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REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 22, 2026

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jeffrey Hoadley, General Services Director

Subject: Repurpose funds within CIP 551 to initiate Engineering work for the replacement of the HVAC Systems at Concord Public Library.

Recommendation

Accept this report and approve the attached consent resolution.

Background

In December 2024 City Council appropriated \$150,000 for an emergency replacement of the air conditioning chiller at the Concord Public Library (CPL). Supply chain issues pushed the availability of the chiller beyond the 2025 cooling season. Facing this concern, City Staff removed a chiller destined for scrap from the Bouton Street property to the CPL and installed it in advance of the 2025 cooling season. Using this scavenged chiller and in-house expertise, the project was completed for \$22,734, leaving a balance of \$127,266 in this CIP project. We estimate that the scavenged chiller has 5-7 years of remaining life.

Discussion

The HVAC system in the CPL was installed in the early 2000s and many key elements are at the end of their lifespan. GSD proposes reallocation of funds from the FY 26 chiller project and sweep excess funds from the recently completed FY 24 CIP 551 Interior Upgrade project, (\$6,266) and FY 25 CIP 551 Chair Lift project, (\$19,191) to fund an engineering assessment and design of a generational HVAC upgrade at the CPL. By combining unused balances of \$152,723 and directing them toward an engineering assessment of the library's HVAC system, the City will have a clear plan for the \$1.5M in future HVAC work scheduled for FY 29.

Cc Jay Burgess, Public Properties Superintendent
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