



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

FROM: Laura Blaker – Library Director

DATE OF MEETING: November 3, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Strategic Planning – Library CIP Project Prioritization – 2026 thru 2036

DISCUSSION:

Strategic planning is a critical process that establishes a long-term vision for the City and its departments, ensuring that development and investment decisions are part of a coordinated, forward-looking strategy. An updated plan is vital for informed decision-making, enabling the City of Independence to position itself more competitively for future state and federal funding. The following projects represent the Library's proposed capital improvements, which need to be prioritized to guide Staff as we work to prepare the upcoming 10-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Proposed Utilities CIP Projects

The following are the proposed projects for the Strategic Planning discussion:

- Library/Lee Mansion Park
- Library Furniture Updates
- Library Facility Updates

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends discussion of this topic. No action is needed at this meeting, as any decision items needed would be brought forward to a City Council meeting for approval.