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TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING (5:00 PM)

Hillside Conference Room - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Join Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82804106371?pwd=8JtlyJgPPbZJ1kls3H8JHJHpJSy09s.1>

Meeting ID: 828 0410 6371 **Password:** 199639 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)

Council Chambers - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Join Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88469010144?pwd=wWpahSimetpNFYEKXHu9JQhDmEZsXb.1>

Meeting ID: 884 6901 0144 **Passcode:** 346087 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

View (Regular Meeting Only):

1. Cable T.V. Broadcast on KCRT Channel 28
2. Livestream Online at www.elcerrito.gov/CouncilMeetingMaterials

Public Comments:

1. In-person, by submitting a request to speak to the City Clerk.
2. Via Zoom, using the "[Raise Hand](#)" feature to request to speak.
3. By phone, dialing *9 to "raise your hand", and *6 to unmute.
4. Online, using the "[Submit Comments](#)" feature on the [meeting event](#).
5. Via email to cityclerk@elcerrito.gov indicating **Public Comments – Agenda Item #**.

Written comments received by **11:00 AM** the day of the meeting will be provided to the City Council and posted online in advance of the meeting. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to the City Council and posted after the meeting.

Accommodations: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk at 510-215-4305. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable accommodations. Closed Captions are available via zoom.

Conduct: This meeting is held pursuant to City Council [Rules of Order and Procedure](#).

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5:00 PM ROLL CALL - CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

All persons wishing to speak should sign up with the City Clerk. Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person and to items on the special meeting agenda only.

2. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: Karen Pinkos, City Manager; Alexandra Orologas, Assistant City Manager; Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst; Glenn Berkheimer, Labor Negotiator; and Sky Woodruff, City Attorney.

Employee Organizations: Police Employees Association (PEA); and Public Safety Management Association (Police Chief, Fire Chief.)

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

3. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of case: David Ciappara v. City of El Cerrito (California Public Employment Relations Board Case No. SF-CE-2346-M)

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

4. ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM ROLL CALL – CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF A MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. TELECONFERENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

3. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Reports of closed session, commission appointments and informational reports on matters of general interest which are announced by the City Council and staff.

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4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for public comment to facilitate the completion of business on the agenda. Comments regarding non-agenda, presentation and consent calendar items will be heard first. Comments related to items appearing on the Public Hearing or Policy Matter portions of the Agenda will be heard prior to the City Council taking action on each item.

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the consent calendar shall be acted upon in one motion, unless a member of the City Council or staff request separate consideration.

A. Financial Advisory Board Recommendation

Action Proposed: Receive and file recommendations from the Financial Advisory Board.

Contact: David Carvel, Chair, Financial Advisory Board

B. Loving Day Proclamation

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation declaring June 12, 2026 as Loving Day in the City of El Cerrito, and encourage people to reflect on the Loving family and all of the pioneers who have and will continue to fight for the civil right to love.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Human Resources Manager, City Management

C. Economic Development Committee Appointment

Action Proposed: Approve an Economic Development Committee recommendation to appoint UlugBeck Nurmatov, effective June 1, 2026.

Contact: Aissia Ashoori, Housing-Economic Development Manager; Community Development Department

D. Authorization for Purchase of a 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger Paratransit Van

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with Model1 Commercial Vehicles through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract

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No. 0813250-CRE), in an amount not to exceed \$115,000, for the purchase of one Ford E-Transit 350 for use in the Easy Ride Senior & Disabled Paratransit Program.

Contact: Bridget Cooney, Recreation Supervisor; Christopher Jones, Recreation Director, Recreation Department

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. POLICY MATTERS

A. Draft Proposed FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Biennial Budget

Action Proposed: Receive and file the Draft Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 and 2027-28 City Biennial Budget and provide direction to staff as necessary.

Contact: Claire Coleman, Budget/Financial Services Manager; Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer; Finance Department

9. CITY COUNCIL LOCAL & REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments, committee reports, and any required reporting under AB 1234 for meetings (as defined by the Brown Act) attended at the public's expense.

10. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The City of El Cerrito serves our diverse community by providing exceptional services that create a safe and resilient future for all.



Date: June 2, 2026
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Financial Advisory Board
Subject: Receive and file Financial Advisory Board Recommendations

ACTION PROPOSED

Receive and file a recommendation from the Financial Advisory Board.

POLICY

Pursuant to City Council [Resolution 2024-16](#), Section 4, Advisory Body Recommendations shall be provided to the City Council on the consent calendar as a “receive and file” and if a member of the City Council wishes to further discuss any recommendation received, it may be requested as an agenda item at a future meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

On May 26, 2026, the Financial Advisory Board voted on the following recommendation(s) to City Council:

Recommendation 1: The Financial Advisory Board supports the budget’s direction towards Internal Service Fund Planning, for deferred maintenance, vehicles, equipment, and capital needs; and recommends that future budgets show planned contributions, uses, and unfunded needs.

Moved/Second: Vice Chair McDougall/Member Szlatenyi **Ayes:** Chair Carvel, Vice Chair McDougall, Members Szlatenyi and Van Zerber **Noes:** Member White **Absent:** Youth Member Watson Lamprey-Singer

Recommendation 2: The FAB appreciates the direction that the Internal Service Fund process is going, and believes it is a significant improvement. In addition, the FAB recommends that the City Council request that staff return to the City Council with an ISF policy by December 2026 that includes contribution schedules, target balances, drawdown rules, and asset replacement schedules. The FAB requests the opportunity to review a draft before City Council adoption.

Moved/Second: Member White/Member Van Zerber **Ayes:** Chair Carvel, Vice Chair McDougall, Members Szlatenyi, White and Van Zerber **Noes:** None **Absent:** Youth Member Watson Lamprey-Singer

Recommendation 3: The FAB recommends that the City Council direct staff to develop and adopt a fiscal sustainability key performance indicator framework that is regularly presented to the City Council for review.

Moved/Second: Member Szlatenyi/Chair Carvel **Ayes:** Chair Carvel, Members Szlatenyi and White **Noes:** Vice Chair McDougall, Member Van Zerber **Absent:** Youth Member Watson Lamprey-Singer

Recommendation 4: The FAB supports maintaining the expanded CIP in the budget book and recommends that future budgets contain in the expanded direction.

Moved/Second: Vice Chair McDougall/Member Szlatenyi **Ayes:** Chair Carvel, Vice Chair McDougall, Members Szlatenyi and Van Zerber **Noes:** Member White **Absent:** Youth Member Watson Lamprey-Singer

ASSOCIATED WORKPLAN GOAL(S)/AREA(S) OF RESPONSIBILITY

1. [Work Plan Goals](#)
2. [El Cerrito Municipal Code 2.04.300 Financial Advisory Board](#)

There shall be a financial advisory board consisting of five members who reside in the city and have demonstrated expertise in financial management, accounting, fiscal analysis, computer applications, economic analysis or related skills. The financial advisory board shall have the powers and duties stated below, and such other duties and the council shall decide:

1. To conduct a review and make recommendations on the proposed annual budget and long-term financial plan for the city and all component units to assist the city council in making decisions on major expenditures and revenue sources, and to include a review of city council compensation consistent with county-wide recommendations included in Contra Costa Grand Jury Report No. 1104.

Attachment(s):

1. Rationale for Recommendations

Develop and Adopt a Formal ISF Policy by December 2026

From Kimberly White <[REDACTED]>

Date Tue 5/26/2026 9:26 PM

To Claire Coleman <ccoleman@elcerrito.gov>

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Claire,

Here's the rationale for the motion. Please let me know if you have any questions.

The ISF buildout embedded in this budget, over \$890,000 annually, is one of the most consequential structural improvements in years, and one that will largely be invisible to residents until it quietly prevents the next crisis. The fire engine purchase is the cautionary exhibit: the City absorbed a \$1.6 million shock not because of poor management, but because no policy required reserves. Good intentions were no substitute for a written rule.

A formal ISF policy would do three things a budget document cannot: set mandatory contribution schedules tied to asset replacement timelines, establish minimum fund balances that cannot be used without a supermajority or formal Council action, and create a public accountability mechanism through annual reporting. Without it, the contributions approved in this budget are one lean year away from being quietly and legally reduced, without any procedural friction.

The Financial Advisory Board recommends that staff return with a draft policy by December 2026 and that the FAB be afforded the opportunity to review it before adoption.

EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL PROCLAMATION
Recognizing June 12, 2026 as Loving Day in the City of El Cerrito

WHEREAS, Mildred and Richard Loving were arrested in 1958 for violating Virginia's felony law prohibiting interracial marriage; and

WHEREAS, the Loving family was convicted of violating the law and given a suspended sentence provided that they did not return to their home in the Commonwealth of Virginia as a couple for 25 years; and

WHEREAS, the Loving family did not back down but took their case to the United States Supreme Court and won, overturning their conviction and creating a landmark civil rights victory; and

WHEREAS, their case *Loving v Virginia (1967)* ended all laws prohibiting interracial marriage nationwide, paving the way for all consenting adults to marry the one they love; and

WHEREAS, our country, state and region are moving forward in the 21st Century as a multiracial and multicultural society; and

WHEREAS, an annual celebration known as Loving Day is held on June 12 in communities throughout the nation to commemorate and celebrate the anniversary of the 1967 Supreme Court decision; and

WHEREAS, the El Cerrito Human Relations Commission invites the community to celebrate Loving Day using its Celebration Tool Kit at elcerrito.gov/LovingDay; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Cerrito joins other communities to find a common vision from our interwoven past to build a society free of racism for the benefit of our collective future.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of El Cerrito does hereby declare June 12, 2026 as Loving Day in the City of El Cerrito and invites everyone to recognize this day as a celebration of multiculturalism, and to reflect on the Loving family and all the pioneers who have and will continue to fight for the civil right to love.

Dated: June 2, 2026

Gabe Quinto, Mayor



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 6.C.

Date: June 2, 2026
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Aissia Ashoori, Housing-Economic Development Manager; Community Development Department
Subject: Economic Development Committee Appointment

ACTION PROPOSED

Approve an Economic Development Committee recommendation to appoint UlugBeck Nurmatov, effective June 1, 2026.

UlugBeck Nurmatov has been an El Cerrito resident for two decades. Mr. Nurmatov's professional background is in Information Technology with a focus on data and cybersecurity. He is interested in joining the EDC to grow his community while utilizing his technical expertise to support El Cerrito businesses.

The applicant has demonstrated their commitment to economic prosperity which is aligned with the mission of EDC. The Economic Development Committee voted unanimously to recommend the appointment of UlugBeck Nurmatov at its regular meeting on May 18, 2026. If the City Council approves this recommendation, the number of committee members will be 11 out of a possible membership total of 15, as established by Resolution 2013-66.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *Livability and Belonging*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

Reviewed by:

Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

Application(s) on file with the City Clerk



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 6.D.

Date: June 2, 2026
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Bridget Cooney, Recreation Supervisor; Christopher Jones, Recreation Director, Recreation Department
Subject: Authorization for Purchase of a 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger Paratransit Van

ACTION PROPOSED

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with Model1 Commercial Vehicles through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract No. 0813250-CRE), in an amount not to exceed \$115,000, for the purchase of one Ford E-Transit 350 for use in the Easy Ride Senior & Disabled Paratransit Program.

BACKGROUND

The City of El Cerrito's Easy Ride Senior & Disabled ADA Paratransit Service program ("Easy Ride Program") is designed to address local mobility needs and reduce transportation barriers for seniors and adults with disabilities. Service is primarily provided within El Cerrito city limits, with limited pre-approved destinations up to one mile outside the city. Easy Ride provides critical access to medical/dental appointments, nutrition services, shopping, recreational activities, and other essential destinations that support the health, independence, and quality of life of participating residents. The program provides shared, door-to-door transportation services for eligible El Cerrito seniors age 60 and older and adults age 18 and over with disabilities (doctor's verification required). Easy Ride is funded by Contra Costa County's Transportation Sales Tax (Measure J).

The City currently operates a minivan paratransit vehicle and a 14-passenger 2019 Econoline E-350 Super Duty Cutaway vehicle for the Easy Ride Program that requires a Class B commercial driver's license. Due to the limited availability of qualified Class B drivers, the vehicle has not been consistently utilized in regular service delivery, resulting in reduced operational efficiency and transportation capacity.

To improve operational flexibility and service reliability, staff propose replacing the existing 14-passenger cutaway vehicle with a smaller, fully electric, ADA-accessible EV Ford E-Transit 350. The proposed vehicle does not require a Class B commercial driver's license to operate, which will expand the pool of eligible drivers, improve scheduling flexibility, and support more consistent delivery of paratransit services. The replacement vehicle will also advance the City's sustainability goals by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and lowering long-term vehicle maintenance and fuel costs.

ANALYSIS

Staff evaluated replacement vehicle options that would better meet the operational needs of the City's Easy Ride Program. Staff evaluation included a test drive of the fully loaded van in El Cerrito's hilly neighborhoods and narrow streets. The proposed EV Ford E-Transit 350 would improve operational flexibility, expand transportation capacity, and support the City's sustainability goals. The 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 is a new vehicle, comparable to newer model years, which the vendor has on-hand for quick delivery and is at a competitive price.

Transitioning to a smaller transit vehicle eliminates the requirement for Class B licensed drivers, significantly expanding the pool of eligible driver applicants and improving the City's ability to recruit and retain transportation staff. This change will help ensure more reliable and consistent transportation services for seniors and adults with disabilities in El Cerrito.

The smaller vehicle size is also better suited for navigating narrow residential streets and neighborhood areas throughout El Cerrito. Improved maneuverability will allow staff to more efficiently transport riders to and from the Café Costa lunch program, other City programs, and other scheduled trips while improving flexibility and overall rider experience. In addition, the proposed purchase supports the City's broader sustainability and fleet electrification goals and State requirements. The acquisition of an electric transit vehicle aligns with guidance and regulations established by the California Air Resources Board (CARB), which requires public agencies to transition portions of their fleets to zero-emission vehicles when feasible. Electric vehicles reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollutants, contributing to improved air quality and supporting California's climate goals and the City's goal to have 10% electric vehicles by 2027.

Procurement of City vehicles is done through the Sourcewell bid process, which is consistent with the City's Procurement Policy as it allows for the purchase of equipment through competitively solicited contracts through other public agencies. Sourcewell is a municipal contracting agency operating under the enabling authority of Minnesota Statute 123A.21. The cost of a 2023 Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract No. 081325-CRE) is approximately \$105,000 with a contingency amount of \$10,000 to cover any incidental expenses such as wrapping the vehicle with Easy Ride Program and City branding materials, totaling \$115,000. Funding for this purchase in the total amount of \$115,000 is available in the Measure J Paratransit Fund (Fund 214) as part of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *Livability and Belonging; and*
- *Infrastructure and Amenities; and*

- *Environmental Sustainability.*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility of a significant effect on the environment (CEQA Guidelines Section 15061), and it consists of changes to the operation of existing City facilities involving a negligible or no expansion of existing or former use (CEQA Guidelines Section 15301).

Replacing the City's existing 2019 Ford Econoline E350 Super Duty Cutaway Van with a 2023 Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger EV supports State air quality regulations and the City's environmental sustainability goals. As a zero-tailpipe emissions vehicle, the E-Transit 350 Gamechanger reduces greenhouse gas emissions from fleet operations. The shift from a gas-powered to an all-electric vehicle lowers the City's overall carbon footprint and advances local and regional climate action goals.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The total cost for the purchase of the 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger, including a contingency for incidental expenses, is estimated to be \$115,000. Funding in this amount is included in the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget in the Measure J Paratransit Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City Attorney has reviewed this action and found that legal considerations have been addressed.

Reviewed by:



Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Purchase Quote

RESOLUTION 2026-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2023 EV FORD E-TRANSIT 350 GAMECHANGER PARATRANSIT VAN THROUGH A SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$115,000

WHEREAS, the City of El Cerrito's Easy Ride Senior & Disabled ADA Paratransit Service program ("Easy Ride Program") is designed to address local mobility needs and reduce transportation barriers by providing door-to-door transportation services for seniors and adults with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of one 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger Paratransit Van is necessary to replace an existing vehicle currently utilized by the Easy Ride Program that has exceeded its intended useful life, requires frequent and increasingly costly maintenance to remain operational, increases risk of disruptions to time-sensitive customer service and operations, and requires a Class B commercial driver to operate which the City has been unable to recruit and retain for several years due to supply and demand issues; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell is a local government and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) offering a Cooperative Purchasing Program to eligible participating government entities and is authorized to contract with eligible entities to perform governmental functions including the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the City participates in the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program, which establishes contracts for a variety of products and services through public and competitive solicitations, and permits member governments to purchase products and services through those contracts; and

WHEREAS, a Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement has been publicly and competitively bid for automobiles, sports utility vehicles, vans, and light trucks; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell has identified Model1 Commercial Vehicles as the low-cost responsible bidder for Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract No. 081325-NAF); and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the one EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger Paratransit vehicle is estimated to be approximately \$105,000 with a contingency amount of \$10,000 to cover any incidental expenses, for a total amount of \$115,000; and

WHEREAS, funding in the total \$115,000 amount is included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Budget in the Measure J Fund (Fund 214).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Cerrito that it hereby authorizes the purchase of one 2023 EV Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger Paratransit Van through a Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Contract No. 0813250-CRE) for a total amount not to exceed \$115,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on June 2, 2026, the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Gabe Quinto, Mayor

2023

MobilityTrans

Ford E-Transit 350 Gamechanger

Prepared for

[City of El Cerrito]

CONTACT

Date Issued: **[05/01/2026]**

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Whether you need to fill a spot in your fleet or create an entirely new vehicle, your Model 1 experts have a single top priority: *you*. With a clear understanding of your needs, we find ways to deliver – starting with deep relationships all the way back at the manufacturer level. And with the nation’s largest inventory of commercial vehicles, you’ll never be short on the best choices to make for your business.

SALES EXPERIENCE

550+ Years of Collective Bus Sales Experience Servicing Over 1,500 Customers Annually

COMPETITIVE PRICING

Volume Discounts
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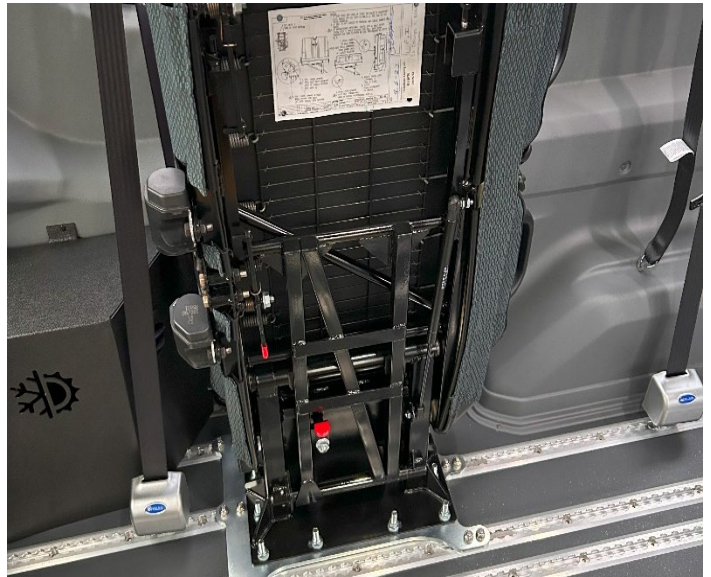
IN-HOUSE FINANCING

Seamless Transactions
Flexible Solutions

NATIONWIDE NETWORK

21 Full-Service Locations
Nationwide Partners with 25+ Top Manufacturers

IMAGES & FLOORPLAN



SPECIFICATIONS

CHASSIS

- 2023 Ford Transit 350, High roof, Extra Long Length
- Power: Ford OEM Electric Motor
- GVWR: 9,500 lbs.
- Fuel Type: Electric

EXTERIOR

- Exterior Color: White
- Wheelbase: 148"
- Rear Curb Side Lift Doors
- Stainless Steel Assist pole at Right and Left Entry
- Front End Alignment
- 8" Stainless Steel driver, co-pilot, passenger running boards
- Single rear wheel

INTERIOR

- Insulate headliner, walls, doors
- AMF Bruns SmartFloor System

A/C & HEAT

- E-Transit Twin Air Tie-In Heat/Cool Floor Mount - 28K BTU Heat/31K BTU Cool

ELECTRICAL

- Intermotive Flex Tech Electrical System

AUDIO / VISUAL

- Deluxe AM/FM/CD with clock & 4 speakers PA ready
- Rosco back-up camera system w/ 7" rearview monitor/mirror combo

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY

- 34" x 54" Braun wheelchair lift located in the rear of the unit
- Intermotive Gateway Transit Fast Idle with lift interlock

ACCESSORIES

- Additional QRT Deluxe Tiedowns, Lap & Shoulder Belt (2)
- Retractable Shoulder Harness w/ Height Adjustment (3)
- Tiedown Storage Box

SAFETY

- Back-up alarm
- Rear view camera
- 5lb Fire Extinguisher, First Aid Kit, Triangle Reflectors
- ADA sign package-Emergency Exit, No Smoking, Low Clearance, Preferred Seating

PASSENGER SEATING OPTIONS

- 7 Ambulatory, 1 Wheelchair (including co-pilot)
- 3 Ambulatory, 2 Wheelchair (including co-pilot)
- 1 Ambulatory, 3 Wheelchair (including co-pilot)

SEATING

Passenger Seating:

- Seat Fabric: Level 6 Jordan Blue
- (3) 2 passenger GO-ES Forward facing fold away seat – 35" Wide
- (6) Seat Top Mounted Grab Handle – Black
- (3) US Armrest, Black Molded – Aisle Seats Only

(1) OEM Co-Pilot, Driver's Seat

WARRANTY

Manufacturer Warranty	Electrical Components: 8 Years / 100,000 Miles Bumper to Bumper: 3 Years / 36,000 Miles Safety Restraint System: 5 Years / 60,000 Miles Corrosion (Perforation Only): 5 Years / Unlimited Miles
Chassis Warranty	3 year / 36,000 Miles

All vehicles come with warranty, but Model 1 offers more value without the added cost.

