



STAFF REPORT

City Council

Meeting Date:

2/24/2026

Staff Report Number:

26-028-CC

Regular Business:

Consider and adopt a resolution to amend the fiscal year 2025-26 budget

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution (Attachment A) approving additional appropriations and amendments to the fiscal year 2025-26 adopted operating and capital budget.

Policy Issues

The City Council maintains responsibility for all budgetary appropriations. Under Section 2.08.080(8) of the Menlo Park Municipal Code (MPMC), the city manager has the responsibility to prepare and submit to the City Council the annual budget. It is best practice for public agencies to conduct mid-year budget reviews considering possible amendments to reflect the latest information available. This process improves fiscal management and informs future spending plans.

Additionally, the City Council sets policy and goals, authorizes budget appropriations, and provides direction to staff regarding municipal projects, services, and programs to the Menlo Park community; and authorizes the city manager to negotiate and execute agreements and procure resources.

Background

The City Council approved the fiscal year 2025-26 budget principles April 15, 2025 (Attachment B) and adopted the fiscal year 2025-26 budget and capital improvement plan June 24, 2025 (Attachment C). The City budget is available in an interactive online portal on the City website (Attachment D).

During the fiscal year 2025-26 budget development process, staff incorporated revised expenditure and revenue estimation strategies to endeavor to create a more accurate and refined budget, given high staff vacancies and uncertain revenue sources that can create large variations between the adopted budget and year-end results, as outlined in the public hearing on the proposed budget (Attachment E). Of these, two key strategies included a vacancy and turnover factor of 14% to account for vacancies, recruitments, and natural turnover of City staff and a non-spendable operating factor of 10% to account for historical spend rates of departments' operating budgets and lower staff capacity due to vacancies.

Following the preparation of the fiscal year 2024-25 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and subsequent audit by the Pun Group, LLP, Jan. 27, the City Council approved receipt of the ACFR based on the review and recommendation of the Finance and Audit Commission. Based on the final numbers in the fiscal year 2024-25 ACFR, updated revenue projections and revised expenditure estimates using actuals as of December 31, 2025, staff prepared the following mid-year budget report for the City Council to consider possible amendments to the fiscal year 2025-26 budget.

Analysis

Following the adoption of the fiscal year 2025-26 budget, the City Council approved a number of budget appropriations of \$697,648 for the General Fund, including:

- Service Employees International Union, Local 521 (SEIU) and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 829 (AFSCME) classification amendments and side letters: \$175,810
- SEIU, AFSCME, Police Officers' Association (POA), Police Sergeants' Association (PSA) medical premium contributions side letters: \$56,440
- Amendment to the aquatics operator agreement: \$300,447
- Amendment to the agreement with M-Group for preparation of an elections code section 9212 report: \$164,951

Proposed fiscal year 2025-26 mid-year amendments

Staff recommends further amendments to the City's adopted budget. The summary of proposed mid-year amendments is provided in Attachment F. Revenues and expenditures are itemized by category to show their impact on the General Fund and other funds and then presented in summary format across all funds. The following summary provides revenue and expenditure amendments to the General Fund:

Revenues:

- Vehicle license fee (VLF) backfill – decrease \$1.8 million due to the early recognition of fiscal year 2025-26 VLF backfill to cover a larger than anticipated shortfall in fiscal year 2024-25.
- IT Internal Service Fund transfer – increase \$1.1 million to transfer excess IT internal service fund charges back to the General Fund.
- Building permit fees – increase \$1.0 million to reflect current development trends and higher-than-expected construction activity.
- Lease revenue – increase of \$0.8 million to reflect the annual amortization of deferred inflows of resources associated with lease accounting. Under GASB 87, leases are recognized on the balance sheet, and any difference between the lease receivable and related revenue is recorded as a deferred inflow of resources. This deferred inflow is then recognized or amortized as revenue systematically over the life of the lease. The \$0.8 million amendment represents the portion that must be recognized in the current fiscal year to ensure compliance with GASB 87 reporting requirements.
- Transient occupancy tax (TOT) – increase \$0.7 million to align with the updated tax rate and current collection trends.
- Water Fund cost allocation plan charge – increase \$0.5 million to catch-up overhead charges spanning fiscal year 2024-25 and fiscal year 2025-26, per the 2017 Cost Allocation Plan.
- Business license fee – increase \$0.4 million to align with actual revenue totals from the prior fiscal year.
- Recreation fees – increase \$0.4 million to align with current year to date revenue from fees associated with recreation classes and activities.
- Rental income – Increase of \$0.3 million to align with actual prior fiscal year revenue from room, field, and gym rentals.
- Unsecured personal property tax – increase \$0.1 million to align with actual revenue totals from the prior fiscal year.

