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**SUBJECT:** Digital Equity Program Briefing  
**DATE:** May 17, 2022

**PRESENTATION TYPE:**  
Informational Briefing

**SUMMARY:**

Council goals for Digital Equity and the supporting Digital Equity Program are due for review. Following up to the prior briefing on April 19, 2022, ITD staff will present draft language for policy and program goals for the GPFC members to review.

**BACKGROUND:**

Digital access and literacy are now prerequisites for engaging in many aspects of society and the economy. As such, in 2016 Council adopted Digital Equity as a goal and established a program within the ITD to advance those efforts. On April 19, 2022 staff provided an update to the committee detailing the overall progress of the Digital Equity Program. This included the chosen framework, scope, and significant activities and accomplishments. GPFC also reviewed select programs from peer institutions and other stakeholders. Feedback collected from the presentation has been incorporated into a recommendation to the Committee for affirmation of and updates to program goals.

**ISSUE:**

The Digital Equity Program has largely achieved the currently adopted work. However, because community needs are continually evolving, program goals and activities require consistent review and renewal to ensure effectiveness.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This is an information briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is an information briefing only. Draft language for the Digital Equity program goals can be incorporated in future Council deliberations as the Committee desires.