

STAFF REPORT 8/6/2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Lincoln Bogard, Finance Director

Ruben Ramirez, Controller

SUBJECT: Resolution No. WA-2025-02, Approving the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Coachella

Water Authority Annual Budget

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution WA-2025-02, approving the Coachella Water Authority's annual budget and organizational structure for fiscal year 2025-2026.

BACKGROUND:

The Water Authority's revenue budget projects total revenues of approximately \$8.26 million, which represents a decrease of 5.77% over the prior fiscal year. The decrease in revenue is largely due to projected decreases in interest, grants, and other revenues and transfers in.

The Authority's expenditures are projected to be \$8.03 million, net of principal payments, which is 8.85% greater than last year. This is due to increases in administrative costs when compared to the prior fiscal year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budget impact in chart on next page. Recommended classification changes are: (1) add one FTE Water Service Worker I, and (2) reclass one-half FTE from Utility Manager to Utility Director. This change occurred in Fiscal Year 2024-25, but was not included in the resolution approving the budget change.

	Projected 2023-24	Budget 2024-25
Beginning Net Position		
Restricted	\$ 10,006,198	\$10,006,198
Unrestricted	1,690,612	3,086,385
Total Beginning Net Position	11,696,810	13,092,583
Revenues		
Connection Fees	-	733,598
Utility Service	6,900,000	6,759,209
Ground Water Replenishment	-	550,000
Interest, Grants , & Other Revenue	1,868,962	220,000
Total Revenue	8,768,962	8,262,807
Expenditures		
Operating Costs	3,526,148	3,566,684
Administrative Costs	3,296,082	3,936,142
Debt Service - Interest Payments	550,960	522,731
Total Expenditures	7,373,190	8,025,558
Surplus (Deficit)	1,395,773	237,249
Ending Net Position		
Restricted	10,006,198	10,739,796
Unrestricted	3,086,385	2,590,036
Total Ending Net Position	\$ 13,092,583	\$13,329,832

EXHIBITS:

Resolution WA-2025-02

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Proposed Budget

Five Year Capital Improvement Plan