Expenditures:

- Vacancy factor – increase \$3.4 million to align the budget with actual hiring and retention trends. This figure has been refined to reflect savings specifically within the General Fund.
- Operating factor – increase of \$2.9 million to realign department operating budgets with current year-to-date expenditure trends. As previously vacant positions are filled, additional operating expenditures are

required to support staffing levels. This figure has been refined to reflect savings specifically within the General Fund.

- Vehicle Internal Service Fund charge – decrease \$1.2 million to provide temporary relief to the General fund. This amendment does not affect vehicle purchases authorized by City Council in November 2025, and with the new acquisitions, the impact on the overall fleet replacement plan is expected to be minimal.
- Additional discretionary payment (ADP) for pension liability – decrease \$0.8 million to forgo ADP in this fiscal year. On April 15, 2025, City Council authorized ADP to accelerate the reduction of the pension unfunded actuarial liability (UAL), consistent with the previously adopted 15-year amortization schedule. Given current budget constraints, staff is recommending a temporary pause of the ADP until sufficient budget capacity is available to resume these payments.
- Credit card fees – increase \$0.2 million to reflect higher-than-anticipated transaction volumes and associated processing fees, particularly within Library and Community Services. Staff is exploring partial recovery of credit card processing fees through the cost of services study, which will be brought forward for discussion in early March.

The proposed General Fund amendments result in a net revenue increase of \$3.4 million and a net expenditure increase of \$5.2 million, which includes previously approved amendments of \$0.7 million and proposed mid-year amendments of \$4.5 million. This brings projected revenues to \$82.0 million and projected expenditures to \$84.6 million, resulting in a projected General Fund deficit of \$2.6 million.

In fiscal year 2023-24, the City recorded the full \$9.5 million as a liability in the Utility Users Tax (UUT) case. The City may reduce portions of that recorded liability pending final judgement in the case, which could lower General Fund expenditures in fiscal year 2025-26 and reduce the projected deficit. Staff will continue to update the City Council on the timing of the final judgement.

In addition to General Fund amendments, the mid-year amendments include changes in other funds. Notably, the Below Market Rate (BMR) Housing Fund reflects \$3.4 million in unexpected BMR in-lieu fee revenue related to 1162 El Camino Real, offset by expenditure increases in the IT Internal Service Fund and capital project funds. Overall, these amendments result in a net increase of \$3.5 million in revenues and \$1.4 million in expenditures across other funds. More detail is listed below:

- Fund 203 Donations Library and Community Services – increase revenue for \$0.04 million for donations from Friends of the Menlo Park Library and increase expenditure \$0.04 million for materials and supplies at the library.
- Fund 222 BMR Housing – increase revenue by \$3.4 million for BMR in-lieu fees related to 1162 El Camino Real, offset by an expenditure increase of \$0.3 million for the mortgage loan payoff on a below market rate property.
- Fund 353 Downtown Public Amenity Fund – increase expenditures by \$0.2 million for additional design services and Caltrain administration costs for the Caltrain quiet zone evaluation. Additional design work is required to address specific comments received by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Additional funding is needed to finalize the design and bid the project for construction. Staff will return to City Council with the funding needed for construction.
- Fund 355 Shuttle Program – increase expenditures by \$0.6 million for operational costs related to the shuttle program.
- Fund 610 Solid Waste Fund – increase expenditures by \$0.09 million for an additional full-time maintenance worker focused on downtown and for contractual services with the San Mateo Resource Conservation District to support achieving the mandated compost procurement target. The maintenance worker will support the City Council priority of downtown vibrancy, particularly by ensuring waste-related

issues are promptly addressed.