Our coverage and support come with each of our new vehicles – *standard*.

WE PROCESS ALL THE WARRANTY REGISTRATIONS

We register all of your bus parts for you, no more pesky warranty cards to fill out. This includes *all* parts, wheelchair lift, electronics, HVAC, etc.

WE HANDLE ALL THE PAPERWORK

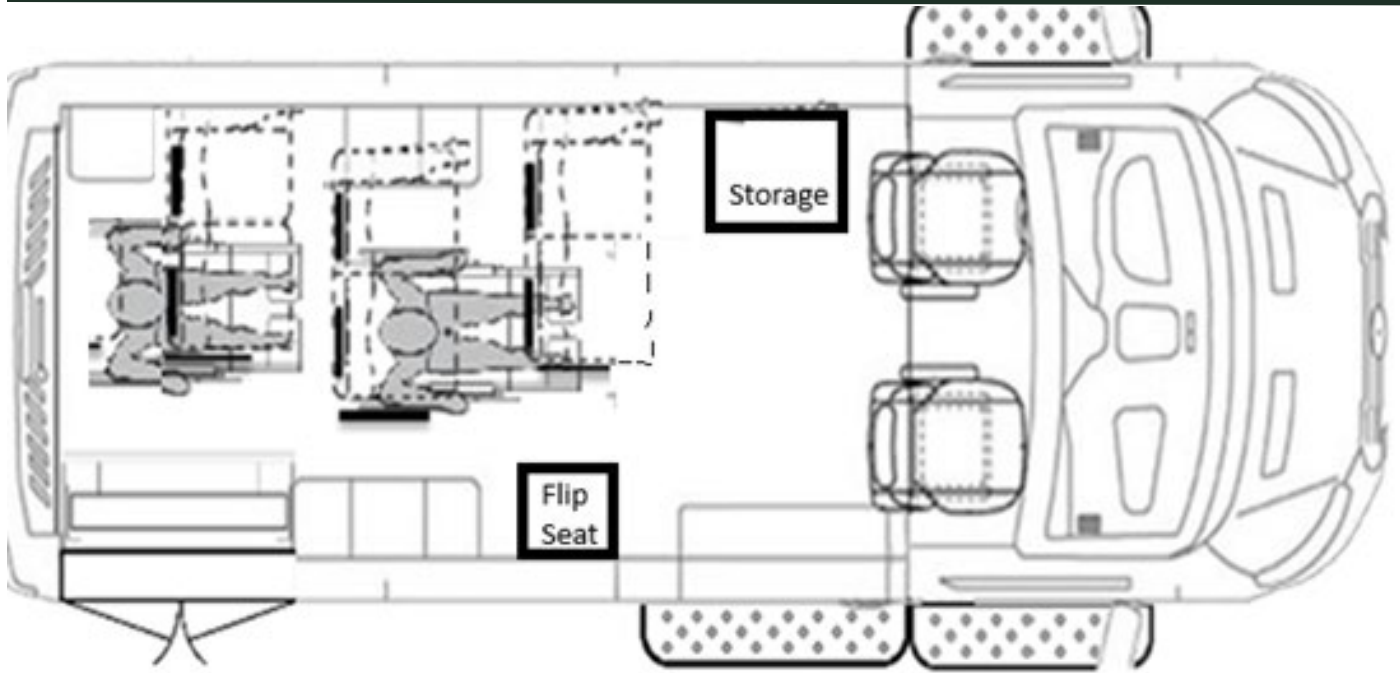
We administer and coordinate any warranty work. You make one call to our warranty department, and they take it from there.

REPAIR FACILITIES NEAR YOU

When warranty work is needed, we use service repair facilities near the bus location. We have over 3200 authorized centers and growing. You will never have to drive far to get repairs completed.

NO MORE CLAIM FORMS

Model 1 handles all parts of the claim process, you will have no out of pocket expenses, no reimbursements, and the service facility will be paid directly by us.





Vehicle Type:	Class Z1 - Z-1 E-Transit		Date:	5/1/2026	
Contact:	Bridget Cooney		Type of Lift:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Braun <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Side <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	
Agency:	City of El Cerrito		Seat Material Level:	Level 4	
Address:	7007 Moeser Lane		Seat Color:	Blue	
City, State, Zip:	El Cerrito, CA 94530		Floor Color :	Grey Altro Floor	
Phone:	510-559-7008		Salesperson:	JR Castro	
E-Mail:	bcooney@elcerrito.gov		Salesperson Cell:	909-731-5274	
NOTE:	PER THE PURCHASING COOPERATIVE, PRICING SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO PPI (PRODUCER PRICE INDEX) ESCALATION AND/OR MANUFACTURER PRICE INCREASES. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SALES REPRESENTATIVE TO CONFIRM QUOTED PRICING IS STILL VALID PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER.				
Quantity:	Description	Price	Ext. Price	ADA	
1	Class Z1 - Z-1 E-Transit (Basic) 109" Hicroof EL W3X 148" WB 6+copilot, driver and WC	\$101,767.48	\$101,767.48	\$9,800.00	
Published Options					
1	2 - Modular Track Floor System	Std	Std		
1	25 - Qstraint Deluxe (8100) credit per set of 4 (In Lieu of specified 360)	Std	Std		
1	27 - Delivery Zone 1	821.60	821.60	821.60	
1	84 - WC Lift installed behind curbside rear axle (Pending Altoona test or concurrence testing is not necessary)	9,756.50	9,756.50	9,756.50	
Non-Published Options					
1	68kwh Battery Credit	-\$19,500.00	(19,500.00)		
1	Pivot Seat-Blue	\$1,850.00	1,850.00		
1	Storage Bin	\$850.00	850.00		
Summary					
SOURCEWELL CONTRACT # 081325-CRE			Class Z - Base Price	\$101,767.48	
			Published Options	\$10,578.10	
			Non-Published Options	-\$16,800.00	
			Total	\$95,545.58	\$20,378.10
			Doc Prep Fee	\$85.00	
The Non-Taxable Amount is the ADA Equipment in the Base and Added as Options			Non-Taxable	\$20,378.10	
The Taxable Amount Includes the Mobility Rebate of \$1,000.00 For Ford Chassis			Taxable Amount	\$75,252.58	
El Cerrito* 484			Tax Total	\$8,089.65	10.750%
			Sub-Total	\$103,720.23	
			DMV E-File Fee:	\$33.00	
			DMV Fee	\$1,150.00	(Estimated)
			Tire Fee	\$12.25	
			Local Delivery	\$0.00	
92845.58			Total	\$104,915.48	
			Number of Units	1	
			Final Total	\$104,915.48	



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 8.A.

Date: June 2, 2026
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Claire Coleman, Budget/Financial Services Manager; Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer; Finance Department
Subject: Draft Proposed FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Biennial Budget

ACTION PROPOSED

Receive and file the Draft Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 and 2027-28 City Biennial Budget and provide direction to staff as necessary.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Proposed Biennial Budget presents a balanced spending plan that closes an operating deficit through a combination of expenditure reductions, updated cost allocations, and special revenue fund utilization. The budget was developed using a target-based budgeting approach following extensive engagement with the City Council, community members, and all City departments, and reflects the City Council's direction to maintain service levels at the highest sustainable level while keeping combined General Fund reserves above 29%.

The Proposed Biennial Budget also reflects several significant structural improvements to how the City plans for large and long-term costs, including an expanded internal service fund program, an updated Cost Allocation Plan, and improved methodologies for budgeting insurance, workers' compensation, salary savings, and one-time payouts. Two major one-time expenditures are included and explicitly separated from the ongoing operations and maintenance budget: fire engine replacement at a net General Fund cost of approximately \$1.1 million across both years, and self-contained breathing apparatus replacement at a net General Fund cost of approximately \$330,000 in FY 2027-28.

BUDGET PROCESS AND METHODOLOGY

The FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Biennial Budget is the product of an extensive process that began in December 2025 and has engaged the City Council, community members, and all City departments. The budget development timeline included a City Council retreat and priority-setting session on January 10, 2026; a community budget survey open from January 16 through March 31, 2026, with 173 respondents; two community budget workshops in March 2026; department head presentations to the City Council on March 17, 2026; three City Council budget study sessions on April 21, May 5, and May 19, 2026; and Financial Advisory Board (FAB) review at two meetings in May 2026. The budget before the City Council for consideration will be formally presented on June 16, 2026 for adoption.

The FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Biennial Budget was developed using a target-based budgeting (TBB) approach, consistent with best practices identified by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The Finance Department and the City Manager's Office built a status quo expenditure projection incorporating current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)-based personnel costs, non-discretionary estimates, and projected increases in discretionary costs. That analysis identified a preliminary structural General Fund operating budget deficit of approximately \$1.7 million in FY 2026-27 and \$2.2 million in FY 2027-28, assuming continuation of current service levels with fully updated cost projections.

Each department received a spending target based on its share of General Fund expenditures, staffing levels, and cost recovery through fees, grants, or other non-General Fund sources. Departments submitted proposals to meet their targets, and Finance and the City Manager's Office conducted multiple rounds of review, evaluated proposals, and developed additional solutions. Key cost drivers include significant growth in insurance costs, personnel costs under current labor agreements, and CalPERS pension obligations.

Finance then presented various scenarios to the City Council during budget study sessions. The scenarios provided different options for how the City might balance the operating budget through cuts and service changes, with different levels of use of reserves. The City Council directed staff to pursue an approach that maintained service levels at the highest sustainable level while keeping reserves as close to the combined 30% target as possible. The 30% unrestricted reserve goal includes two components: 13% of General Fund expenditures reserved for the Emergency Disaster Relief Fund (EDRF), and 17% of General Fund expenditures maintained as unassigned fund balance. The FAB recommended that the City Council keep reserves above a combined 26%, which would include 13% in the EDRF and 13% in unassigned fund balance. The City Council provided feedback to staff indicating a goal of exceeding the FAB's recommendation and keeping reserves above 29%. The proposed budget accomplishes that goal.

REVENUES

Property Taxes. Property taxes are the City's largest General Fund revenue source, projected at approximately \$19.2 million annually. The budget reflects a 5% increase in FY 2026-27 based on forecasts provided by the City's property tax consultant, HdL Coren & Cone, incorporating the standard 2% Proposition 13 increase plus reassessments at change of ownership and the completion of the dissolution of the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency in FY 2025-26.

Sales and Transactions and Use Taxes. The City receives approximately \$9.4 million in combined sales and use tax revenue annually. The budget projects Bradley-Burns sales tax growth of 5% in FY 2026-27 and 2.6% in FY 2027-28, with the locally adopted Transactions and Use Tax (TUT), Measures A and G, projected to increase by 0.1% in FY 2026-27 and 2.6% in FY 2027-28.

Real Property Transfer Tax. Real Property Transfer Tax (RPTT) revenue has been budgeted conservatively at \$3.4 million in FY 2026-27 and \$3.5 million in FY 2027-28, reflecting steady but supply-constrained property markets. RPTT is a volatile revenue source, and staff recommend treating exceptionally strong years as one-time funds available for one-time uses.

Utility Users Tax. The Utility Users Tax (UUT) generates approximately \$4.5 million annually. The budget projects energy UUT (gas and electric) increasing by 5% from PG&E rate structure changes and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)-approved wildfire cost allocations, water UUT increasing by 7% based on East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) approved rate increases, and telecom UUT decreasing by 5% due to continued cord-cutting and the decline of cable subscriptions. The City is working with legal counsel and its utility tax consultants to evaluate the implications of the recent court decision in *City of Santa Barbara v. Walt Disney Company* (final as of April 22, 2026) regarding video streaming services and UUT applicability. This decision is expected to recover UUT revenue lost in the shift from cable subscriptions to streaming services.

Other Revenues. Franchise taxes are projected at \$1.85 million annually. Business license taxes are projected to remain stable at approximately \$1.2 million. Fees for service are set at levels consistent with the updated Master Fee Schedule, which was adopted by the City Council on May 19, 2026. Grants are budgeted only when confirmed and secured; additional grants received during the fiscal year will be brought to the City Council for appropriation. The City has secured a number of large grants for the next two fiscal years, including grants through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC), and the Coastal Conservancy.

EXPENDITURES

Personnel. Personnel costs constitute approximately 74% of General Fund expenditures, totaling approximately \$42.9 million in FY 2026-27 and \$44.9 million in FY 2027-28. These totals reflect cost-of-living adjustments of 3% to 3.5% under current labor agreements, approved and negotiated market adjustments for 16 positions ranging from 3% to 10.25% over two years based on the Classification and Compensation Study, and a 9% annual increase in medical benefit costs and 5% in dental benefits, both fully paid by the City for all full-time employees and their dependents. The Police Employee Association (PEA) contract concludes June 30, 2026; negotiations are underway.

Pension. CalPERS pension costs are projected to continue escalating toward a peak in the early 2030s, driven primarily by rising Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) costs. The City's Section 115 Pension Funding Trust, established in September 2023 and holding approximately \$3 million, is available to smooth the impact of peak pension costs. The proposed budget does not propose drawing on the Section 115 Trust in FY 2026-27 or FY 2027-28. Staff will evaluate whether draws become appropriate beginning in FY 2028-29 as pension cost trajectories clarify.

The City evaluates prepayment of the UAL at the beginning of each fiscal year, which has historically yielded approximately a 3.3% discount.

Insurance. Insurance costs have increased approximately 210% citywide from FY 2020-21 to FY 2027-28, with a projected 19% increase in FY 2026-27 expected to moderate to an estimated 12% in FY 2027-28. The annual cost increase from FY 2020-21 to FY 2027-28 is expected to be at least \$2.4 million.

Utilities and Fuel. City utility costs are projected to increase at rates consistent with UUT revenue projections. Fuel costs reflect current market conditions and are subject to change. The City piggybacks on state fuel contracts, which are set to expire January 1, 2027.

STRATEGIC BUDGET CHANGES

The proposed Biennial Budget reflects several significant changes to how the City budgets and plans for long-term costs.

Cost Allocation Plan and Master Fee Schedule. The Budget incorporates the results of the City's updated Cost Allocation Plan (CAP), completed in spring 2025, and the Master Fee Schedule adopted by the City Council on May 19, 2026. The updated CAP ensures that the General Fund is appropriately reimbursed for overhead and administrative costs. The prior CAP had not been updated in over a decade, and non-General Fund operations had not been absorbing their appropriate share of growing citywide costs, particularly insurance. Finance verified all charges are allowable and appropriate under applicable funding source requirements.

Internal Service Fund Expansion. An important structural change in this budget is the expansion and ongoing funding of internal service funds (ISFs) for vehicles, equipment, and infrastructure. Rather than absorbing the full cost of a major asset replacement in a single year, the City makes regular annual contributions to each ISF, so that when a replacement cost comes due, funds are already set aside. The budget includes over \$890,000 in annual ISF contributions citywide for vehicle and equipment replacement, long-term capital projects, and deferred maintenance. In prior years, El Cerrito could not sustain adequate ISF contributions; the fire engine replacement that appears as a one-time expenditure in this budget is a direct consequence of that gap. This change improves long-term fiscal sustainability by planning ahead for known replacement costs.

Insurance and Workers' Compensation Methodology. To improve clarity, transparency, and remove budget distortions around this very large cost to the City, general liability and other insurance costs have been consolidated in Non-Departmental rather than budgeted within the Human Resources Division. In addition, the proposed biennial budget updates the methodology for allocating workers' compensation costs, weighting by safety and miscellaneous classifications as a percentage of total payroll using Municipal Pooling Authority (MPA) factors to improve accuracy.

One-Time Payouts. One-time payouts, which have been budgeted inconsistently over recent years, are now budgeted in Non-Departmental based on historical General Fund averages. Staff will perform quarterly adjustments based on actual staff departures to account for these costs in the appropriate department where the expense occurs, maintaining cost transparency while removing significant budget variances, particularly in small divisions where a single departure can have a disproportionate impact.

Salary Savings. The Budget includes a 2% salary savings assumption based on the City's historical vacancy rate of 8 to 12 percent. While vacancies generate gross salary savings, overtime, backfill, specialized contract services, and other operational needs absorb most of those savings. The 2% figure represents the net portion that constitutes a genuine budget reduction. Similar to the change in budgeting for one-time payouts, rather than budgeting for salary savings in individual departments, these are budgeted in Non-Departmental. Actual salary savings will be realized through actuals in each department, and Finance will continue to manage payroll budgeting and costs to ensure that budgeted salary savings are not utilized for other purposes at the expense of a balanced budget.

Budget Solutions. To close the structural deficit, the City Council provided direction through three study sessions on a range of budget adjustments, which are reflected in the Proposed Budget. These include:

- Reducing non-personnel budgets citywide, including supplies, equipment, professional services, and maintenance
- Updating overhead cost allocations to special funds to reduce the General Fund subsidy
- Utilizing special revenue funds for allowable Police Department costs, including software, equipment, and administrative overhead, and reducing software and equipment budgets
- Reducing Police Officer recruitment incentives and recruitment support
- Continuing to utilize consultant services in lieu of filling vacant positions in the Building Division
- Decreasing professional communications support, including managing social media in-house and eliminating the News and Views newsletter
- Eliminating or reducing Recreation programs and events, including some special events and most contract janitorial services
- Reducing select administrative support and supplies costs
- Canceling the Advisory Board Member recognition dinner and holiday light installation on San Pablo Avenue
- Decreasing the City Council travel and training allocation by \$1,000 per member
- Decreasing the General Fund contribution for the Fourth of July event by 50%
- Reducing the Council Retreat facilitator scope of services

MAJOR ONE-TIME EXPENDITURES

The Biennial Budget identifies two significant one-time expenditures related to Fire Department vehicles and equipment. These major one-time costs are separated in the budget book to provide greater transparency around the City’s ongoing versus one-time costs.

Fire Engine Replacement. The City's Type 1 fire engine at Station 52 is beyond its 15-year useful life. At the City Council's direction in FY 2025-26, the City executed a contract with Hi-Tech Fire Equipment for a replacement engine at an estimated total cost of \$1,628,245, including equipment, structured in two payments across FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28. After applying the \$380,000 set aside by the City Council in June 2025 and accumulated ISF contributions, the net General Fund cost is approximately \$301,000 in FY 2026-27 and \$800,000 in FY 2027-28. To smooth the budgetary impact across both years, the Proposed Biennial Budget front-loads ISF contributions of \$1,025,000 in FY 2026-27 and \$158,600 in FY 2027-28.

Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacement. The Fire Department's self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) equipment, purchased in 2013, is subject to a federally mandated maximum service life of 15 years, requiring replacement no later than FY 2027-28. The total estimated replacement cost is \$500,000. Per the City's existing service contract with the Kensington Fire Protection District, one-third of that cost will be paid directly by the District, resulting in a net General Fund cost of approximately \$330,000, budgeted in FY 2027-28.

GENERAL FUND RESERVES

The City's Comprehensive Financial Policy, updated by the City Council on March 17, 2026 (Resolution No. 2026-17), establishes a General Fund reserve target of 17% of projected General Fund operating expenditures for the unassigned reserve and 13% for the EDRF, for a combined target of 30%. The City Council may adopt a deficit budget if projected unassigned reserves do not fall below 10% in any year of the five-year forecast; if unassigned reserves fall below 10%, the City must adopt a plan to restore the reserve to 17%.

The General Fund ended FY 2024-25 with a total fund balance of \$24.25 million, or 43% of FY 2024-25 expenditures. The City projects the FY 2025-26 ending fund balance at approximately \$21.1 million, or 37% of expenditures, reflecting draw-down for one-time uses. Under the proposed budget, projected reserves are 31% combined (EDRF plus unassigned) in FY 2026-27 and 29% in FY 2027-28. The total dollar amount of reserves is not projected to decrease significantly; the percentage declines because the City's expenditure base is growing. Staff project reserves will stabilize around 29% through FY 2029-30 before recovering to 30% in FY 2030-31 as pension costs begin to moderate.

