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**CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

Meeting: April 13, 2023

Subject

Consider the Monthly Treasurer's Report for February 2023

Recommended Action

Receive the Monthly Treasurer's Report for February 2023

Reasons for Recommendation

**Background**

California Government Code Section 41004 states:

Regularly, at least once each month, the city treasurer shall submit to the city clerk a written report and accounting of all receipts, disbursements, and fund balances. The city treasurer shall file a copy with the legislative body.

The City's Municipal Code Section 2.24.030 Monthly Reports states:

The Treasurer shall make monthly reports which conform to the requirements of Government Code Section 41004. Said reports shall be delivered to the City Council, the City Manager and made available for review by such other persons who may so request.

Lastly, the City's Municipal Code Section 2.88.100 Duties–Powers–Responsibilities lists one of the powers and functions of the Audit Committee is "to review the monthly Treasurer's report."

Per the referenced code provisions, a Treasurer's Report (report and accounting of all receipts, disbursements, and fund balances) shall be submitted to the Audit Committee and City Council every month.

### **Cash vs. Accrual Basis Accounting**

Cash basis accounting and accrual basis accounting differ in the way revenues and expenses are recognized and recorded, primarily with regard to their timing.

Under cash basis accounting, revenues are recorded when payment is received, and expenses are recorded when payment is made. This method of accounting recognizes transactions only when cash changes hands. In contrast, accrual basis accounting recognizes revenues when they are earned (but not necessarily received) and expenses when they are incurred (but not necessarily paid). This method of accounting recognizes transactions as they occur, regardless of whether cash has been exchanged.

Receipts, disbursements, and cash balance are measured on a cash basis. The cash balance shows the total cash and investments in the City's accounts. The ending balance is the beginning balance plus receipts minus disbursements. Journal adjustments generally include transactions recorded in other systems and imported into New World, Council-approved budget adjustments, quarterly Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) charges, and quarterly interest earnings.

Revenues, expenditures, and fund balance are measured on an accrual basis. As a result, the amount in fund balance does not mean the City has that much cash on hand. Instead, fund balance is the difference between assets and liabilities. The ending balance is the beginning balance plus revenues minus expenditures.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The report provides an update on the City's cash and fund balances for February 2023. The report is as of March 22, 2023.

#### *Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash Balance*

The City's General Fund ending cash and investment balance was \$121.3 million, decreasing by \$2.8 million from the prior month. Receipts were \$2.3 million, disbursements were \$(5.1) million, and journal adjustments were \$50,848 for the month.

The City's total ending cash and investment balance was \$227.0 million, decreasing by \$3.0 million from the prior month. Receipts were \$3.0 million, disbursements were \$(6.7) million, and journal adjustments were \$0.6 million for the month.

Journal adjustments included the following:

- Parks and Recreation transactions imported from Active Network into New World
- Workers' Compensation transactions

#### *Fund Balance/Net Position*

The City's General Fund ending fund balance was \$106.5 million, decreasing by \$2.7 million from the prior month due to revenues of \$2.2 million and expenditures of \$4.8 million.

The City's total ending fund balance was \$206.6 million, decreasing by \$3.4 million from the prior month due to revenues of \$2.9 million and expenditures of \$6.3 million.

In February 2023, the City's revenue was lower than usual because the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) did not issue the City a sales tax payment. Typically, for the fourth quarter of the calendar year, the CDTFA issues two advance payments to the City in December and January. The advance payments are based on the previous year's revenues since actual revenues are unknown at that time. Subsequently, in February, the CDTFA issues the City a clean-up payment to account for any differences between estimated and actual sales tax revenues. However, the City did not receive the usual clean-up payment in February because the CDTFA had overestimated the City's sales tax revenues when issuing the advance payment.

Sustainability Impact

No sustainability impact.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

California Environmental Quality Act

Not applicable.

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Attachments:

- A – Report of City-wide Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash Balances February 2023
- B – Report of City-wide Fund Balances/Net Position February 2023