- Fund 704 IT Internal Service Fund – increase expenditures by \$0.08 million for on-call third party support to maintain audio-visual equipment at the Belle Haven Community Center and Civic Center Council Chambers, as well as for replacement of network equipment that supports the public safety network.

As a future amendment, staff will bring forward consideration of adding a full-time neighborhood services manager to be funded through a combination of special funds, such as Fund 332 Bayfront Mitigation Fund and Fund 350 Environmental Justice (EJ) Program Implementation Fund. The manager would be focused on the Belle Haven neighborhood to connect community members to services, resolve community concerns and inquiries, identify and coordinate City response to maintenance or other civic issues, and implement Environmental Justice Element programs, among other responsibilities. The position would be based in the city manager's office to coordinate services and responses across departments but would also maintain an in-person presence at locations in Belle Haven. Staff will include discussion of this position during the EJ Element annual review at the City Council priority-setting workshop March 21, and if supported by City Council, return with a salary schedule amendment.

Grant funding environment

Grants continue to be an important component of the City's overall budget strategy. The City has approximately \$43.2 million in total operating and capital grant awards as summarized in Attachment G. Staff continue to monitor federal policy changes that may reduce direct federal awards or impact pass-through funding administered by state and county agencies. Staff will update the City Council should any grant funds be reduced or rescinded, which may result in discontinuing the grant-funded activity, pausing the activity while staff seek alternative grant opportunities and/or revenue sources, and/or allocating additional unrestricted City funds to complete the project or pay for the activity.

Preliminary General Fund five-year forecast

The preliminary General Fund five-year forecast continues to project a structural deficit. Staff have updated assumptions in the forecast model to better reflect the latest information. The preliminary forecast indicates higher use of reserves to cover projected deficits. The updated General Fund five-year forecast is currently being finalized and will be presented at the March 21 City Council workshop.

On the revenue side, revised projections for the Vehicle License Fee (VLF) shortfall indicate a significant impact, with an estimated \$3.3 shortfall in fiscal year 2025-26, \$4.3 million gap in fiscal year 2026-27, increasing to approximately \$5.5 million in fiscal year 2027-28. In the Governor's latest proposed budget, the VLF backfill remains at two-thirds of the projected shortfall, and the City continues to participate with partner agencies in legal proceedings to restore funding. The County will provide updated VLF shortfall projections in coming weeks that will be incorporated into the final forecast.

Broader economic indicators also suggest potential headwinds. The Consumer Confidence Index, benchmarked at 100 as neutral and measuring overall optimism about the economy, declined to 84.5 in January 2026. The Expectations Index, also benchmarked at 100 as neutral and reflecting consumers' short-term outlook for the economy and personal finances, fell to 65.1. Values below 100 indicate consumer caution relative to the baseline, suggesting that households may be more hesitant to spend. These trends may signal softening consumer spending and labor market conditions, which could affect important revenues for the City, such as transient occupancy tax, sales tax, and investment income.

On the expenditure side, the City continues to experience upward pressure in both personnel and operating costs. Personnel expenditures are conservatively projected to increase by an average of 4% annually. Fiscal year 2026-27 will also mark the third year without American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding, which

previously offset nearly \$4 million in annual payroll costs. As a result, the General Fund is now fully absorbing those personnel expenditures. Operating costs, including the purchase of goods and professional services, are likewise expected to increase due to ongoing inflationary pressures and uncertainty related to evolving federal trade and economic policies. Collectively, these factors are contributing to an accelerated depletion of General Fund reserves.