The structural decisions reflected in this budget aim to keep the City stable through the next ten years while pension costs remain high. The City is not at risk of a cash shortfall or short-term borrowing given its healthy reserve levels.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *High Performing Organization; and*
- *Community Safety; and*
- *Livability and Belonging; and*
- *Infrastructure and Amenities; and*
- *Environmental Sustainability.*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Proposed Biennial Budget achieves a structurally balanced operations and maintenance budget in both fiscal years. Across all funds, total citywide budgeted revenues are approximately \$93.5 million in FY 2026-27 and \$85.3 million in FY 2027-28, with total citywide budgeted expenditures of approximately \$96.4 million and \$86.6 million respectively. The higher FY 2026-27 totals reflect significantly larger capital project fund activity in that year, including state grant-funded projects. General Fund revenues are projected at \$58.5 million in FY 2026-27 and \$60.5 million in FY 2027-28, with General Fund operating expenditures of \$57.7 million and \$60.2 million respectively, generating an operating surplus in each year. One-time expenditures for fire engine and SCBA replacement are funded through ISF contributions drawn from that surplus, with total General Fund ISF contributions of \$1,025,000 in FY 2026-27 and \$488,600 in FY 2027-28 for the one-time expenditures. Combined General Fund reserves are projected at 31% in FY 2026-27 and 29% in FY 2027-28, which includes 13% in the EDRF and 16% held as unassigned General Fund reserves. This exceeds the Financial Advisory Board's recommended floor of 26% combined and is consistent with the City Council's direction to maintain reserves above 29%.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

Reviewed by:



Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

[Digital Budget Book \(Recommended\)](#)

[Proposed Budget Book \(PDF\)](#)

1. Presentation

Fiscal Year 2026-27 & Fiscal Year 2027-28 Proposed Biennial Budget

*City of El Cerrito
El Cerrito Public Financing Authority
El Cerrito Employee Pension Trust Board*



June 2, 2026

Agenda

- Budget Overview
- Budget Public Engagement Process
- Proposed Budget – All Funds
- Proposed Budget – General Fund
- Long-Range General Fund Forecast
- Capital Improvement Program
- Next Steps



Budget Overview and Process



About the Budget



- Adopted annually per El Cerrito Municipal Code
 - July 1 – June 30 fiscal calendar
- Major Types of Funds
 - General Fund – supports general governmental functions, unrestricted dollars
 - Special Revenue Fund – funds restricted for a specific program or use
 - E.g., Gas Tax Fund must be used for streets and road-related programs
 - Enterprise Fund – self-supporting activities funded by fees on a user-charge basis
 - Integrated Waste Management Fund is supported by user charges for the City’s solid waste program
 - Capital Fund – track capital projects using a variety of funding sources
 - Debt Service Funds – track the City’s payments on major debt
 - Internal Service Funds – set aside funds over time for future expenses

Budget Process Overview



- Staff develop detailed revenue budget using past actuals, current trends, economic trends and forecasting, proposed or projected rate changes, and expert analyses
- Staff determine personnel costs, including salaries, benefits, CalPERS, workers' compensation
- Evaluate other non-discretionary expenses including insurance and utilities
- Target-Based Budgeting: departments receive a “target” and submit budget proposals based on City revenues and funding, not status-quo expenditures
- City Council, FAB and community provide input on budget priorities through strategic plan,
- public meetings and workshops, and surveys
- City Manager reviews and approves or rejects budget requests, proposes additional changes if required to balance the budget
- City Council reviews scenarios and proposals and provides direction on how to balance maintaining services with keeping reserve levels high.

Budget Guiding Principles



Fiscal Sustainability

- Annual budgets should balance and avoid deficit spending.

One City, One General Fund

- General Fund revenue is a shared resource across all departments.

Transparency

- Provide City Council, Finance, the City Manager and the public with the information they need to make informed decisions and support the City's objectives.

One-Time Uses for One-Time Revenue

- Fund balance and one-time revenue should be used for one-time costs, not ongoing programmatic or staffing needs.

Budget to the Bottom Line (Division Level)

- Departments have the discretion to allocate spending among line items within a division for non-personnel expenses.
- The use of salary savings for other expenses must be approved by City Manager and Finance Director.

Complete Budgets during Annual Budget Process

- Budget amendments to the General Fund should be avoided off-cycle, including during mid-year.

Plan and Prepare for Long-Term Needs

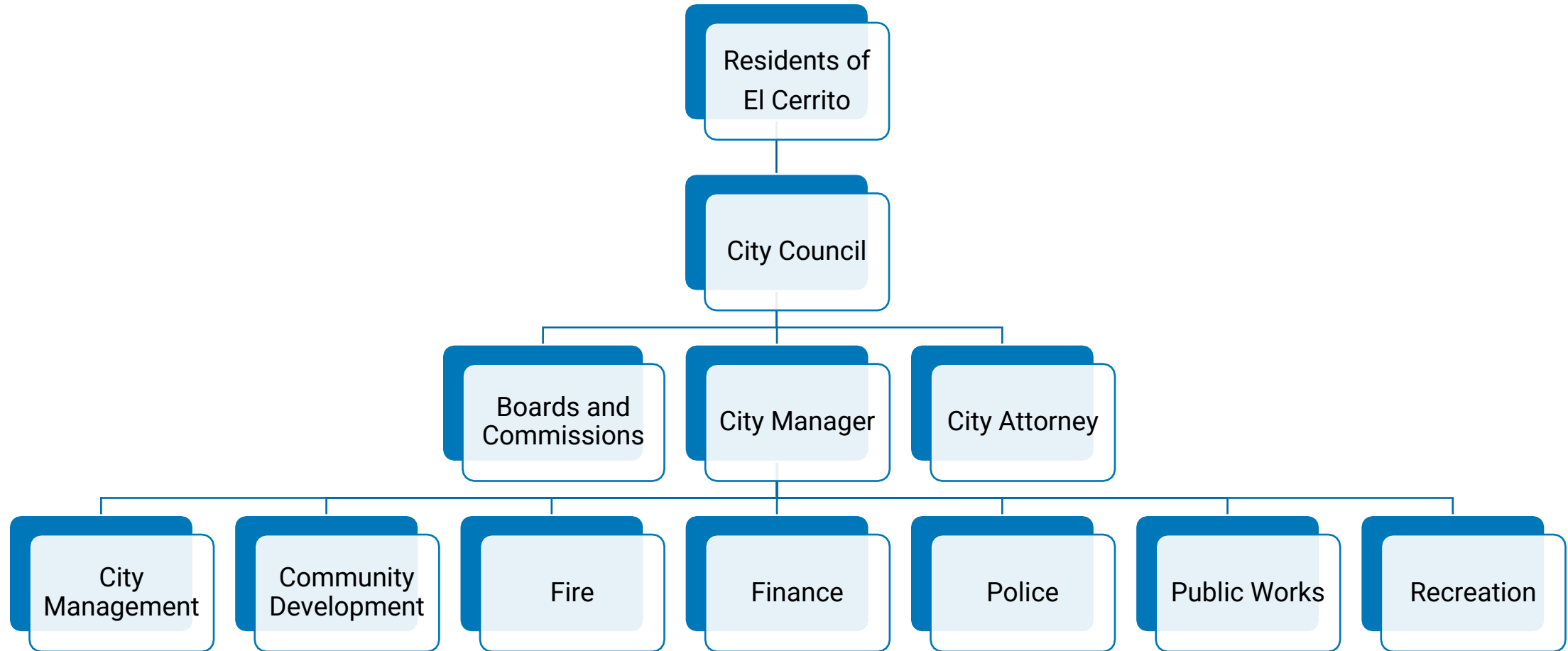
- Finance plans to develop asset replacement plans and internal service funds to prepare for long-term needs.

Strategic Plan

- Reaffirmed by City Council at January Workshop
- Budget process and recommendations guided by Strategic Plan
- Department workplans aligned to Strategic Plan goals
 - Detailed strategic alignment information for each department has been included in budget document



City Organization



Public Engagement



Budget Survey

- Open from January 16 through March 31, 2026
- 173 respondents
- 96% of respondents live in El Cerrito
- 4 questions:
 - Investment levels of 16 City services
 - Top 3 Budget Priorities
 - Allocate Points across Infrastructure categories
 - Open-ended Comments

Budget Workshops

- In-person workshop on March 7, 2026, and virtual workshop on March 25, 2026
 - Recording available on City Website
- Included a review of city finances and city services
- Two activities:
 - Survey to consider tradeoffs
 - Prioritization of core service areas

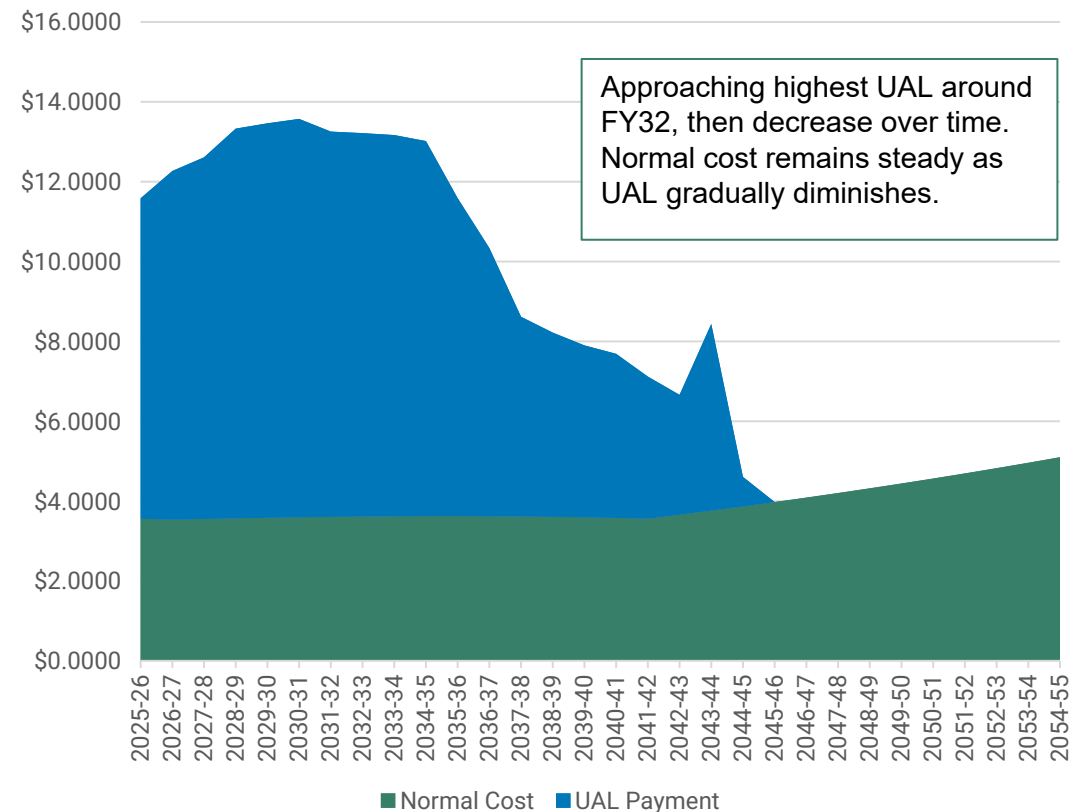
Detailed survey and workshop data presented to the City Council on April 21, 2026

Major Factors Influencing the Budget



- Economy uncertain:
 - International conflict
 - Tariff uncertainty
 - Complex interest rate environment
 - Consumer confidence shaky
 - Inflation stabilizing but still impacting costs
 - Volatile and costly insurance markets
- Insurance markets – rapidly increasing costs
- Pension costs – rising but approaching peak
- Unfunded mandates and increasing state requirements

Projected City Pension Costs



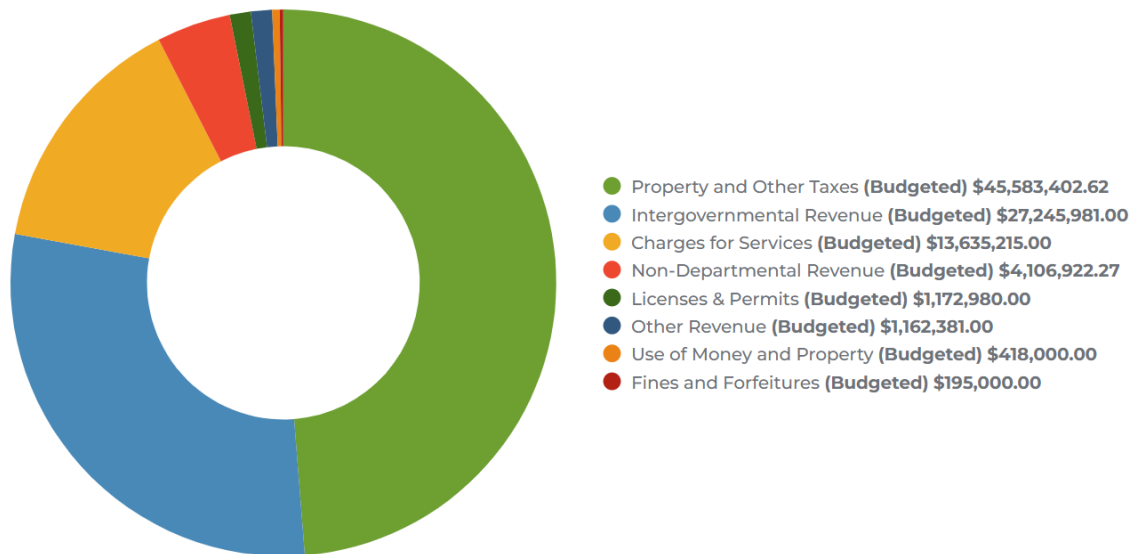
Citywide Budget – All Funds



Revenues – All Funds by Source



Citywide Revenue by Source – FY 2026-27



- **Property Tax:** \$19.2M annually, 5% increase
- **Sales Tax:** \$12.4M annually, 2% increase
- **Property Transfer Tax:** \$3.4M annually, 6% increase
- **Utility Users Tax:** \$4.9M, 32% increase
 - FY26 budget significantly lower than actuals in both FY25 and FY26
 - New court case with expected positive impacts on the City's UUT
- **Fees and Other:** \$48M, 60% increase
 - Increase primarily from grants (181% increase over FY26 budget)

Revenues – All Funds

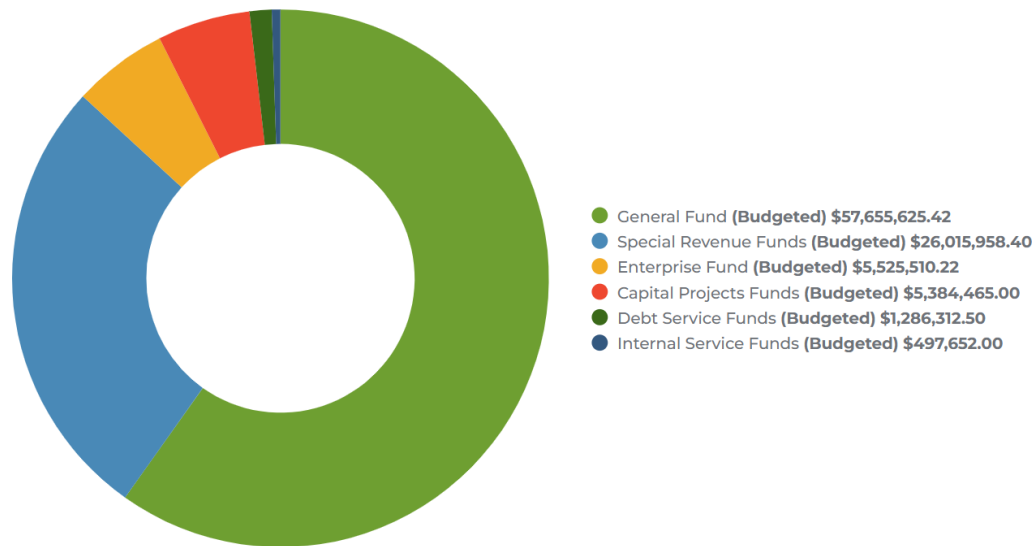


Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Property and Other Taxes	\$43,631,001	\$42,183,936	\$45,583,403	\$47,067,897
Licenses & Permits	\$1,414,521	\$1,073,280	\$1,172,980	\$1,208,169
Fines and Forfeitures	\$198,861	\$130,000	\$195,000	\$195,000
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$6,359,263	\$3,699,695	\$4,106,922	\$4,147,068
Use of Money and Property	\$427,941	\$547,190	\$418,000	\$431,000
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$13,157,846	\$9,685,103	\$27,245,981	\$16,600,474
Charges for Services	\$12,338,386	\$12,591,551	\$13,635,215	\$14,556,690
Other Revenue	\$1,542,239	\$955,200	\$1,162,381	\$1,045,400
Total Revenues	\$79,070,056	\$70,865,956	\$93,519,882	\$85,251,699

Expenditures – By Fund



Citywide Expenditures by Fund Type – FY 2026-27

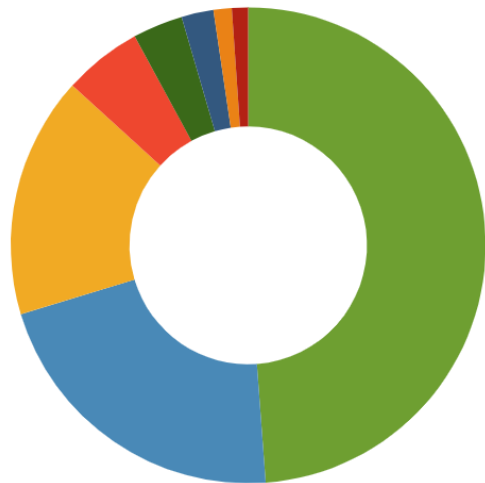


- General Fund is largest part of City operations
- Special revenue funds include:
 - Gas Tax funds and Street Improvement Fund (Measure A)
 - Measure H Parcel Tax for Parks
 - Landscape and Lighting District
- Enterprise Fund is the Solid Waste & Recycling Program (Integrated Waste Management Fund)
- Expenditures vary widely based on type of revenue (source) and allowable uses

Expenditures by Type



Citywide Expenditures by Fund Type – FY 2026-27



● Personnel (Budgeted) \$47,047,020.16
● Purchased Professional & Technical Services (Budgeted) \$20,728,288.00
● Purchased Property Services (Budgeted) \$15,793,164.26
● Other Purchased Services (Budgeted) \$5,148,630.39
● Other Financing Uses (Budgeted) \$3,291,220.91
● Financing Costs (Budgeted) \$2,102,260.82
● Supplies (Budgeted) \$1,188,121.00
● Property & Capital (Budgeted) \$1,066,818.00

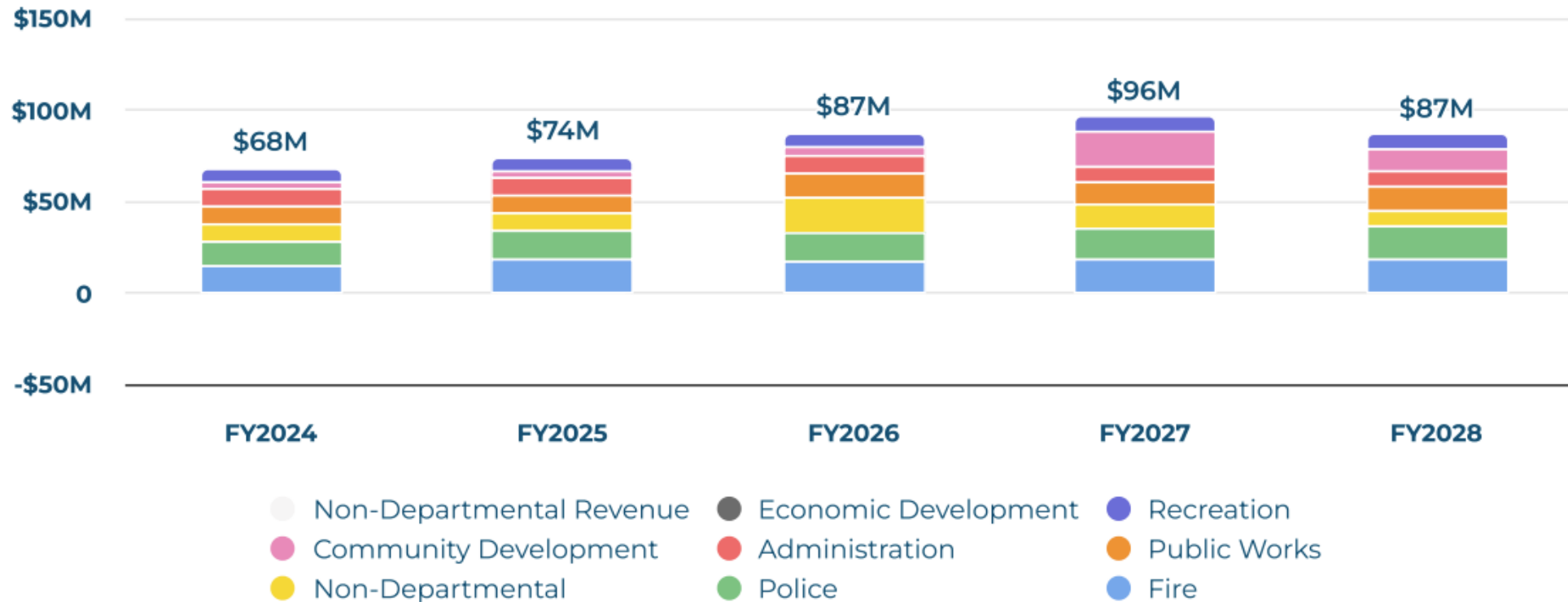
- Personnel costs
 - Salaries
 - Pension
 - One-Time Payouts
 - Medical and Other Benefits
- Non-Personnel
 - Insurance
 - Utilities
 - Professional services
 - Software
 - Supplies

