



City of Needles, California Request for City Council Action

☒ CITY COUNCIL ☒ NPUA ☒ HACN ☒ Regular ☐ Special

Meeting Date: May 27, 2025

Title: Budget Workshop - Presentation and discussion of the City Manager's Proposed Budgets for the City of Needles, Cemetery, Grant Funds, Sanitation, Golf Course, Internal Service Funds, Transit Funds, Successor Agency to the Needles Redevelopment Agency, Housing (HACN), and NPUA for the fiscal year ending 06/30/26.

Background: The City Manager, Director of Finance and Department Managers developed the budget as required by the City Charter. The Proposed Budgets were reviewed by the Council Budget Committee on May 15, 2025.

General Fund Version 1 is attached. The second page of the General Fund budget lists the major changes in the General Fund. Included across department budgets are an estimated 10% increase in healthcare costs and increases for salary and related costs.

Street Projects in the amount of \$2,300,000 are included in the budget. A list of capital projects for FY 26-30 that will improve efficiency or level of services, or enhance the community's visual condition is also included.

The projected cash reserves for June 30, 2026 are \$1,229,645 which is approximately 10.2% of operating expenses.

The Utility Board discussed the attached NPUA draft preliminary budget at their May 20, 2025 meeting, and recommended the budget for NPUA approval.

Once Council has reviewed the proposed budget and provided direction, a public hearing will be scheduled for June 10, 2025. As per City Charter Section 1105, the budget shall be adopted on or before June 30 each year.

Fiscal Impact: See attached spreadsheets

Recommended Action: Direction to proceed with the Budget process and schedule the matter for a public hearing and action on June 10, 2025 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

Submitted By: Barbara DiLeo, Acting Director of Finance

City Manager Approval: Patrick J. Martinez Date: 5/22/2025

Other Department Approval (when required): _____ Date: _____

Approved: ☐ Not Approved: ☐ Tabled: ☐ Other: ☐