Looking ahead, some fiscal relief is anticipated with the payoff of the Successor Agency of the Former City of Menlo Park Redevelopment Agency debt Dec. 31, 2029. At that time, approximately \$5 million in property tax revenue currently allocated to debt service is projected to be redirected to the General Fund. There will be no change to the tax rate for taxpayers in former redevelopment areas; they will continue paying the same property tax rate as today. The difference is that a portion of their property tax that has been used to repay the Successor Agency debt will instead flow back to support general City services.

In addition, staff may explore other revenue-generating options for City Council consideration, such as modernizing the business license tax to better reflect today's business environment, which has evolved significantly since it was last updated in 1978.

Impact on City Resources

The proposed budget amendments are summarized in Exhibit A of Attachment A, showing the net impact on revenues and expenditures across all affected funds.

Overall, the proposed budget amendments result in a \$2.6 million net decrease in the General Fund, along with the reclassification of unrealized investment gains from unassigned to assigned, in accordance with Fund Balance for the General Fund Policy (#CC-14-003) guidance on fund balance categories. Since unrealized gains are not spendable until the investments are sold, this distinction separates them from other available funds. Unrealized gain/loss is now a line item in Table 1 fund balances.

To address the projected deficit in fiscal year 2025-26, staff recommend using the remaining amount in the VLF Shortfall Reserve established through City Council direction June 24, 2025, and drawing \$2.6 million from unassigned fund balance.

Mid-year amendments and use of fund balance result in a projected total General Fund balance of \$31.1 million. The General Fund balance is summarized below in Table 1.

Table 1: Fund balance of the General Fund

Category	Fiscal year 2024-25 (Audited)	Fiscal year 2025-26 (Projected)	Net change
Ending fund balance (June 30)	\$33,678,647	\$31,079,033	(\$2,599,614)
Fund balance reserve components			
*Non-spendable prepaid expenditures	\$619,019	\$619,019	0
*Project related, encumbrances	\$1,337,247	\$1,337,247	0
Strategic pension funding reserve	\$653,240	\$653,240	0
VLF Shortfall reserve	\$959,325	0	(\$959,325)
Emergency contingency reserve	\$10,408,537	\$10,408,537	0
Economic stabilization reserve	\$13,878,049	\$13,878,049	0
*Unrealized Gain/Loss	0	\$962,816	\$962,816
Unassigned fund balance	\$5,823,230	\$3,220,125	(\$2,603,105)

*Note that 3 million of the fund balance is non-spendable, prepaid and encumbrance and unrealized gain.

Environmental Review

Amending the budget is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §§15378 and 15061(b)(3) as it will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Public Notice

Public notification was achieved by posting the agenda, with the agenda items being listed, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Attachments

- A. Resolution
- B. Hyperlink – April 15, 2025, Staff Report #25-053-CC:
www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/2/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2025-meetings/20250415/m1-20250415-cc-fy2025-26-budget-principles.pdf
- C. Hyperlink – June 25, 2025, Staff Report #25-101-CC:
www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2025-meetings/20250624/g2-20250624-cc-adopt-fy2025-26-budget.pdf
- D. Hyperlink – Online budget: www.menlopark.gov/budget
- E. Hyperlink – June 10, 2025, Staff Report #25-093-CC :
www.menlopark.gov/files/sharedassets/public/v/1/agendas-and-minutes/city-council/2025-meetings/20250610/g1-20250610-cc-public-hearing-2025-26-budget.pdf
- F. Recommended budget amendments
- G. Grant funding overview

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RESOLUTION NO. XXXX

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENLO PARK
AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025–26 ADOPTED BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the City of Menlo Park, acting by and through its City Council, having considered the proposed budget document dated June 10, 2025, and related written and oral information at the meeting held June 24, 2025, adopted the fiscal year 2025-26 operating and capital budget; and

WHEREAS, the City of Menlo Park, acting by and through its City Council, having considered the proposed budget amendments in Exhibit A and related written and oral information at the meeting held Feb. 24, 2026, and the City Council having been fully advised in the matter and good cause appearing;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Menlo Park that the City Council does hereby

Amend the fiscal year 2025-26 budget as set forth in Exhibit A

I, Judi A. Herren, City Clerk of Menlo Park, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing City Council Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted at a meeting by said City Council on the twenty-fourth day of February, 2026, by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Official Seal of said City on this ___ day of February, 2026.