Proposed Staffing



Department	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
City Council	5	5	5	5	5	5
City Management	10	10.5	10	10	10	10
Finance	6	6.5	6	6	6	6
Community Development	15	15	15	15	15	15
Police	48	48	48	48	48	48
Fire	37	37.5	37.5	38	38	38
Public Works	25.5	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.44	27.44
Recreation	18	20	20	20	20	20
TOTAL	165.2	169.8	168.8	168.8	167.44	167.44

Citywide Expenditures by Department



Includes significant new grant funding in FY 2026-27 in the Community Development Department

Major Budget Changes



Structural Changes

- Increased investment in Internal Service Funds
 - Vehicles & Equipment
 - Capital and deferred maintenance
- Updated cost allocations to special funds
- Updated budget methodology for insurance, worker's compensation, and one-time payouts

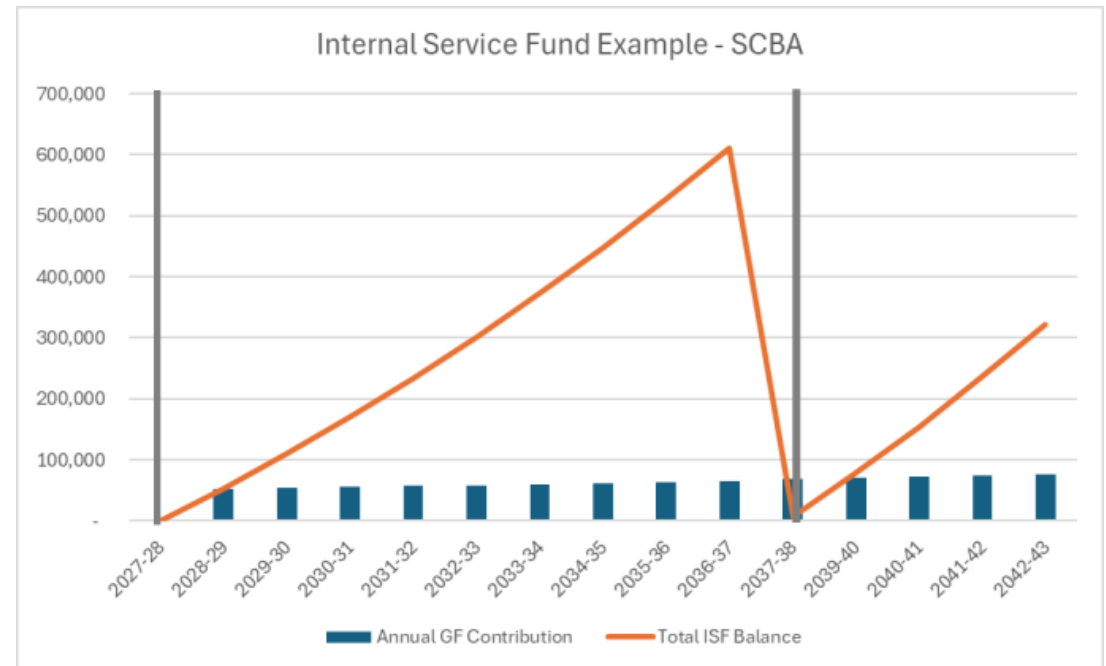
Budget Cuts

- Reductions to non-personnel budgets citywide, including supplies, equipment, professional services, and maintenance
 - Decrease in professional communications and facilitation support
 - Decrease City Council travel and training
- Reduction in some programs and events
 - Reduced City contribution to 4th of July event
 - Cancel Advisory Board Member recognition dinner, holiday light installation on San Pablo Avenue, some Recreation special events

About Internal Service Funds (ISFs)



- Annual contributions replace one-time budget impacts
 - Funded throughout asset lifetime until replacement needed
- Unique replacement schedules for major equipment and vehicles
 - Tracked by Finance and Depts
 - Replacement schedules use estimates of future cost increases
- Balances grow with investment earnings



SCBA = Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus

Citywide Fund Balances



- Detailed table of all fund balances in budget book
- General Fund to remain above 29% unrestricted reserves in both years (13% EDRF and 16% unassigned)

Fund No	Fund Description	Projected at 6/30/2026	FY 27 Rev	FY 27 Exp	Net	Est. Balance 6/30/2027	FY 28 Rev	FY 28 Exp	Net	Est. Balance 6/30/2028
101	General Fund	\$ 21,118,878	\$ 58,429,822	\$ 57,654,998	\$ (250,376)	\$ 20,868,501	\$ 60,405,305	\$ 60,177,922	\$ (261,217)	\$ 20,607,284
103	Section 115	2,960,245	90,000	627	89,373	3,049,618	90,000	646	89,354	3,138,972
Special										
201	Gas Tax Fund	\$ 386,157	\$ 760,117	\$ 888,893	\$ (128,776)	\$ 257,381	\$ 765,243	\$ 874,920	\$ (109,677)	\$ 147,704
202	Narl Pollut Dis Elim Sys	373,169	288,500	436,231	(147,731)	225,438	282,900	456,094	(173,194)	52,244
203	Land & Light Assess Distr	92,699	801,150	861,277	(60,127)	32,572	801,150	833,721	(32,571)	1
204	Measure J-Return to Source Fund	473,374	633,238	818,599	(185,361)	288,013	649,069	790,494	(141,425)	146,588
205	Measure J Storm Drain	374,733	711,816	755,507	(43,691)	331,042	711,816	1,042,337	(330,521)	521
207	Measure H Park & Rec Facilities	288,783	640,000	671,486	(31,486)	257,297	640,000	666,156	(26,156)	231,141
208	Asset Seizure Fund	229,474	-	100,000	(100,000)	129,474	-	100,000	(100,000)	29,474
209	Vehicle Abatement Fund	152,326	8,000	70,000	(62,000)	90,326	8,000	35,000	(27,000)	63,326
210	Open Space In Lieu Fund	187,287	-	-	-	187,287	-	-	-	187,287
211	Street Improvemt & Maint	2,665,314	2,451,000	4,305,722	(1,854,722)	810,592	2,510,000	3,225,791	(715,791)	94,801
212	SB1-Road Repair & Accountability	506,878	730,952	1,046,209	(315,257)	191,621	750,800	854,169	(103,369)	88,252
213	Public Art Fund	125,248	-	50,500	(50,500)	74,748	-	50,500	(50,500)	24,248
214	Measure J-Paratransit Fund	680,611	255,000	365,316	(110,316)	570,295	255,000	246,515	8,485	578,780
222	C.O.P.S. Grant Fund	140,326	175,000	256,250	(81,250)	59,076	175,000	226,250	(51,250)	7,826
225	Donations	-	175,000	175,000	-	-	125,000	125,000	-	-
226	Donations - Recreation	25,550	-	-	-	25,550	-	-	-	25,550
228	Grants - Community Development	-	8,600,000	8,600,000	-	-	5,108,715	5,108,715	-	-
230	Municipal Services Corp	83,661	100,000	128,073	(28,073)	55,588	100,000	133,226	(33,226)	22,362
231	City Housing Trust Fund	3,955,000	6,836,507	6,486,507	350,000	4,305,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	-	4,305,000
232	City LMI Housing Fund	4,908,458	-	389	(389)	4,908,069	-	400	(400)	4,907,669
Total		\$ 15,849,047	\$ 23,166,280	\$ 26,015,959	\$ (2,846,679)	\$ 12,799,368	\$ 15,182,693	\$ 17,069,288	\$ (1,886,595)	\$ 10,912,773
Debt										
835	City Hall Bond D/S	\$ 127,169	\$ 610,131	\$ 578,813	\$ 31,318	\$ 158,487	\$ 606,631	\$ 575,313	\$ 31,318	\$ 189,805
836	Street Imp Bond D/S	6,020	707,500	707,500	-	6,020	705,750	705,750	-	6,020
		\$ 133,190	\$ 1,317,631	\$ 1,286,313	\$ 31,318	\$ 164,507	\$ 1,312,381	\$ 1,281,063	\$ 31,318	\$ 195,825
Capital										
3	Capital Improvement Funds	\$ 2,408,127	\$ 4,133,865	\$ 5,384,465	\$ (1,250,600)	\$ 1,247,527	\$ 1,251,300	\$ 1,306,992	\$ (145,692)	\$ 1,101,835
Intern										
601	Vehicle/Equip Replacement	\$ 1,202,471	\$ 959,998	\$ 497,652	\$ 462,346	\$ 1,664,817	\$ 1,264,996	\$ 497,651	\$ 767,345	\$ 2,432,162
Enterp										
501	Integrated Waste Mgmt	\$ 2,020,198	\$ 5,432,394	\$ 5,825,510	\$ (93,116)	\$ 2,827,082	\$ 5,755,239	\$ 6,007,770	\$ (252,531)	\$ 2,874,551
Total		\$ 40,482,156	\$ 93,529,790	\$ 96,365,524	\$ (3,860,734)	\$ 42,821,421	\$ 85,261,914	\$ 86,431,332	\$ (1,658,018)	\$ 40,963,403

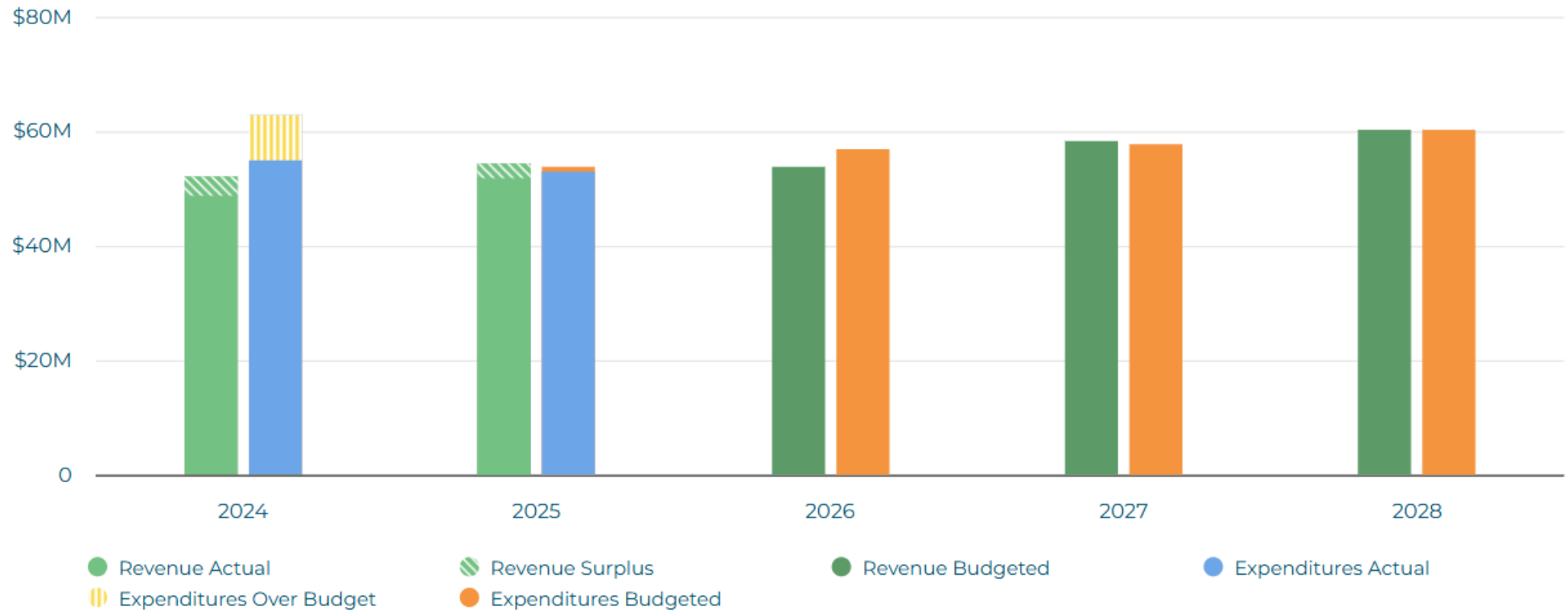
General Fund



Operating Budget Overview



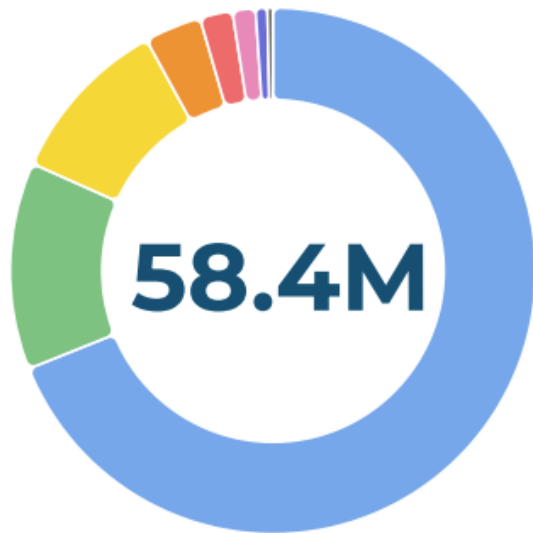
Revenues vs Expenditures Summary



General Fund Revenue



FY27 Revenues by Type



Property and Other Taxes	\$40,283,414	68.94%
Charges for Services	\$7,440,227	12.73%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$6,043,597	10.34%
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$2,048,587	3.51%
Licenses & Permits	\$1,172,980	2.01%
Other Revenue	\$827,816	1.42%
Use of Money and Property	\$418,000	0.72%
Fines and Forfeitures	\$195,000	0.33%

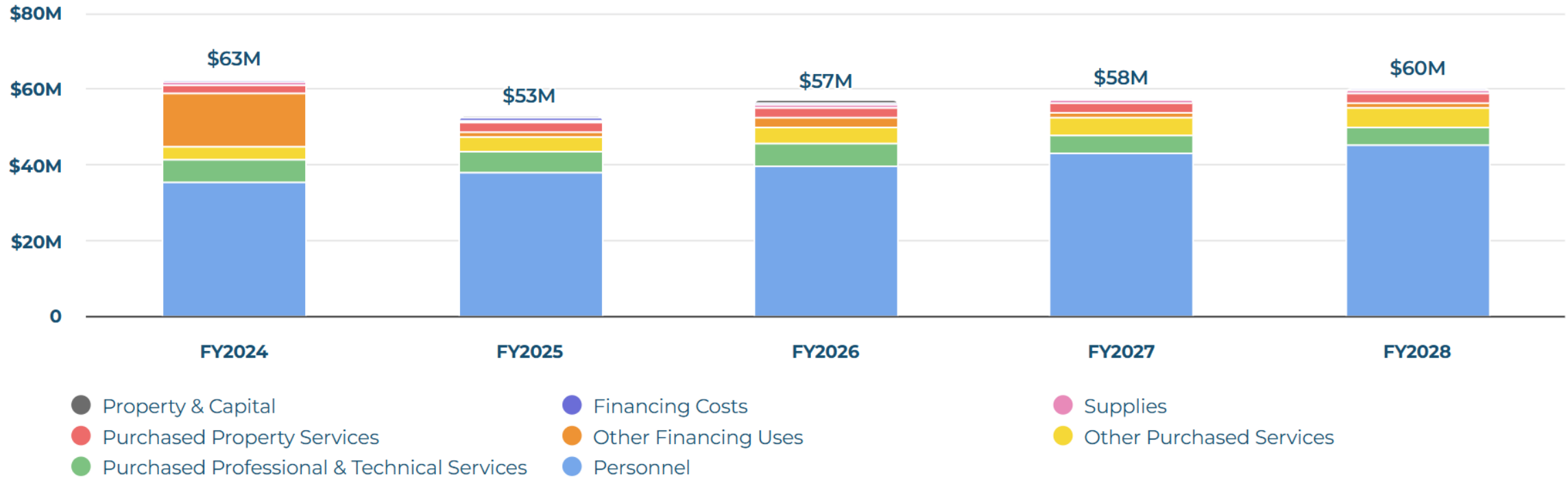
- General Fund revenues remain stable
- Most revenues received from general purpose taxes, including:
 - Property Tax
 - Sales and Transactions Taxes
 - Utility Users Taxes
 - Property Transfer Tax
 - Business License Taxes
- Council adopted updates to Master Fee Schedule on May 19, 2026

Revenue by Type



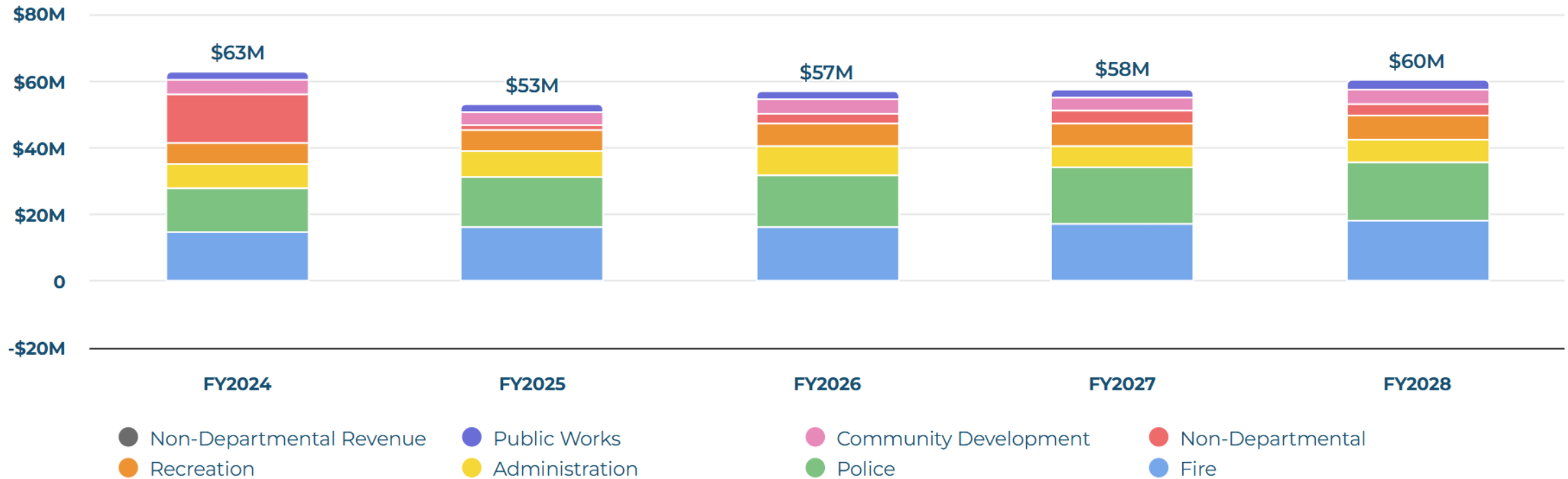
Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Property and Other Taxes	\$36,176,468	\$36,865,664	\$40,283,414	\$41,693,077
Licenses & Permits	\$1,414,521	\$1,073,280	\$1,172,980	\$1,208,169
Fines and Forfeitures	\$198,861	\$130,000	\$195,000	\$195,000
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$1,737,762	\$1,451,502	\$2,048,587	\$2,113,984
Use of Money and Property	\$427,941	\$410,600	\$418,000	\$431,000
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$6,180,922	\$5,551,043	\$6,043,597	\$6,216,116
Charges for Services	\$7,459,593	\$7,550,502	\$7,440,227	\$7,713,858
Other Revenue	\$695,879	\$747,200	\$827,816	\$834,100
Total Revenues	\$54,291,946	\$53,779,792	\$58,429,622	\$60,405,305

Expenditures by Type



High Other Financing Uses expenditures in FY 2023-24 were due to the City's investment of \$9 million into the EDRF.

