the infrastructure of the building and enhance service for all patrons. The Library Annex will feature dedicated and flexible spaces for programming, along with individual reading areas for adults, children, and teens. The Library

Annex will also undergo remodeling, transforming it into public space and providing new opportunities for additional programs and services. The Library Annex will also feature state-of-the-art space, including improved digital capabilities. The renovation project will also include ADA accessibility, rehabilitate the lobby, upgrade the restrooms, update HVAC, plumbing, electrical systems (to possibly net-zero and LEED Gold certified), flooring, roof replacement or foundation repair, and other seismic retrofitting improvements.



FISCAL IMPACT:

Standard grant applications require a dollar for dollar match; however, the City of Coachella can qualify for a reduction of up to 100% of matching funds. City Staff recommends applying with a reduced local match of 12.5% in order to optimize the competitiveness of the grant application.

The Library Annex Project is proposed to be funded with the following appropriations:

Fund:	Amount:
Budget Act of 2021 (SB 129)	\$5,250,000
General (Fund 101)	\$750,000
<i>Total Project Cost</i>	<i>\$6,000,000</i>

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 2022-27
2. Proposed Annex Project Budget