Judi A. Herren, City Clerk

Exhibits:

A. Budget amendments

Fiscal year 2025-26 budget amendment			
Fund number and name	2025-26 Revenue	2025-26 Expenditure	Net change
100 - General Fund	\$3,438,998	\$4,548,709	\$(1,109,711)
203 - Donations - Library and Community Services	\$41,000	\$41,000	-
222 - Below Market Rate Housing	\$3,473,934	\$300,000	\$3,173,934
353 - Downtown Public Amenity Fund	-	\$205,000	\$(205,000)
355 - Shuttle Program	-	\$636,897	\$(636,897)
610 - Solid Waste Service	-	\$93,602	\$(93,602)
704 - Information Technology Internal Service Fund	-	\$75,000	\$(75,000)
Total	\$6,953,932	\$5,900,208	\$1,053,724

Type	Category	General Fund			
		Sum of FY25-26 Adopted	Sum of YTD Budget Amendments	Sum of Mid-year Budget Amendments	Sum of Total Revised Budget
Revenue	Business License	2,013,650		400,000	2,413,650
	Charges for Services	5,502,850		700,000	6,202,850
	ERAF Rebate	4,673,333			4,673,333
	Fines and Forfeitures	185,000			185,000
	Franchise Fee	2,578,522			2,578,522
	Intergovernmental	80,325			80,325
	Investment Income	1,500,000			1,500,000
	Licenses and Permits	3,371,500		1,000,000	4,371,500
	Miscellaneous Revenue	1,052,000			1,052,000
	Other Property Tax	1,359,588			1,359,588
	Property Tax in Lieu of VLF	5,664,220		(1,833,508)	3,830,712
	Redevelopment Property Tax	2,928,448			2,928,448
	Rental Income	750,255		772,506	1,522,761
	Sales Tax	6,474,000			6,474,000
	Secured Property Tax	22,887,606			22,887,606
	Transfers In	1,155,500		1,600,000	2,755,500
	Transient Occupancy Tax	15,469,749		700,000	16,169,749
	Unsecured Property Tax	917,184		100,000	1,017,184
Revenue Total		78,563,730	-	3,438,998	82,002,728
Expenditure	Capital Outlay	1,266,050	(65,609)		1,200,441
	Health Insurance	4,914,472	56,440		4,970,912
	Internal Services	9,948,444		(1,198,582)	8,749,862
	Operating Expense	19,004,729	531,007	220,000	19,755,736
	Operating Factor	(4,748,986)		2,855,231	(1,893,755)
	Other Benefits	2,223,540			2,223,540
	Overtime	2,476,500			2,476,500
	Pension Normal Cost	3,896,434			3,896,434
	Pension Unfunded Liability (UAL)	6,855,355		(755,231)	6,100,124
	Regular Salaries	31,330,050	175,810		31,505,860
	Temporary and Hourly	2,496,350			2,496,350
	Transfers Out	5,154,000			5,154,000
	Utilities	2,388,800			2,388,800
	Vacancy Factor	(7,849,753)		3,427,291	(4,422,462)
Expenditure Total		79,355,985	697,648	4,548,709	84,602,342