Expenditures by Department



High Non-Departmental expenditures in FY 2023-24 were due to the City's investment of \$9 million into the EDRF.

Expenditures by Department



Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Non-Departmental Revenue	(\$3,258)	-	-	-
Administration	\$7,694,840	\$9,103,654	\$6,530,969	\$6,781,537
Public Works	\$2,316,511	\$2,631,758	\$2,782,433	\$2,846,856
Police	\$14,902,515	\$15,323,961	\$16,633,894	\$17,517,534
Fire	\$16,400,399	\$16,144,408	\$17,339,840	\$17,911,556
Community Development	\$3,847,195	\$4,113,906	\$3,960,368	\$4,196,659
Recreation	\$6,433,269	\$6,712,967	\$6,941,819	\$7,233,603
Non-Departmental	\$1,399,278	\$2,880,767	\$3,465,676	\$3,690,177
Total Expenditures	\$52,990,749	\$56,911,420	\$57,654,998	\$60,177,922

Note: Non-Departmental Revenues in FY 2024-25 Actuals relate to accounts no longer in use. Future similar expenses will be classified as Non-Departmental, but past actuals cannot be changed.

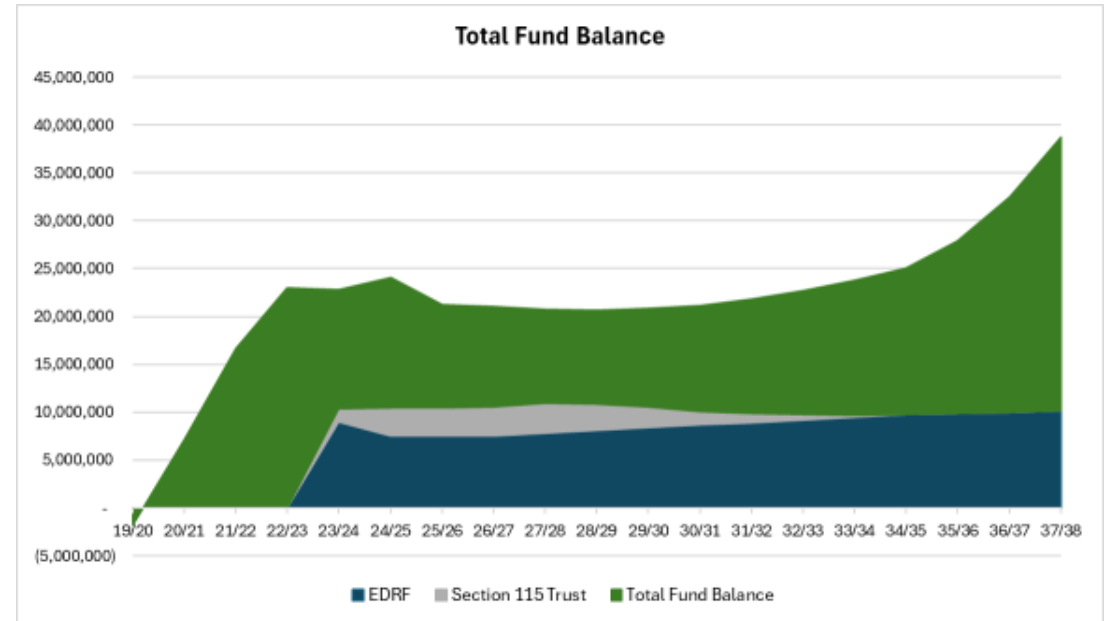
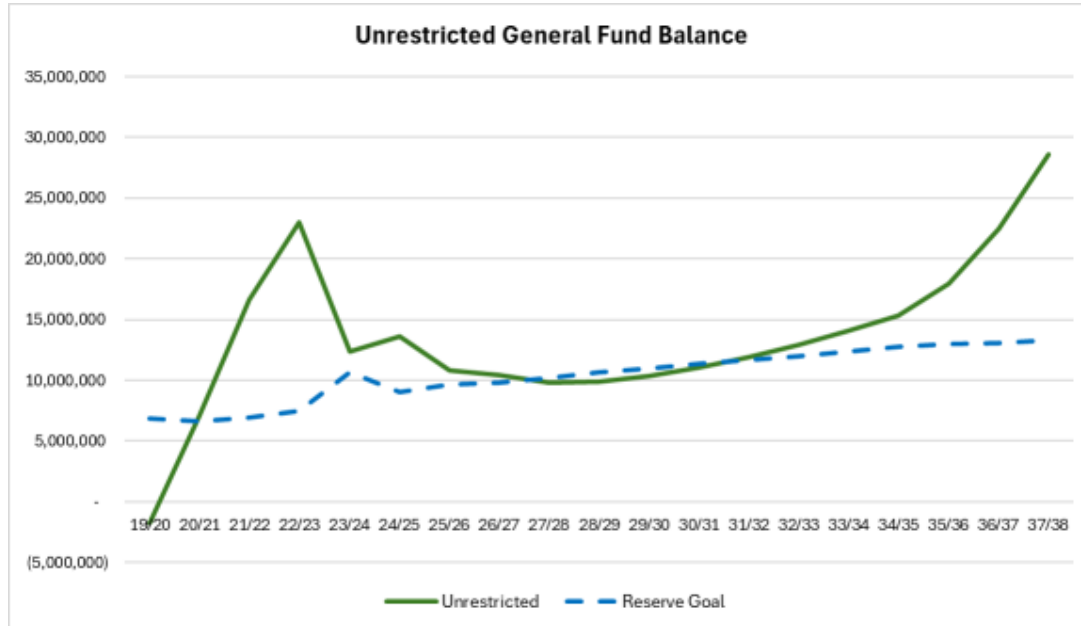
Major One-Time Expenditures



- 2 major needs recommended for use of one-time fund balance
 - Fire Engine approaching 15-year end-of-life
 - Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBAs): approaching federally-mandated maximum service life of 15 years
- Payments frontloaded through ISF contributions to smooth budgetary impacts

Item	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	Total
Fire Engine	\$1,025,000	\$158,600	\$1,183,600
SCBAs	-	330,000	330,000
Total General Fund Contribution	\$1,025,000	\$488,600	\$1,513,600

Long-Range General Fund Forecast



- Reserves remain above 31% in FY 2026-27 and above 29% (\$20.8M) in all subsequent forecasted years
- Use of Section 115 modeled to smooth highest UAL costs from FY29 to FY35

Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget



CIP Budget Process

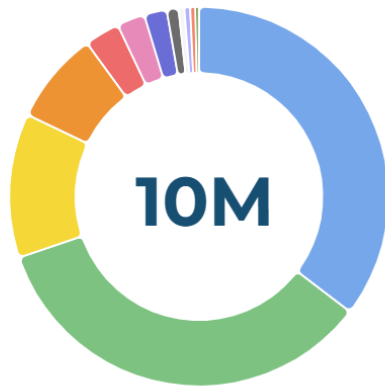


- Multi-year planning tool updated annually
 - One year appropriated each June along with operating budget
- Organized by project category with identified funding sources
 - Unfunded needs listed for long-range planning
 - Cost estimates reflect project stage
- Prioritization criteria:
 - Health, safety, and legal
 - Asset condition
 - Prior investment protection
 - Grant leverage
 - Strategic plan and priority alignment
 - Operational impact
 - Community benefit and equity
- New ClearGov CIP Budgeting tool: interactive, project-level transparency

CIP Budget - Summary



FY27 Total Funding Requested by Source



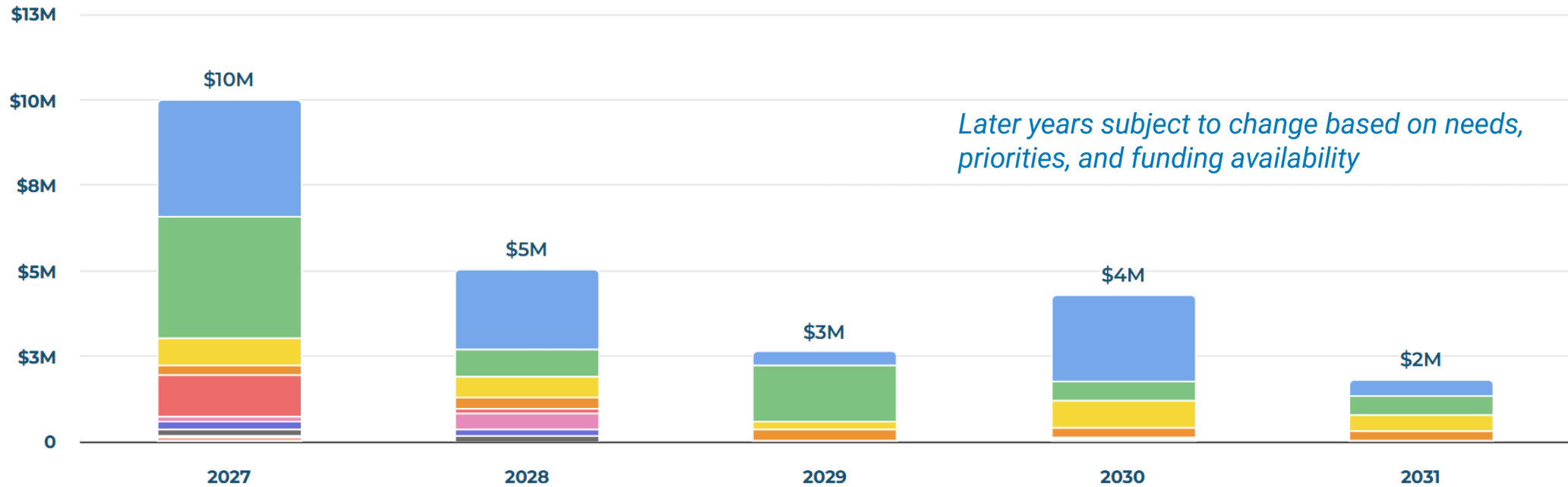
State Grant (secured)	\$3,540,600	35.36%
Measure A Street Improvement Fund	\$3,449,730	34.45%
Capital Improvement Fund	\$1,230,600	12.29%
SB1-Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account	\$788,000	7.87%
General Fund	\$300,000	3.00%
Local Grant (secured)	\$240,000	2.40%
Measure J Return to Source Fund	\$192,000	1.92%
Measure J Storm Drain Fund	\$100,000	1.00%
Gas Tax Fund	\$50,000	0.50%
Integrated Waste Management Fund	\$50,000	0.50%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$44,400	0.44%
Donations	\$28,865	0.29%

- \$10M of projects planned for FY 2026-27, largely grant-funded
- Over 30 active projects
 - Primarily Transportation projects in FY 2026-27
 - Variety of smaller parks and facilities projects

CIP Budget – Five-Year Plan



FY27 - FY31 Total Funding Requested by Source



Funding by Source Totals (all years)

● Measure A Street Improvement Fund	\$9,258,730	38.89%	● Local Grant (secured)	\$420,000	1.76%
● State Grant (secured)	\$7,059,900	29.66%	● Measure J Return to Source Fund	\$383,300	1.61%
● SBI-Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account	\$2,903,100	12.20%	● Donations	\$118,865	0.50%
● General Fund	\$1,540,000	6.47%	● Gas Tax Fund	\$50,000	0.21%
● Capital Improvement Fund	\$1,376,295	5.78%	● Integrated Waste Management Fund	\$50,000	0.21%
● Measure J Storm Drain Fund	\$600,000	2.52%	● Miscellaneous Revenue	\$44,400	0.19%

Proposed Budget Summary



- Reflects City Council priorities, including feedback during the budget development process
- Aligns with the City's Strategic Plan
- Has revenues exceeding expenditures for the operating budget
- Maintains reserves above a combined 29%, including 13% EDRF and 16% unassigned
- Enables the City to continue providing key services with some changes to programs



Next Steps

- Questions, Comments, Direction
- Finalize Digital Budget Book
- Staff to present final version at regular City Council Meeting on June 16, 2026
- Adoption of Budget by June 30, 2026
- THANK YOU to the City Council, City staff team, and El Cerrito community for all your hard work!



Thank you!

For more information: elcerrito.gov/BudgetProcess





**SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA MATERIALS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

June 2, 2026

(revised June 3, 2026)

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)

Public Comments (Not on the Agenda and Consent Calendar)

**Agenda Item No. 8.A. – Draft Proposed FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 Biennial Budget
Revised Presentation**

From: [No Reply](#)
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User comment: When will Agenda be available? Will Meeting 6/2 be available remotely? What time period is scheduled for Meeting on VOTING DAY? How to submit permission to speak? Is Paratransit Vehicle Access part of El Cerrito's Fleet Improvements? Ambulance? or limited to fire & law? I will attempt, once again, to request El Cerrito Paratransit, unfortunately Paratransit requires 6+ weeks in advance! No ability for a standing order weekly or even monthly. Homeowner 30 years, Disabled forced retirement 20 years. Fyi, State worker get ZERO SSI contribution & Zer0 Worker's Comp (unless law enforcement/fire). Martha Davis, EMT & Epidemiologist III. Retired & Disabled

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MAY 28 2026

**City of El Cerrito
City Clerk**

Gabe Quinto
Mayor & BAAQMD Director
City of El Cerrito
10890 San Pablo Ave
El Cerrito CA 94530

RE: Brown Act-compliant Written Public Comment for both June 2026 City of El Cerrito Council and BAAQMD Meetings

San Francisco County Supervisor and BAAQMD Director Gabe Quinto:

Please do not endorse BAAQMD Director Ray Mueller for San Mateo County Supervisor or his forthcoming District Attorney Campaign.

San Mateo County District Attorney Steve Wagstaffe is expected to retire this summer and Mr. Mueller is requesting other electeds support him being appointed to the office of San Mateo County District Attorney.

Mr. Mueller, has filed \$7,000 of late April/May 2026 campaign donation disclosures from donors openly affiliated with the Bohannon companies, a company whose website to this day glorifies their founder David D. Bohannon (see appended document):

**Madeline (Bohannon) Johnson — Lincoln, CA — \$1,000
Abby (Bohannon) Dunckel — San Francisco, CA — \$1,000
Ryan Bohannon — San Jose, CA — \$1,000
Shan Bohannon — Newark, CA — \$1,000
Mary Bohannon — Woodside, CA — \$1,000
Diane Sheardown (Bohannon Dev Co) — San Carlos, CA — \$1,000
Christine Bohannon — San Francisco, CA — \$1,000**

The circumstances surrounding these late filings are deeply troubling, and make Bohannon-by-birth donors Mr. Mueller's largest special interest group.

In 2022 I moderated a publication forum for the Richard Rothstein book "The Color of Law", and was astonished to find the roots of a significant part of California's segregation right here in San Mateo County.

In his 2017 book, *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, author and researcher Richard Rothstein highlights David Bohannon as a prominent example of a developer who, with active government support, created racially segregated housing in the San Francisco Bay Area during and after World War II. [LitCharts +4](#)

Key Connections in *The Color of Law*:

- **Developer of Segregated Suburbs:** Bohannon was a major white property developer who built "whites-only" suburbs, most notably Rollingwood in Richmond, California. [LitCharts +1](#)
- **Government-Sponsored Segregation:** Rothstein uses Bohannon to prove that segregation was not merely *de facto* (caused by private prejudice) but *de jure* (sanctioned by government policy). The Federal Housing Administration (FHA) provided the financing for Bohannon's projects while actively enforcing covenants that prohibited Black families from buying homes there. [LitCharts +4](#)
- **The Case of Sunnyhills:** Bohannon also developed the "Sunnyhills" suburb in Milpitas, California. Rothstein describes how Bohannon worked with city officials to increase sewer costs for a nearby integrated housing project to prevent Black workers from living there, ensuring Sunnyhills remained all-white. [LitCharts +1](#)
- **Impact on the Bay Area:** Bohannon's work is crucial to Rothstein's argument that government agents and developers actively created "ghettos" in the Bay Area by financing suburban housing for whites while restricting African Americans to overcrowded urban areas. [LitCharts +3](#)



Shockingly his second largest historical donor group is Chevron beneficiaries (\$6,000) in San Mateo County and his largest independent expenditure group was Chevron/Marathon/PbF Energy.

<https://www.kqed.org/news/12010828/oil-industry-spends-thousands-on-local-bay-area-election-in-city-with-no-refineries>

"In the last month, the oil industry super PAC — officially labeled the Committee for Jobs and the Economy, Sponsored by Energy Companies and Building Trades Unions Representing Working Men and Women — began sending out flyers in support of ..."

"...In 2022, the same committee spent \$95,000 backing San Mateo County Supervisor Ray Mueller."

"The phone number on the committee's most recent political filings is the main number for Bell, McAndrews & Hiltachk, a Sacramento-based law firm that has represented Republican and industry-based interests."

Top Contributors 			Top Payees 		
Total Contributions	Name	Type	Total Expenditures	Payee	Type
\$75,000.00	Chevron Corporation and Its Subsidiaries	ENTITY	\$4,455.21	Bell Mcandrews & Hiltachk LLP	ENTITY
\$37,500.00	Marathon Petroleum Corporation and Its Subsidiaries/affiliates	ENTITY	\$50.00	Aggregated Unitemized Expenditures	INDIVIDUAL
\$37,500.00	Pbf Energy Western Region LLC and Affiliated Entities	ENTITY			
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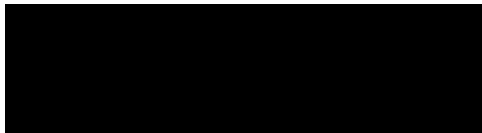
<https://www.transparencyusa.org/ca/committee/committee-for-jobs-and-economy-sponsored-by-energy-companies-and-building-trades-unions-representing-working-men-and-women-1454340-rcp/>

As someone who has long championed transparency, accountability, and the rule of law, I respectfully urge you to review these filings and the underlying evidence carefully, and submit to you that Mr. Mueller's acceptance of these donor amounts while voting or advocating on ANY sanction, fine, or permit of Chevron is a clear conflict of interest, and potentially subverts the good reputation of the work you do at BAAQMD.

I ask that you formally revoke your endorsement of Ray Mueller, and also wish to bring to your attention a matter of local significance to the residents of San Mateo & Santa Clara counties. There is growing community support for changing the name of Bohannan Drive in both San Mateo & Menlo Park, and I respectfully ask that you lend your voice and influence to this effort.

Thank you for your service to the Great State of California. This letter reflects the personal position only myself, and does not represent Richard Rothstein or the California Democratic Party.






Respectfully yours,














Dan Stegink








Pacifica CA 94044

 **George Surmaitis** 8m · Park Pacifica (West) ...
I voted for Ray the first time, not this time.
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 **Dan Stegink** Now · Linda Mar North ...
Ray, as you are an attorney bound by the State Bar's ethics code, what part of this post do you believe is slanderous?
 1  Reply  Share  1

 **Dan Stegink** Now · Linda Mar North ...
 Ray, I should add that I moderated a publication event for Author Richard Rothstein, author of the Color of Law, an award-winning book that talked specifically and at length about David Bohannon. This is not ancient history, these race restricting deeds are still all over titles in Belmont, Menlo Park, etc
 1  Reply  Share  1

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42 **RESOLUTION 20-11.20**

43 **Taking the Hate out of Homeownership**

44 WHEREAS In the State of California every year thousands of real estate transactions continue to be
45 conducted using deeds, titles, and other documents that include race restricting covenants that prevent
46 transfer(s) of property to racial, ethnic, or religious minorities, but frequently Black people, with many
47 homeowners unaware of racially related documents; and

48 WHEREAS in 1948 the US Supreme Court ruled in Shelley v. Kramer that rendered racially restrictive
49 covenants unenforceable, and the Fair Housing Act made them illegal, and state (or local) enforcement of
50 such covenants violated the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment; and

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1 WHEREAS the continued inclusion of these covenants in real estate contracts discourages the transfer of
2 property to both people of color and religious minorities, artificially reduces the supply of housing, and
3 perpetuates a discriminatory housing practice;

4 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the removal of racially
5 restrictive covenants from the real estate transaction process; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author of this resolution will send copies to county governments in all
7 58 counties.

8 Author(s): Dan Stegink, Assembly District 22

9 Sponsored By: CADEM Region 6, Assembly District 22

10 **RESOLUTION 20-11.22**

11 **Resolution Opposing Final Rule on Campus and K-12 Sexual Assault and Harassment**

https://cadem.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/November-2020-Resolution-Packet-20_11_13_A.pdf



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To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comments
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Hello Mayor Quinto, Council Members and Staff,

I am submitting the following Comments into the Record:

1. for a Future Agenda, the Council Should Invite Caitlin Sly to Present on the Food Bank
2. I wanted to thank the council for the Proclamation for Bike to Wherever Day last month

Sincerely
Cordell

From: [Katherine Kimsey](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [William Ktsanes](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Gabe Quinto](#)
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City Council Members,

I want to draw your attention to something that concerns me. Tonight, despite vociferous public comment against it, the Safety Committee voted to endorse the Police Chief's proposal to enter into a year long contract with Peregrine Technologies. This matter will not come before you because the amount of the contract is under \$45,000.

