

County of Santa Clara
Facilities and Fleet Department



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DATE: August 18, 2022

TO: Finance and Government Operations Committee

FROM: Jeffrey D Draper, Director, Facilities and Fleet

SUBJECT: Update on Energy and Water Efficiency Opportunities at County Hospitals

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive report from the Facilities and Fleet Department relating to energy and water audit efforts at O'Connor Hospital, De Paul Health Center, St. Louise Regional Hospital, and Santa Clara Valley Medical Center.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

At the December 20, 2021, Finance and Government Committee (FGOC) Meeting the Facilities and Fleet Department (FAF) presented a report relating to exploring energy efficiency opportunities at County Hospitals (Item No. 12), and as of July 28, 2022 the following steps have been taken to implement the approved plan:

- FAF engaged with an energy consultant and Health and Hospital System Staff to develop a scope of work for energy audits.
- On May 3, 2022, Item No. 92, the Board of Supervisors approved a funds transfer moving \$600,000 into Project 263-EN22001 "Energy Audits at County Hospitals".
- FAF compiled the Project Agreement Package needed to commence the audits and issued the Notice to Proceed to the consultant on June 24, 2022.
- FAF held a project kick-off meeting on July 19, 2022 to introduce the project team and begin scheduling site visits, which will take place from August 1 to August 12, 2022.

The energy consultant estimates that conducting the audit and creating the report will take approximately five months.

CHILD IMPACT

The recommended action would have a positive impact on children and youth through the **Youth Feel Valued by the Community** indicator as the implementation of renewable energy sources helps to create a healthier environment and sustainable future for children and youth in the community.

SENIOR IMPACT

The County's practice of conserving energy through reduced demand and the use of renewable energy sources would have a positive impact on seniors by creating a healthier environment for seniors in the community.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The County's investment in energy and water efficiency and reduced pollution emissions from government operations has positive sustainability implications by conserving non-renewable resources and creating a healthy environment that supports social equity and a vibrant economy.

BACKGROUND

FAF's report relating to exploring energy efficiency opportunities at County Hospitals was received at the December 20, 2021, FGOC Meeting (Item No. 12).

LINKS:

- **Linked To: 107772** : Receive report from the Facilities and Fleet Department relating to proposed actions and timeline associated with exploring energy and water efficiency opportunities at O'Connor Hospital, De Paul Health Center, St. Louise Regional Hospital, and Santa Clara Valley Medical Center. (Referral from August 31, 2021, Board of Supervisors meeting, Item No. 17)
- **Linked To: 107388** : Consider recommendations relating to exploring energy and water efficiency opportunities at O'Connor, De Paul, Saint Louise Hospitals, and Valley Health Center Bascom. (Lee)
- **Linked To: 109977** : Approve Request for Appropriation Modification No. 198 - \$600,000 transferring funds within the Facilities and Fleet Department budget, relating to the Energy Audits at County Hospitals Project No. 263-EN22001.
- **Linked From: 115607** : Receive report from Facilities and Fleet Department relating to energy audit efforts at O'Connor Hospital, St. Louise Regional Hospital, and Santa Clara Valley Medical Center.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Energy & Water Audits at County Hospitals (PDF)