Type	Category	Other Funds			
		Sum of FY25-26 Adopted	Sum of YTD Budget Amendments	Sum of Mid-year Budget Amendments	Sum of Total Revised Budget
Revenue	Charges for Services	23,784,509		3,473,934	27,258,443
	City Internal Service Charge	11,599,597			11,599,597
	Franchise Fee	-			-
	Highway User/Gas Tax	1,915,624			1,915,624
	Intergovernmental	10,440,598			10,440,598
	Investment Income	32,000			32,000
	Licenses and Permits	-			-
	Miscellaneous Revenue	325,477		41,000	366,477
	Rental Income	14,400			14,400
	Sales Tax	1,250,000			1,250,000
	Secured Property Tax	4,903,250			4,903,250
	Special Assessment Tax	3,760,149			3,760,149
	Transfer In	5,323,000			5,323,000
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	-			-
Revenue Total		63,348,604	-	3,514,934	66,863,538
Expenditure	Capital Outlay	28,112,581	75,623,036		103,735,617
	Debt Service	5,518,925	-		5,518,925
	Health Insurance	1,356,999	12,788		1,369,787
	Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,064,139	-		2,064,139
	Internal Service Expense	1,651,153	-		1,651,153
	Operating Expense	20,473,732	1,932,511	1,282,897	22,406,243
	Other Benefits	368,452	-		368,452
	Overtime	75,000	-		75,000
	Pension Normal Cost	606,712	-		606,712
	Pension Unfunded Liability (UAL)	1,384,203	-		1,384,203
	Regular Salaries	6,197,150	119,861	68,602	6,317,011
	Retiree Medical	630,000	-		630,000
	Temporary and Hourly	128,000	-		128,000
	Transfers Out	1,324,500	-		1,324,500
Expenditure Total		69,891,546	77,688,196	1,351,499	148,931,241

Type	Category	All Funds Sum of FY25-26 Adopted	Sum of Budget Amendments	Sum of Mid-year adjustment	Sum of FY25-26 Amended
Revenue	Business License	2,013,650	-	400,000	2,413,650
	Charges for Services	29,287,359	-	4,173,934	33,461,293
	ERAF Rebate	4,673,333	-	-	4,673,333
	Fines and Forfeitures	185,000	-	-	185,000
	Franchise Fee	2,578,522	-	-	2,578,522
	Intergovernmental	10,520,923	-	-	10,520,923
	Investment Income	1,532,000	-	-	1,532,000
	Licenses and Permits	3,371,500	-	1,000,000	4,371,500
	Miscellaneous Revenue	1,377,477	-	41,000	1,418,477
	Other Property Tax	1,359,588	-	-	1,359,588
	Property Tax in Lieu of VLF	5,664,220	-	(1,833,508)	3,830,712
	Redevelopment Property Tax	2,928,448	-	-	2,928,448
	Rental Income	764,655	-	772,506	1,537,161
	Sales Tax	7,724,000	-	-	7,724,000
	Secured Property Tax	27,790,856	-	-	27,790,856
	Transfers In	1,155,500	-	1,600,000	2,755,500
	Transient Occupancy Tax	15,469,749	-	700,000	16,169,749
	Unsecured Property Tax	917,184	-	100,000	1,017,184
	City Internal Service Charge	11,599,597	-	-	11,599,597
	Highway User/Gas Tax	1,915,624	-	-	1,915,624
	Special Assessment Tax	3,760,149	-	-	3,760,149
	Transfer In	5,323,000	-	-	5,323,000
	Unrealized Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-
Revenue Total		141,912,334	-	6,953,932	148,866,266
Expenditure	Capital Outlay	29,378,631	75,557,427	-	104,936,058
	Debt Service	5,518,925	-	-	5,518,925
	Health Insurance	6,271,471	69,228	-	6,340,699
	Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,064,139	-	-	2,064,139
	Internal Service Expense	1,651,153	-	-	1,651,153
	Internal Services	9,948,444	-	(1,198,582)	8,749,862
	Operating Expense	39,478,461	2,463,518	1,502,897	43,444,876
	Operating Factor	(4,748,986)	-	2,855,231	(1,893,755)
	Other Benefits	2,591,992	-	-	2,591,992
	Overtime	2,551,500	-	-	2,551,500
	Pension Normal Cost	4,503,146	-	-	4,503,146
	Pension Unfunded Liability (UAL)	8,239,558	-	(755,231)	7,484,327
	Regular Salaries	37,527,200	295,671	68,602	37,891,473
	Retiree Medical	630,000	-	-	630,000
	Temporary and Hourly	2,624,350	-	-	2,624,350
	Transfers Out	6,478,500	-	-	6,478,500
	Utilities	2,388,800	-	-	2,388,800
	Vacancy Factor	(7,849,753)	-	3,427,291	(4,422,462)
Expenditure Total		149,247,531	78,385,844	5,900,208	233,533,583