The "presentation" to the committee failed to answer several important questions, many of which were posed by members of the public including:

-how does Peregrine store and use the data it has access to from ECPD databases?

What license does it have to use the data?

-how does AI come into the system? Peregrine aggregates data and helps police make connections, how does it do that? With AI?

-Peregrine has a function that allows for sharing of data with other jurisdictions. What protections are in place to ensure that doesn't happen? When it inevitably does happen because that is the point of these systems, how will residents be compensated and made whole?

It is my impression that the presentation to the Safety Committee was the whole of the planned public review process. That is entirely unacceptable. I want ECPD to have modern crime fighting tools. But, we simply cannot afford to align ourselves with another Palantir connected, Peter Thiel funded AI data company without properly vetting the company and allowing for public comment. Look at where it got us with Flock.

I ask that you do what you can to bring this important issue before you now so that we aren't having a knock down drag out fight in a year when the contract is up for renewal.

Best,

Rin

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From: [Benjamin Pauw](#)
To: [William Ktsanes](#); [City Clerk](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
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Hello-

Tonight I attended the meeting of the public safety committee. There was discussion of the police using Peregrine Technology.

I am commenting to express my concern about the El Cerrito police partnering with Peregrine. There has not been a sufficient review process to allow the public to learn more about Peregrine and whether it will genuinely keep the citizens of El Cerrito safe - or make us less safe.

I asked Chief Keith if Peregrine uses AI, and he said it does not. But, as I reviewed the company's website it seems clear that Peregrine uses AI: <https://peregrine.io/ai-for-investigations>

Please give the public time to learn about Peregrine before agreeing to spend El Cerrito's budget on technology with links to Palantir. As with Flock, it does not feel safe for our city government to partner with massive surveillance technology.

Thanks,
Benjamin Pauw

From: [Cindy McPherson](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
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I am writing with concern after attending tonight's June 1 Community Safety Committee meeting. Chief Keith brought his idea to **contract with Peregrine Technologies**, another surveillance technology intimately connected with Palantir. I am concerned that the safety committee listened to his pitch and gave an endorsement without doing any review or diligence to accurately understand the company or contracted services.

There was also no communication about this with the public. Keith said he was bringing it to the committee because the Flock contract had been canceled. Council member Ktsanes widely suggested that for transparency, he offer this decision to the City Council, even though the contract amount does not require him to do so, citing transparency with the public as a key goal. I wholeheartedly agree.

Without knowing what exactly Keith wants to contract with Peregrine for, or what the terms, security commitments, or controls are, I submit this summary and caution from the Brennan Center for Justice's Expert Brief: [The Dangers of Unregulated AI in Policing](#), which goes deep into the history of police use of data; today's fusion tools, including Peregrine; problems; and recommendations. Their bottom line conclusion is what I want to advocate for:

"The risk of harm is too high to allow for the uncritical adoption and unregulated use of data fusion and analytics tools." I urge the City Council to review Peregrine and not allow it to be implemented by ECPD without any oversight from the council and input from our residents.

Below is an excerpt from the Brennan Center's brief:

"Across the country, police departments have adopted automated software platforms driven by artificial intelligence (AI) to compile and analyze data. These data fusion tools are poised to change the face of American policing; they promise to help departments forecast crimes, flag suspicious patterns of activity, identify threats, and resolve cases faster. However, many nascent data fusion systems have yet to prove their worth. Without robust safeguards, they risk generating inaccurate results, perpetuating bias, and undermining individual rights.

Police departments have ready access to crime-related data like arrest records and crime trends, commercially available information purchased from data brokers, and data collected through surveillance technologies such as social media monitoring software and video surveillance networks. Police officers analyze this and other data

with the aim of responding to crime in real time, expeditiously solving cases, and even predicting where crimes are likely to occur. Data fusion software vendors make lofty claims that their technologies use AI to supercharge this process. One company [describes](#) its tool as “AI providing steroids or creating superhuman capabilities” for crime analysts.

The growing use of these tools raises serious concerns. Data fusion software allows users to extract volumes of information about people not suspected of criminal activity. It also relies on data from systems that are susceptible to bias and inaccuracy, including social media monitoring tools that cannot parse the complexities of online lingo, gunshot detection systems that wrongly flag innocuous sounds, and facial recognition software whose determinations are often flawed or inconsistent — particularly when applied to people of color.”

Please, do what you can to bring this important issue before you now, for the transparency which is essential to the trust between electeds, police, and residents.

Cindy McPherson, El Cerrito resident

From: [Sara Larsen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech Hello City Councilmembers,
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:01:59 AM

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My name is Sara Larsen and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Sara Larsen



El Cerrito, CA 94530

From: [Kels Jones](#)
To: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Kels Jones and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Kels Joens
Kent Drive El Cerrito

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From: [Jenny Patchen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Jenny Patchen and I have been a resident of El Cerrito for 13 years. I am writing to urge you to reject the ECPD's proposed contract with Peregrine Technologies, which is a brazen end-run around the recent decision to reject Flock.

Peregrine is a data fusion platform that consolidates body camera footage, dispatch records, license plate data, and more into a single mass surveillance database shared across agencies. In Orange County, the sheriff's office admitted it had no policies or procedures governing its use of Peregrine. In Durham, NC, residents raised serious alarms about the platform's AI, predictive policing capabilities, and ties to Palantir.

The Council was right to end our Flock contract. Berkeley's experience proved us correct: a leaked city attorney memo revealed Flock was sharing data with Border Patrol in violation of sanctuary law, and a class action lawsuit was filed in April 2026 for illegally tracking millions of Californians.

I am deeply concerned that Peregrine is now being pushed through as a replacement, effectively circumventing the Council's decision. Watching ECPD engage in such flagrant disregard of our community feels deeply violating as an El Cerrito citizen.

Please don't let a different vendor name obscure what this is: mass surveillance. I urge you to reject this contract.

Thank you,

Jenny Patchen

From: [Rebecah Kenny](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:33:13 AM

I'm an El Cerrito resident. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech. This system would gather our personal data into a mass surveillance database vulnerable to constitutional privacy risks and hacking leaks. If the council doesn't act, this system risks being implemented with little notice or chance for feedback from our community. After the council's thoughtful and measured review of Flock, I hope you will work to ensure community engagement and trust before any possible implementation of Peregrine systems as well.

Thank you,
Rebecah Kenny

From: [Michelle Ayazi](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
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Dear El Cerrito City Council Members,

My name is Michelle Ayazi and I have lived in El Cerrito for over 12 years, since our son was born. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine. Thanks for your consideration.

Warmly,

Michelle Ayazi

Lawrence Street

From: [Michael DeGroff-Kirchgraber](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:40:05 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Michael DeGroff-Kirchgraber and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Michael DeGroff-Kirchgraber
Portola & Richmond

From: [Muzamil Khan](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:53:55 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is M. Muzamil Khan and I live and work in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations.

Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

M. Muzamil Khan

From: [Tamiko Panzella](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:59:59 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Tamiko, I am caregiver for my grandmother who lives in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Tamiko

From: [Chris Rodriguez](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Chris and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Chris Rodriguez

From: [Brendan Harrison](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:09:09 AM

Hello City Council members,

My name is Brendan and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Brendan Harrison

From: [americas.morsewanted](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - not on agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:09:15 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Erica and I am an El Cerrito neighbor and park admirer. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Erica M.
El Cerrito neighbor

From: Michael
To: [City Clerk](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 8:02:13 AM

Hello City Council-members,

My name is Michael Waxman and I live in El Cerrito and been a resident since 1955. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Michael Waxman

From: [Linda Milani](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); wkstanes@elcerrito.gov; qquinto@elcerrito.gov; [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments -Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:20:58 AM

Hello City Council Members,

My name is Linda Milani and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to URGE you to review ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling out Flock contract, I URGE you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine Tech.

Thanks for your consideration,

Linda Milani

Del Norte

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:21:36 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Jennifer and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Jennifer Ruthenburg
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:24:18 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Mark Hersh and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Mark Hersh
[REDACTED]
El Cerrito, CA 94530

From: Benjamin Emmert-Aronson
To: [City Clerk](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public comments - not on the agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:22:18 AM

Good Morning,

My name is Benjamin Emmert-Aronson, and my family and I live in El Cerrito, near Motorcycle Hill. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

We have all received those notices "Your information has been compromised, but we're giving you a year of credit monitoring." Tech companies know that data breaches are only a matter of time - it's an operating principle for them. But what happens when that data isn't our name and address, but surveillance data of our movements? Our images? Our children?

Please at least give the public time to weigh in on this decision.

Thanks for your consideration,
Ben Emmert-Aronson

From: PG Bur
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] NO Peregrine in El Cerrito
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:22:42 AM

NO PEREGRINE IN EL CERRITO

Hello City Councilmembers:

My name is Paula Burch and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paula Burch

El Cerrito Plaza

From: whatsapp doc
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public comments-not on the agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:37:12 AM

Good day, City Council Members,

Ry Crawford here, a home owner and long term El Cerrito resident. I am emailing you to urge you to review the El Cerrito Police Department's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. This system would consolidate residents' personal information into a mass surveillance database with vulnerable security risks and constitutional privacy violations.

Mass surveillance endangers our safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking a step forward in protecting our privacy by not renewing the Flock contract, here is another situation in which I urge you to do the right thing by El Cerrito: review and reconsider any contract with Peregrine Tech.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this.
Ry Crawford
St Jerome's neighborhood of El Cerrito.

From: [Anna Belle Rosen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:34:16 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Anna Belle Rosen and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine. In addition I don't feel safer in a city that uses a security system that runs on AI - a technology that is notoriously riddled with errors. I am not interested in having the safety of me or my child beta-tested for a tech company.

Thanks for your consideration,

Anna Belle Rosen

From: [STEVEN PRICE](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: public comment
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:38:00 AM

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Dear El Cerrito City Council,

As America's automobiles get bigger and bigger, they get safer for the occupants if hit by another car. The downside is that they get more lethal when they strike people on the street—pedestrians, bicyclists, and scooter riders. Our streets are getting less safe as a consequence. The Ohlone Greenway offers protection from automobiles except at intersections where all collisions with cars occur. The Greenway has the greater number of travelers at most intersections yet also has stop signs for Greenway users at almost all intersections defying the natural logic that lower volumes of travel should yield to routes with higher volumes. This must be corrected.

This could be done in manageable phases initially targeting those intersections that pose greater risks to Greenway travelers. Intersections next to the BART stations are at the top of the list starting with Central Avenue and the Greenway. The construction of the TOD building is obstructing motorists' sightlines as they approach the Greenway going west making calming traffic particularly urgent. This location also sees heavy pedestrian traffic as commuters head to and from BART. A letter submitted to the city from the El Cerrito Walk and Roll Coordinating Committee and the BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force prioritizes this location and also the Greenway crossings at Cutting Boulevard and Hill Street near Del Norte BART, and the crossing of Lincoln Avenue.

If the City started by making improvements at one or more of these locations, it would be a popular win for the City since these locations are highly visible to the public.

Sincerely,

Steve Price
El Cerrito

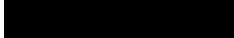
From: [Clifford Federspiel](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:39:23 AM

Dear City Councilmembers,

My name is Clifford Federspiel I livecandcwork in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

-Clifford Federspiel



From: [gene.robinson](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is **Eugene Robinson** and I **live** in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Eugene Robinson
Lower Hill of El Cerrito

From: [mvben33](#)
To: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:49:34 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Jane Daly and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Jane Daly
El Cerrito, near Richmond Annex

From: [Mehmet Seflek](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:52:14 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Mehmet Seflek and I'm a 30+ year resident of El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Mehmet Seflek

From: [Aaron Cohen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:55:57 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Aaron Cohen and I have been a resident of El Cerrito at 8310 Terrace Drive for 13 years. I am writing to urge you to **reject the ECPD's proposed contract with Peregrine Technologies** — even as a “pilot”.

Calling it a pilot doesn't limit the risk; it just limits the scrutiny. Real resident data flows into the system from day one. And pilots like this rarely stay pilots: San Mateo's started as an 18-month trial and became a \$2M, 40-month agreement. El Cerrito's own contract documents already commit the city to absorbing Peregrine costs "in perpetuity" after the grant period ends. That's not a pilot — it's a **permanent surveillance infrastructure with a temporary price tag.**

Peregrine consolidates body camera footage, dispatch records, license plate data, and inter-agency information into one searchable platform. In Orange County, the sheriff admitted there were **no policies governing how that data could be used.** Marin County supervisors just raised the same concerns we should be raising now.

The Council was right to end our Flock contract. Berkeley's experience proved why: a leaked memo showed Flock sharing data with Border Patrol in violation of sanctuary law, and a class action lawsuit followed in April 2026. We were right then.

Please don't approve a more powerful replacement for Flock under the cover of a grant pilot. Our immigrant population deserves better from us as a Sanctuary City

Thank you,

Aaron Cohen

From: [Natalie Slama](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:01:59 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Natalie Slama and I live and work in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Natalie Slama
Korematsu area of El Cerrito

From: [Joanna Lawrence Shenk](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:04:22 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Rev. Joanna Lawrence Shenk and I have called El Cerrito home for just over five years. I am emailing you with concerns about ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. I urge City Council to thoroughly reviewing this tech before approving its use.

I am deeply grateful for the time you took in the last couple months to consider the pros and cons of the Flock contract. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling that contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito.

Let's honor all the beautiful birds of El Cerrito for the ways they enhance our quality of life and say no to corporations that disrespect our feathered friends in service of mass surveillance.

Thanks for your consideration,

Joanna Lawrence Shenk
Del Norte Neighborhood of El Cerrito

Rev. Joanna Lawrence Shenk

Associate Pastor, [First Mennonite Church of San Francisco](#)

Unceded Ohlone homelands



(she/her)

[Front Light](#) co-host, the podcast of Mennonite Action

Author of "[The Movement Makes Us Human: An Interview with Dr. Vincent Harding on Mennonites, Vietnam, and MLK.](#)"

"You'll be free indeed, not when your days are without a care, nor your nights without grief, but rather when these things bind up your life, and yet you rise above them, unbound." -Kahlil Gibran

I answer emails Tuesday-Friday, rarely Saturday and Sunday, and (almost) never on Monday.

From: [Wei-En Chang](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:08:07 AM

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Good morning City Councilmembers,

My name is Wei-En Chang, I live and work in El Cerrito and my kids go to Korematsu and ECHS. I am emailing you to urge a review of ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a non-consensual mass surveillance database that violates constitutional rights to privacy, and is vulnerable to security risks and abuses of power.

Mass surveillance endangers the safety and rights of every resident and visitor of our community. Usage and oversight of such technologies is opaque at best, and the lack of accountability to the public is alarming. After taking a great step forward in protecting our privacy by voting out Flock, I urge you all to review and reject starting a contract with Peregrine. Don't give away our rights, and public funds, to unaccountable vendors.

Thank you very much,

Wei-En Chang
Carlson/Central

From: [Thomas Parks](#)
To: [Gabe Quinto](#)
Cc: [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [City Clerk](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:23:01 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Tom Parks and I'm a 24-year homeowner in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the

ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Tom Parks

From: [Jegath Geronimo](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public comments - not on the agenda - Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:40:51 AM

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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Jiggy Geronimo and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito.

After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine. At the very least, the public deserves a chance to ask questions and have transparency into this process.

Thanks for your consideration,
Jiggy Geronimo
Near Castro Park of El Cerrito

From: [Lauren Arnest](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:45:04 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Lauren Arnest and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Lauren Arnest Midtown El Cerrito

From: [Miguel Gravelle Izaguirre](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Miguel Gravelle Izaguirre](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:46:42 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Miguel and I live and work in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Miguel
Lower Hill

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: gquinto@elcerrito.gov; [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:52:17 AM

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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Hank and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

This matter will not come before you because the amount of the contract is under \$45,000. I will remind council members that Chief Keith has previously held dedicated public meetings for the sole purpose of gather public comment as well as gave a presentation to city council before entering into a contract with ClearviewAI so ECPD could use their facial recognition software. That contract amount was for \$7,000. He also expressed having gotten good information from the public that would eventually be incorporated into the ECPD's current polices regarding how they are allowed to us facial recognition software.

Thanks for your consideration,
Hank
El Cerrito resident since birth

From: [Minju Cho](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:52:40 AM

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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Michelle Cho and I live in El Cerrito near Canyon Trail Park with my husband and toddler daughter. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. I commend you for taking a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Michelle Cho

From: [Maddie Carpenter](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10:59:17 AM

Hello City Council members,

My name is Maddie and I live in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Maddie
El Cerrito Resident

From: judith green
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comments-Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 11:06:40 AM

To City Council Members<

My name is Judith Green and I have been an El Cerrito resident for over 25 years. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal information into a Mass Surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident of and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by canceling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

In my opinion, mass surveillance is one of the most dangerous and greatest threats to freedom in our country. Please do not allow this to move forward without public input.

Thanks you for your consideration,

Judith C. Green


El Cerrito, CA 94530

From: [Melissa Murphy](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: NO ON PEREGRINE Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 11:20:29 AM

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Dear Members of the EL Cerrito City Council:

I live and work in El Cerrito and am writing to urge you to carefully review ECPD's proposed contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito.

Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

The city should also consider the likelihood of costly lawsuits that would arise against the city as a consequence of foreseeable hacks and leaks from such database, setting aside possible suits for collecting this data in the first place.

Thank you for reading.

Melissa Murphy

Del Norte Bart neighborhood

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From: [Jeremiah Maller](#)
To: [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Please Require Public Review Before Any Peregrine Contract (Public Comment)
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 11:30:50 AM

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Dear Mayor Quinto and City Councilmembers,

Thank you for voting on May 5 not to renew El Cerrito's Flock contract. That decision showed real responsiveness to community concerns about privacy, unauthorized data access, and the risks of surveillance technology. The Council voted 3-2 not to renew the contract.

For those same reasons, I urge the City not to allow the Police Department to purchase or contract for Peregrine without full City Council review and meaningful public input.

Peregrine is not ordinary police software. It is an AI-enabled data-fusion platform that can make police data centralized, searchable, and actionable. That raises many of the same concerns residents had about Flock, but potentially on a broader scale. Flock focused primarily on automated license plate reader data. Peregrine could consolidate multiple categories of sensitive information into one platform, increasing the risks of misuse, data breaches, mission creep, and outside-agency access.

The recent Flock debate showed that these concerns are not hypothetical. Public reporting described unauthorized federal agency searches of El Cerrito's Flock system and concerns that the City could not fully control how data was accessed once it entered a cloud-based surveillance platform.

Even if a Peregrine contract technically does not require Council approval, a technology with this level of surveillance impact should not move forward through an administrative process alone. The public deserves a City Council agenda item, a staff report, and a clear explanation of what data Peregrine would access, who could search it, how long information would be retained, whether outside agencies could access it, and what safeguards would prevent misuse.

Please place this item on a City Council agenda before any contract is approved or implemented. El Cerrito should not expand police surveillance infrastructure without transparency, accountability, and community consent.

Sincerely,
Jeremiah Maller
Berkeley resident and frequent visitor and shopper in El Cerrito

From: Sandy Lynn Davis
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 11:31:35 AM

Hello City Councilmembers,

I urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito.

After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Sandy Davis
El Cerrito Plaza resident

From: [Graham Laird Prentice](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 3:17:26 PM

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Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is Graham Prentice and I live and work in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with **Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a **mass surveillance database** that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

Graham L.P.
Mid-town El Cerrito

From: [AJ](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: [UNKNOWN SENDER] Public Comments - Not on the Agenda: Peregrine Tech
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 3:36:47 PM

Hello City Councilmembers,

My name is NAME and I live/work in El Cerrito. I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech for a data fusion/ integration platform for El Cerrito. Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to security risks and constitutional privacy violations. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the constitutional rights for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,

AJ cho

From: [Rosie Fei](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Cc: [Gabe Quinto](#); [Rebecca Saltzman](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [William Ktsanes](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#)
Subject: No Peregrine (or any Mass Surveillance) in El Cerrito!
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 3:46:07 PM

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Hello El Cerrito Councilmembers,

My name is Rosie Fei and I live in El Cerrito.

First, I want to thank the Councilmembers in ensuring our Flock contract was not renewed. I have serious concerns about how mass surveillance and data gathered from it is used to hurt our most marginalized community members.

Switching from one contract to another to mass surveil El Cerrito residents is **not** the solution to true safety. Therefore, **I am emailing you to urge you to review the ECPD's intended contract with Peregrine Tech** for a data fusion/integration platform for El Cerrito.

