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Capital Improvement Program

The 6th Annual Capital Improvement Program has been reviewed by the City Planning Commission and priorities have been assigned. The Capital Improvement Program is basically a list of the major public improvement projects which are expected to be added to the City's operating inventory over the next six years with estimated costs, and methods of financing. The list is compiled from the requests of the various City departments by the Planning Department staff working in conjunction with the City Manager.

In forming the program, the proposed projects of each department are coordinated with those of the other departments with respect to timing, financing and their applicability to the City General Plan. All the City's needs are considered as well as the relative importance of all the proposals. The establishment of a system of priorities which ranks the need, urgency, and relationship of each project to total community needs is basic to the capital programming process.

Each year the Capital Improvement Program is revised and updated by elimination or revision of the current year projects, and the addition of a new year to the end of the program. In this way the list of proposed public projects is constantly reviewed and the program continues to cover a six year period into the future. The preparation of the new program each year provides an opportunity for each department head to add or delete projects, or to rearrange their priority within the program. Only projects or programs having an anticipated cost of \$5,000 or more are deemed to be capital improvements.

In rounded figures, the total amount involved in the six year program is \$30,197,000. A system of priorities was established ranking the need, urgency and relationship of the project to total community needs.

Some of the major projects which are under way or authorized and those which are of the utmost urgency are listed below:

(1) General Government: The proposed Convention Center on Lighthouse Point is an important project which will help put the city once again on a year-round business basis insofar as visitor-tourist, and convention-oriented activity is concerned.

(2) Fire: Two new fire stations are projected for this program period. One on the northwest section of the city and the second fire station to serve the north-central section of the city.