Grant funding summary as of February 2026		
Awarded project / initiative name	Lead department	Amount, source and funding period
Home electrification program in Belle Haven neighborhood in partnership with Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE)	General Administration	\$4,500,000 California Energy Commission (CEC) Funding period: 2023-26
Electric vehicles chargers at city facilities	General Administration	\$92,615 CEC
Anti-displacement program implementation	Community Development	\$250,000 Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
Grand nexus and feasibility study	Community Development	\$500,000 – shared across 7 jurisdictions in San Mateo County MTC
Belle Haven Child Development Center (BHCDC) programming	Library and Community Services	\$2,316,843 California Department of Education Funding period: Recurring annually
2018 Parks Bond Act — Belle Haven Community Campus	Library and Community Services	\$198,000 California Department of Parks Funding period: 2018-24
Main library roof replacement	Library and Community Services	\$509,179 Building Forward Library Infrastructure – California State Library Funding period: 2022-26
Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS)	Police	\$100,000 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) COPS Grant Funding period: Recurring annually
Homeless Grant	Police	\$30,175 State of California
Automated meter reading	Public Works	\$500,000 Department of Water Resources Funding period: 2022-26
Bedwell Bayfront Park Entrance Improvements	Public Works	\$520,000 California State Coastal Conservancy Priority Conservation Area Grant Program Funding period: 2025-27
Caltrain grade separation	Public Works	\$1,500,000 San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) – Grade separation program
Caltrain station access	Public Works	\$400,000 MTC

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Awarded project / initiative name	Lead department	Amount, source and funding period
Chrysler Pump Station	Public Works	\$5,000,000 FEMA Hazard Mitigation Program
El Camino Real – Ravenswood pedestrian crossing	Public Works	\$200,000 Alternative Congestion Relief and Transportation Demand Management Program Funding period: 2023-25
Electric Vehicle Chargers at city facilities and Parking Plazas	Public Works	\$2,300,000 MTC
Middle Avenue Caltrain Ped/Bike Undercrossing	Public Works	\$5,000,000 One Bay Area Grant Program \$4,000,000 U.S. Department of Transportation (Federal Earmark) \$1,130,000 SMCTA \$1,000,000 Santa Clara County Recreational Mitigation Fund
Middle Avenue complete streets project	Public Works	\$1,200,000 SMCTA – Pedestrian and Bicycle Program Funding period: 2023-25
Transit-Oriented Communities Parking Management	Public Works	\$200,000 MTC
Santa Cruz Avenue and Sand Hill Road Corridor Safety Improvements project	Public Works	\$1,387,780 SMCTA – Measure A Pedestrian and Bicycle Program
Sharon/Eastridge and Oak/Oak Knoll projects	Public Works	\$450,000 SMCTA – Measure A/W Cycle 7 Pedestrian and Bike award Funding period: 2024-29
SAFER Bay implementation	Public Works	\$3,700,000 Phase 1 – Previously awarded, now under review FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities
Shuttle service	Public Works	\$870,179 City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG) \$625,000 MTC Lifeline Transportation Program \$610,500 C/CAG

Grant funding summary as of February 2026

Awarded project / initiative name	Lead department	Amount, source and funding period
		\$399,185 SMCTA \$166,000 MTC Lifeline Transportation Program
Streetlight data subscription	Public Works	\$80,325 SMCTA
Willow Road pedestrian and bicycle improvements	Public Works	\$3,500,000 SMCTA – Highway Program
Willow Road/US 101 interchange landscaping	Public Works	\$430,000 SMCTA – Highway Program