Such a system would consolidate residents' personal info into a mass surveillance database that is vulnerable to **security risks** and **constitutional privacy violations**. Mass surveillance endangers the safety and violates the **constitutional rights** for every resident and visitor to El Cerrito. After taking such a great step forward in protecting our privacy by cancelling our Flock contract, I urge you to review and reconsider starting a contract with Peregrine.

Thanks for your consideration,
Rosie Fei
El Cerrito Resident

Fiscal Year 2026-27 & Fiscal Year 2027-28 Proposed Biennial Budget

*City of El Cerrito
El Cerrito Public Financing Authority
El Cerrito Employee Pension Trust Board*



June 2, 2026

Agenda

- Budget Overview
- Budget Public Engagement Process
- Proposed Budget – All Funds
- Proposed Budget – General Fund
- Long-Range General Fund Forecast
- Capital Improvement Program
- Next Steps



Budget Overview and Process



About the Budget



- Adopted annually per El Cerrito Municipal Code
 - July 1 – June 30 fiscal calendar
- Major Types of Funds
 - General Fund – supports general governmental functions, unrestricted dollars
 - Special Revenue Fund – funds restricted for a specific program or use
 - E.g., Gas Tax Fund must be used for streets and road-related programs
 - Enterprise Fund – self-supporting activities funded by fees on a user-charge basis
 - Integrated Waste Management Fund is supported by user charges for the City’s solid waste program
 - Capital Fund – track capital projects using a variety of funding sources
 - Debt Service Funds – track the City’s payments on major debt
 - Internal Service Funds – set aside funds over time for future expenses

Budget Process Overview



- Staff develop detailed revenue budget using past actuals, current trends, economic trends and forecasting, proposed or projected rate changes, and expert analyses
- Staff determine personnel costs, including salaries, benefits, CalPERS, workers' compensation
- Evaluate other non-discretionary expenses including insurance and utilities
- Target-Based Budgeting: departments receive a “target” and submit budget proposals based on City revenues and funding, not status-quo expenditures
- City Council, FAB and community provide input on budget priorities through strategic plan,
- public meetings and workshops, and surveys
- City Manager reviews and approves or rejects budget requests, proposes additional changes if required to balance the budget
- City Council reviews scenarios and proposals and provides direction on how to balance maintaining services with keeping reserve levels high.

Budget Guiding Principles



Fiscal Sustainability

- Annual budgets should balance and avoid deficit spending.

One City, One General Fund

- General Fund revenue is a shared resource across all departments.

Transparency

- Provide City Council, Finance, the City Manager and the public with the information they need to make informed decisions and support the City's objectives.

One-Time Uses for One-Time Revenue

- Fund balance and one-time revenue should be used for one-time costs, not ongoing programmatic or staffing needs.

Budget to the Bottom Line (Division Level)

- Departments have the discretion to allocate spending among line items within a division for non-personnel expenses.
- The use of salary savings for other expenses must be approved by City Manager and Finance Director.

Complete Budgets during Annual Budget Process

- Budget amendments to the General Fund should be avoided off-cycle, including during mid-year.

Plan and Prepare for Long-Term Needs

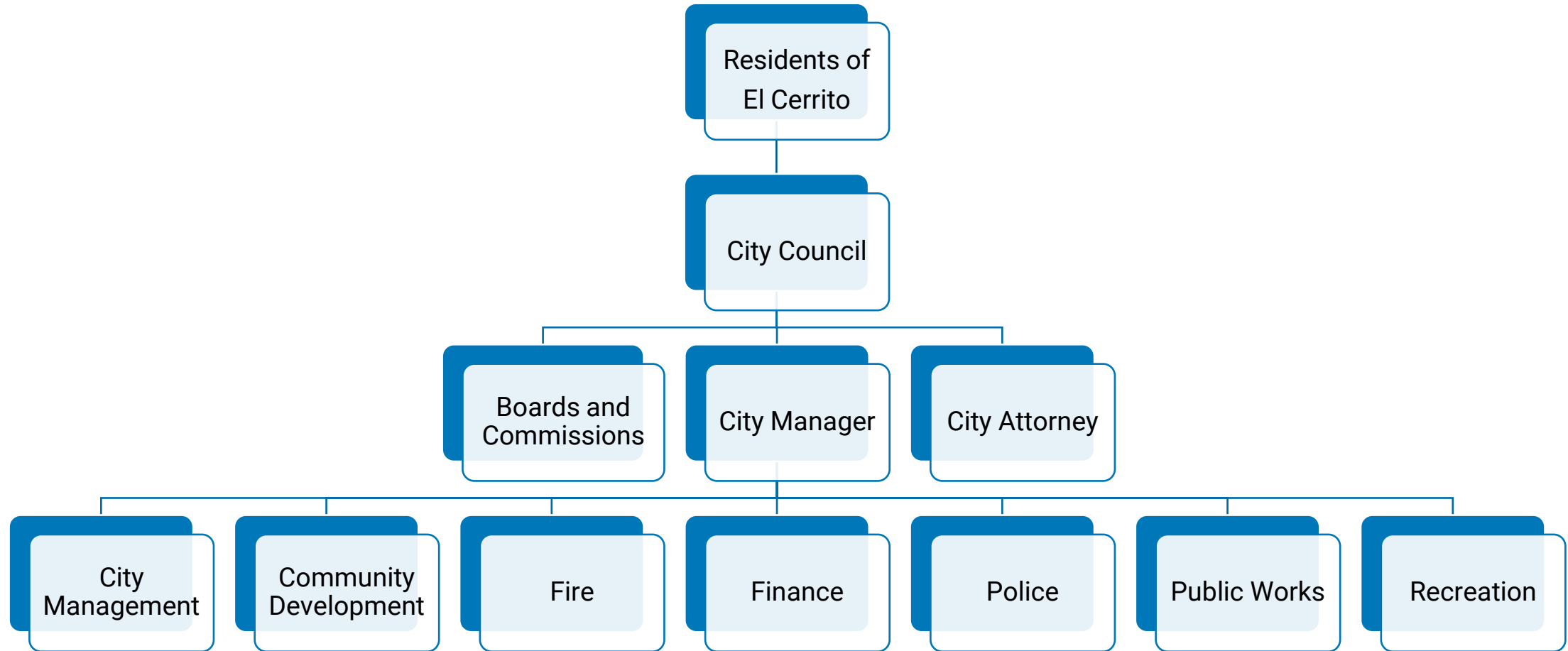
- Finance plans to develop asset replacement plans and internal service funds to prepare for long-term needs.

Strategic Plan

- Reaffirmed by City Council at January Workshop
- Budget process and recommendations guided by Strategic Plan
- Department workplans aligned to Strategic Plan goals
 - Detailed strategic alignment information for each department has been included in budget document



City Organization



Public Engagement



Budget Survey

- Open from January 16 through March 31, 2026
- 173 respondents
- 96% of respondents live in El Cerrito
- 4 questions:
 - Investment levels of 16 City services
 - Top 3 Budget Priorities
 - Allocate Points across Infrastructure categories
 - Open-ended Comments

Budget Workshops

- In-person workshop on March 7, 2026, and virtual workshop on March 25, 2026
 - Recording available on City Website
- Included a review of city finances and city services
- Two activities:
 - Survey to consider tradeoffs
 - Prioritization of core service areas

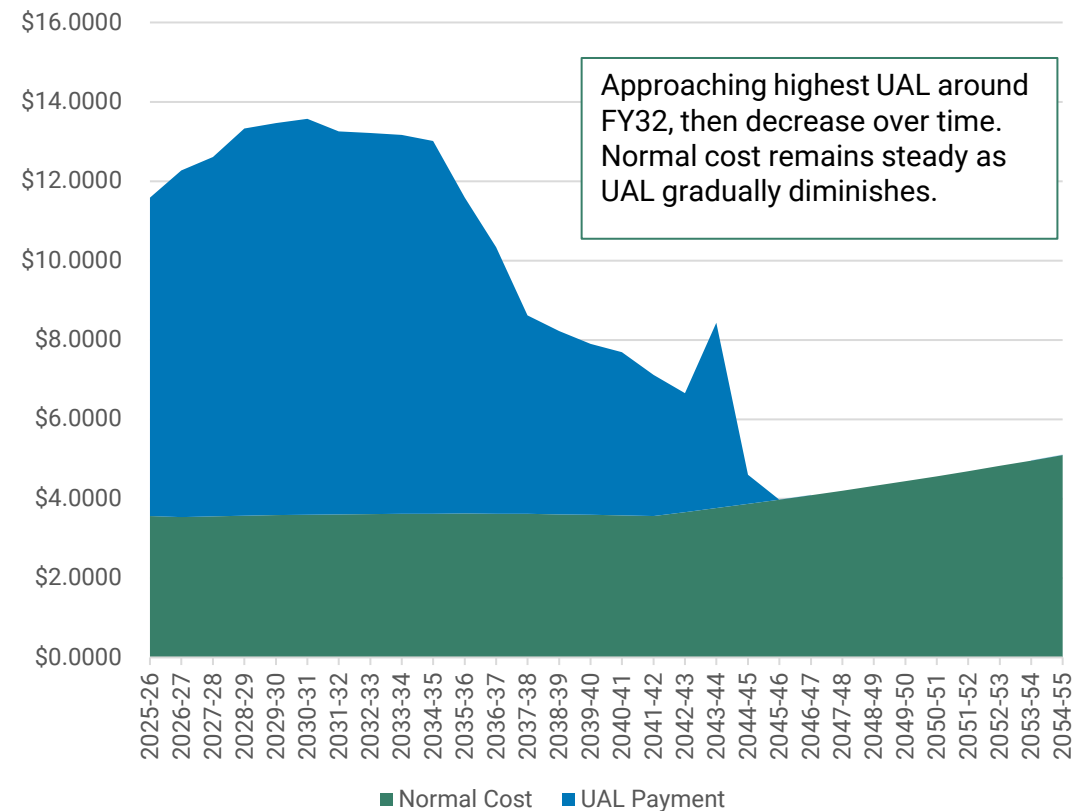
Detailed survey and workshop data presented to the City Council on April 21, 2026

Major Factors Influencing the Budget



- Economy uncertain:
 - International conflict
 - Tariff uncertainty
 - Complex interest rate environment
 - Consumer confidence shaky
 - Inflation stabilizing but still impacting costs
 - Volatile and costly insurance markets
- Insurance markets – rapidly increasing costs
- Pension costs – rising but approaching peak
- Unfunded mandates and increasing state requirements

Projected City Pension Costs



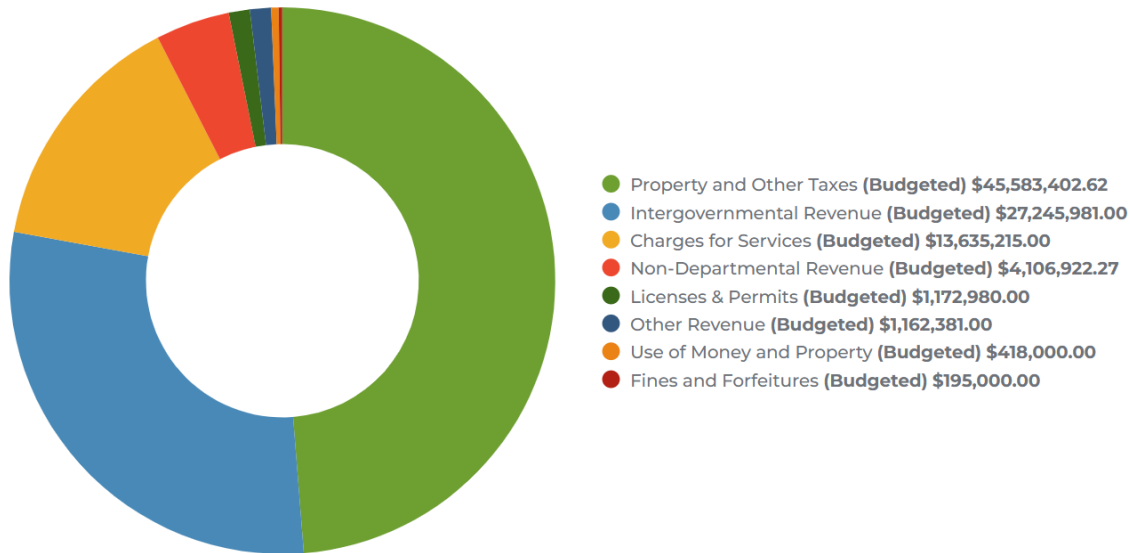
Citywide Budget – All Funds



Revenues – All Funds by Source



Citywide Revenue by Source – FY 2026-27



- **Property Tax:** \$19.2M annually, 5% increase
- **Sales Tax:** \$12.4M annually, 2% increase
- **Property Transfer Tax:** \$3.4M annually, 6% increase
- **Utility Users Tax:** \$4.9M, 32% increase
 - FY26 budget significantly lower than actuals in both FY25 and FY26
 - New court case with expected positive impacts on the City's UUT
- **Fees and Other:** \$48M, 60% increase
 - Increase primarily from grants (181% increase over FY26 budget)

Revenues – All Funds

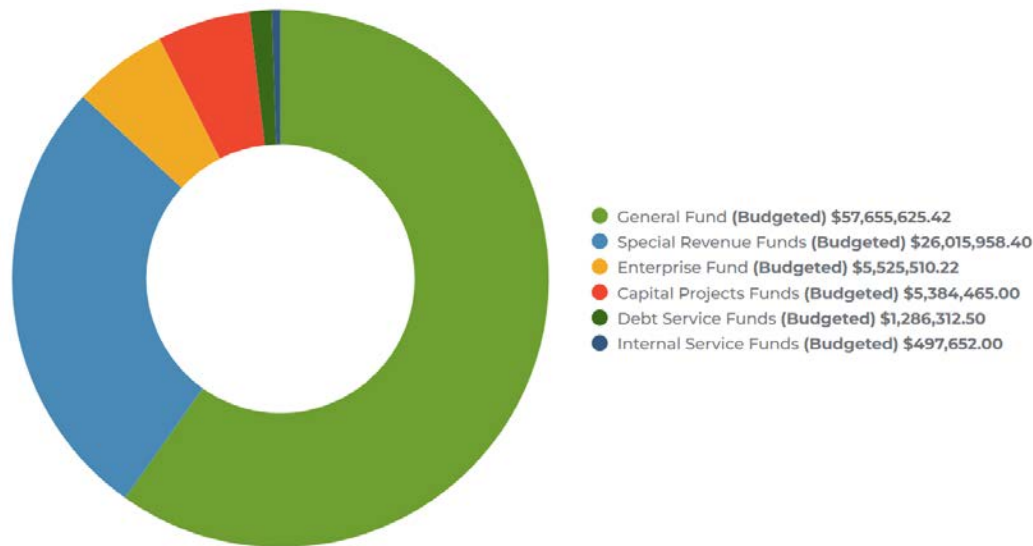


Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Property and Other Taxes	\$43,631,001	\$42,183,936	\$45,583,403	\$47,067,897
Licenses & Permits	\$1,414,521	\$1,073,280	\$1,172,980	\$1,208,169
Fines and Forfeitures	\$198,861	\$130,000	\$195,000	\$195,000
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$6,359,263	\$3,699,695	\$4,106,922	\$4,147,068
Use of Money and Property	\$427,941	\$547,190	\$418,000	\$431,000
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$13,157,846	\$9,685,103	\$27,245,981	\$16,600,474
Charges for Services	\$12,338,386	\$12,591,551	\$13,635,215	\$14,556,690
Other Revenue	\$1,542,239	\$955,200	\$1,162,381	\$1,045,400
Total Revenues	\$79,070,056	\$70,865,956	\$93,519,882	\$85,251,699

Expenditures – By Fund



Citywide Expenditures by Fund Type – FY 2026-27

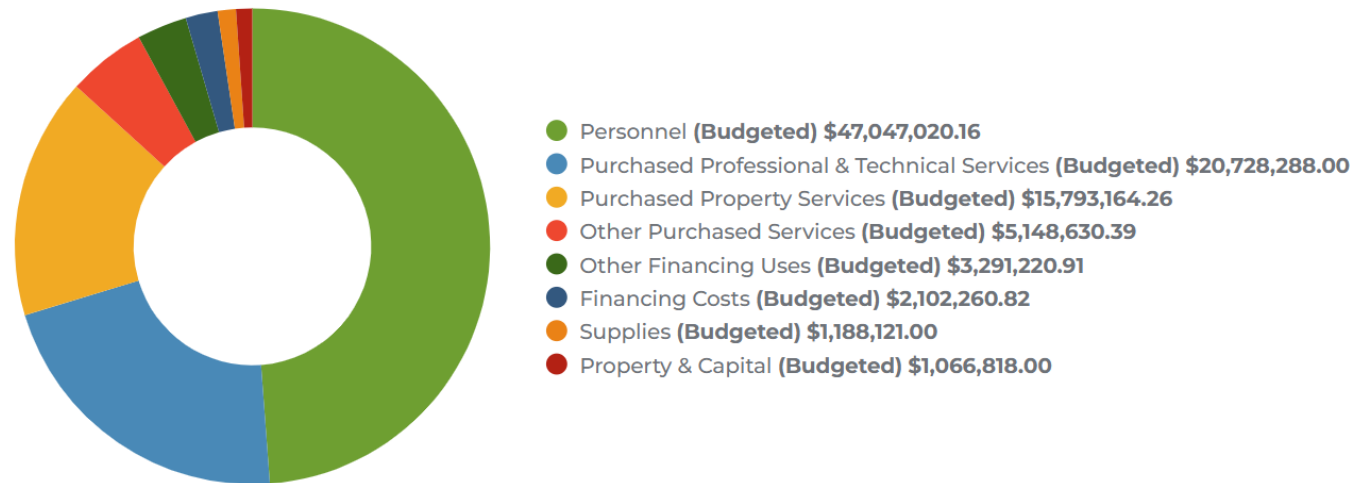


- General Fund is largest part of City operations
- Special revenue funds include:
 - Gas Tax funds and Street Improvement Fund (Measure A)
 - Measure H Parcel Tax for Parks
 - Landscape and Lighting District
- Enterprise Fund is the Solid Waste & Recycling Program (Integrated Waste Management Fund)
- Expenditures vary widely based on type of revenue (source) and allowable uses

Expenditures by Type



Citywide Expenditures by Fund Type – FY 2026-27



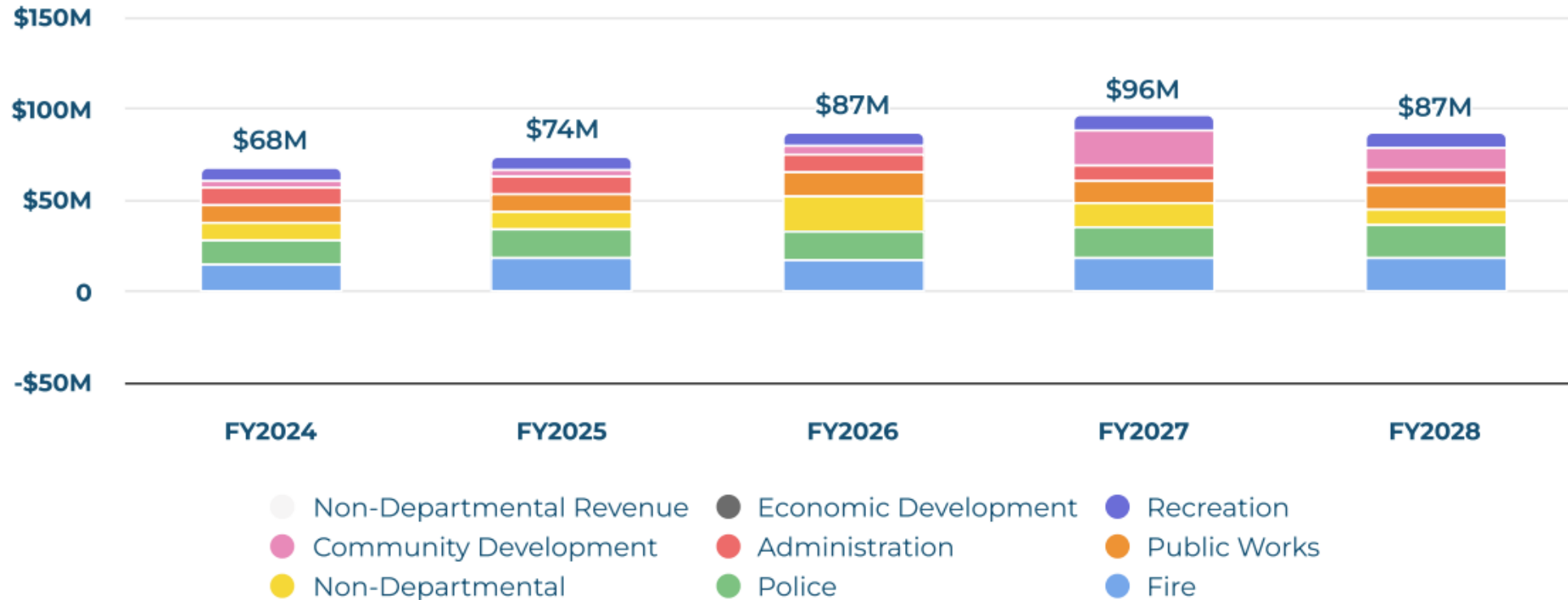
- Personnel costs
 - Salaries
 - Pension
 - One-Time Payouts
 - Medical and Other Benefits
- Non-Personnel
 - Insurance
 - Utilities
 - Professional services
 - Software
 - Supplies

Proposed Staffing



Department	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
City Council	5	5	5	5	5	5
City Management	10	10.5	10	10	10	10
Finance	6	6.5	6	6	6	6
Community Development	15	15	15	15	15	15
Police	48	48	48	48	48	48
Fire	37	37.5	37.5	38	38	38
Public Works	25.5	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.44	27.44
Recreation	18	20	20	20	20	20
TOTAL	165.2	169.8	168.8	168.8	167.44	167.44

Citywide Expenditures by Department



Includes significant new grant funding in FY 2026-27 in the Community Development Department

Major Budget Changes



Structural Changes

- Increased investment in Internal Service Funds
 - Vehicles & Equipment
 - Capital and deferred maintenance
- Updated cost allocations to special funds
- Updated budget methodology for insurance, worker's compensation, and one-time payouts

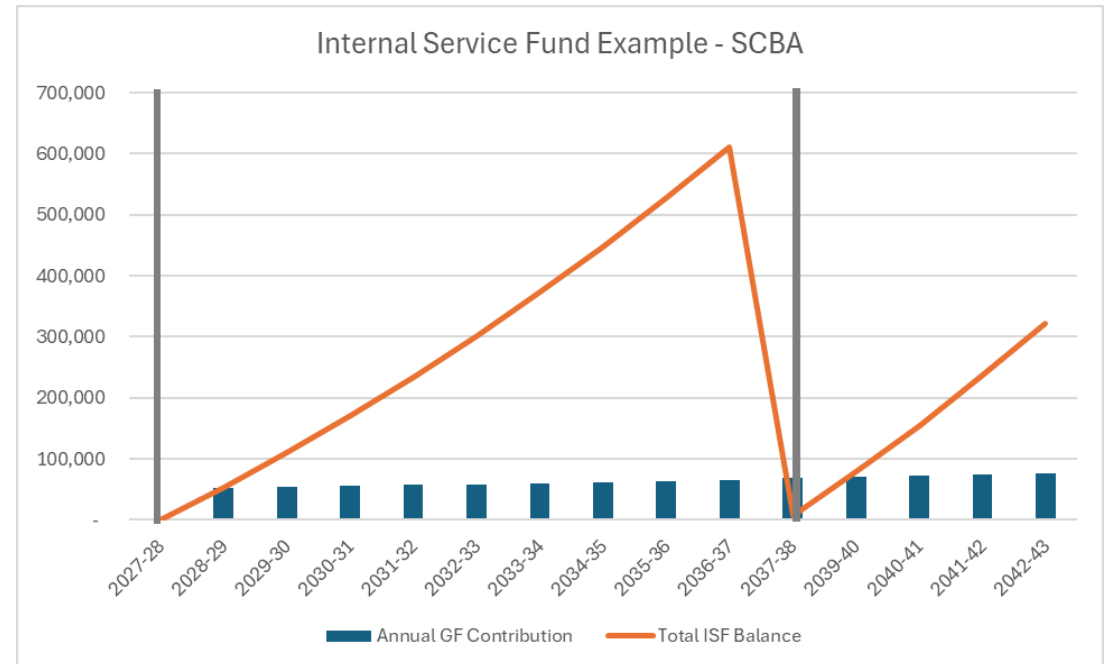
Budget Cuts

- Reductions to non-personnel budgets citywide, including supplies, equipment, professional services, and maintenance
 - Decrease in professional communications and facilitation support
 - Decrease City Council travel and training
- Reduction in some programs and events
 - Reduced City contribution to 4th of July event
 - Cancel Advisory Board Member recognition dinner, holiday light installation on San Pablo Avenue, some Recreation special events

About Internal Service Funds (ISFs)



- Annual contributions replace one-time budget impacts
 - Funded throughout asset lifetime until replacement needed
- Unique replacement schedules for major equipment and vehicles
 - Tracked by Finance and Depts
 - Replacement schedules use estimates of future cost increases
- Balances grow with investment earnings



SCBA = Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus

Citywide Fund Balances



- Detailed table of all fund balances in budget book
- General Fund to remain above 29% unrestricted reserves in both years (13% EDRF and 16% unassigned)

Fund No	Fund Description	Projected at 6/30/2026	FY 27 Rev	FY 27 Exp	Net	Est. Balance 6/30/2027	FY 28 Rev	FY 28 Exp	Net	Est. Balance 6/30/2028
101	General Fund	\$ 21,118,878	\$ 58,429,822	\$ 57,654,998	\$ (250,376)	\$ 20,868,501	\$ 60,405,305	\$ 60,177,922	\$ (261,217)	\$ 20,607,284
103	Section 115	2,960,245	90,000	627	89,373	3,049,618	90,000	646	89,354	3,138,972
Special										
201	Gas Tax Fund	\$ 386,157	\$ 760,117	\$ 888,893	\$ (128,776)	\$ 257,381	\$ 765,243	\$ 874,920	\$ (109,677)	\$ 147,704
202	Narl Pollut Dis Elim Sys	373,169	288,500	436,231	(147,731)	225,438	282,900	456,094	(173,194)	52,244
203	Land & Light Assess Distr	92,699	801,150	861,277	(60,127)	32,572	801,150	833,721	(32,571)	1
204	Measure J-Return to Source Fund	473,374	633,238	818,599	(185,361)	288,013	649,069	790,494	(141,425)	146,588
205	Measure J Storm Drain	374,733	711,816	755,507	(43,691)	331,042	711,816	1,042,337	(330,521)	521
207	Measure H Park & Rec Facilities	288,783	640,000	671,486	(31,486)	257,297	640,000	666,156	(26,156)	231,141
208	Asset Seizure Fund	229,474	-	100,000	(100,000)	129,474	-	100,000	(100,000)	29,474
209	Vehicle Abatement Fund	152,326	8,000	70,000	(62,000)	90,326	8,000	35,000	(27,000)	63,326
210	Open Space In Lieu Fund	187,287	-	-	-	187,287	-	-	-	187,287
211	Street Improvemt & Maint	2,665,314	2,451,000	4,305,722	(1,854,722)	810,592	2,510,000	3,225,791	(715,791)	94,801
212	SBI-Road Repair & Accountability	506,878	730,952	1,046,209	(315,257)	191,621	750,800	854,169	(103,369)	88,252
213	Public Art Fund	125,248	-	50,500	(50,500)	74,748	-	50,500	(50,500)	24,248
214	Measure J-Paratransit Fund	680,611	255,000	365,316	(110,316)	570,295	255,000	246,515	8,485	578,780
222	C.O.P.S. Grant Fund	140,326	175,000	256,250	(81,250)	59,076	175,000	226,250	(51,250)	7,826
225	Donations	-	175,000	175,000	-	-	125,000	125,000	-	-
226	Donations - Recreation	25,550	-	-	-	25,550	-	-	-	25,550
228	Grants - Community Development	-	8,600,000	8,600,000	-	-	5,108,715	5,108,715	-	-
230	Municipal Services Corp	83,661	100,000	128,073	(28,073)	55,588	100,000	133,226	(33,226)	22,362
231	City Housing Trust Fund	3,955,000	6,836,507	6,486,507	350,000	4,305,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	-	4,305,000
232	City LMI Housing Fund	4,908,458	-	389	(389)	4,908,069	-	400	(400)	4,907,669
Total		\$ 15,849,047	\$ 23,166,280	\$ 26,015,959	\$ (2,846,679)	\$ 12,799,368	\$ 15,182,693	\$ 17,069,288	\$ (1,886,595)	\$ 10,912,773
Debt										
835	City Hall Bond D/S	\$ 127,169	\$ 610,131	\$ 578,813	\$ 31,318	\$ 158,487	\$ 606,631	\$ 575,313	\$ 31,318	\$ 189,805
836	Street Imp Bond D/S	6,020	707,500	707,500	-	6,020	705,750	705,750	-	6,020
		\$ 133,190	\$ 1,317,631	\$ 1,286,313	\$ 31,318	\$ 164,507	\$ 1,312,381	\$ 1,281,063	\$ 31,318	\$ 195,825
Capital										
3	Capital Improvement Funds	\$ 2,408,127	\$ 4,133,865	\$ 5,384,465	\$ (1,250,600)	\$ 1,247,527	\$ 1,251,300	\$ 1,306,992	\$ (145,692)	\$ 1,101,835
Internal										
601	Vehicle/Equip Replacement	\$ 1,202,471	\$ 959,998	\$ 497,652	\$ 462,346	\$ 1,664,817	\$ 1,264,996	\$ 497,651	\$ 767,345	\$ 2,432,162
Enterprise										
501	Integrated Waste Mgmt	\$ 2,020,198	\$ 5,432,394	\$ 5,825,510	\$ (93,116)	\$ 2,827,082	\$ 5,755,239	\$ 6,007,770	\$ (252,531)	\$ 2,874,551
Total		\$ 40,482,156	\$ 93,529,790	\$ 96,365,524	\$ (3,860,734)	\$ 42,821,421	\$ 85,261,914	\$ 86,431,332	\$ (1,658,018)	\$ 40,963,403

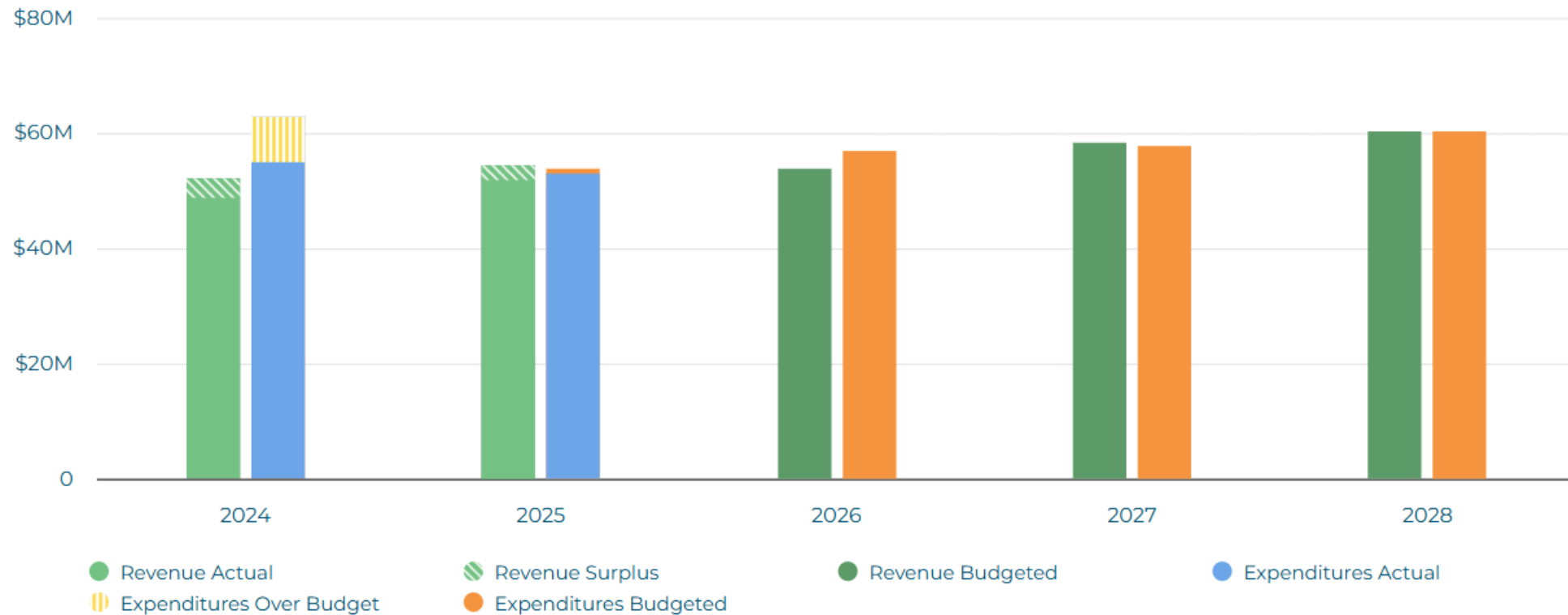
General Fund



Operating Budget Overview



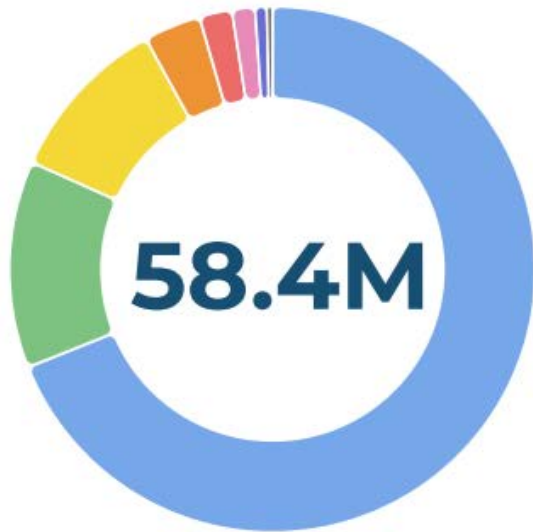
Revenues vs Expenditures Summary



General Fund Revenue



FY27 Revenues by Type



Property and Other Taxes	\$40,283,414	68.94%
Charges for Services	\$7,440,227	12.73%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$6,043,597	10.34%
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$2,048,587	3.51%
Licenses & Permits	\$1,172,980	2.01%
Other Revenue	\$827,816	1.42%
Use of Money and Property	\$418,000	0.72%
Fines and Forfeitures	\$195,000	0.33%

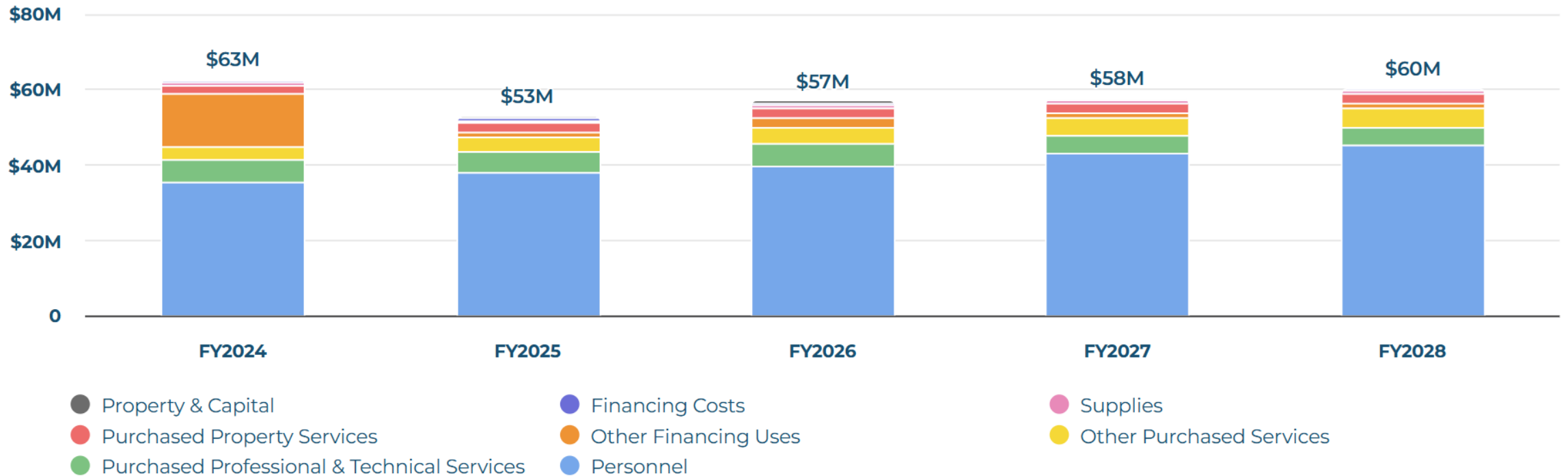
- General Fund revenues remain stable
- Most revenues received from general purpose taxes, including:
 - Property Tax
 - Sales and Transactions Taxes
 - Utility Users Taxes
 - Property Transfer Tax
 - Business License Taxes
- Council adopted updates to Master Fee Schedule on May 19, 2026

Revenue by Type



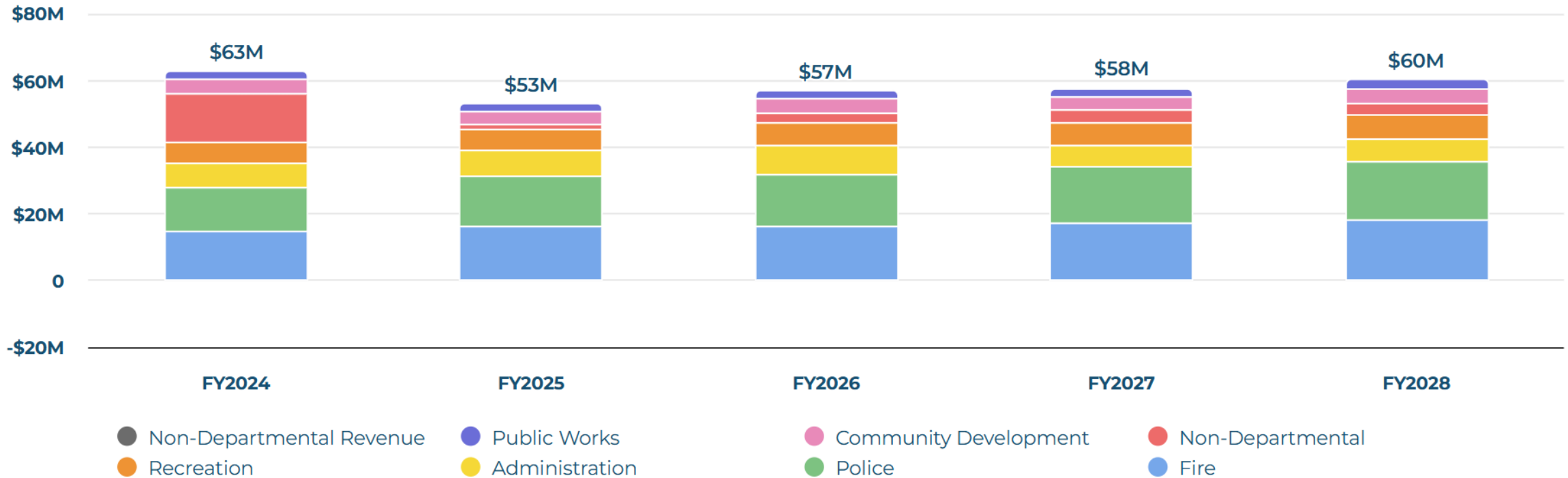
Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Property and Other Taxes	\$36,176,468	\$36,865,664	\$40,283,414	\$41,693,077
Licenses & Permits	\$1,414,521	\$1,073,280	\$1,172,980	\$1,208,169
Fines and Forfeitures	\$198,861	\$130,000	\$195,000	\$195,000
Non-Departmental Revenue	\$1,737,762	\$1,451,502	\$2,048,587	\$2,113,984
Use of Money and Property	\$427,941	\$410,600	\$418,000	\$431,000
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$6,180,922	\$5,551,043	\$6,043,597	\$6,216,116
Charges for Services	\$7,459,593	\$7,550,502	\$7,440,227	\$7,713,858
Other Revenue	\$695,879	\$747,200	\$827,816	\$834,100
Total Revenues	\$54,291,946	\$53,779,792	\$58,429,622	\$60,405,305

Expenditures by Type



High Other Financing Uses expenditures in FY 2023-24 were due to the City's investment of \$9 million into the EDRF.

Expenditures by Department



High Non-Departmental expenditures in FY 2023-24 were due to the City's investment of \$9 million into the EDRF.

Expenditures by Department



Category	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Amended Budget	FY 2027 Budgeted	FY 2028 Budgeted
Non-Departmental Revenue	(\$3,258)	-	-	-
Administration	\$7,694,840	\$9,103,654	\$6,530,969	\$6,781,537
Public Works	\$2,316,511	\$2,631,758	\$2,782,433	\$2,846,856
Police	\$14,902,515	\$15,323,961	\$16,633,894	\$17,517,534
Fire	\$16,400,399	\$16,144,408	\$17,339,840	\$17,911,556
Community Development	\$3,847,195	\$4,113,906	\$3,960,368	\$4,196,659
Recreation	\$6,433,269	\$6,712,967	\$6,941,819	\$7,233,603
Non-Departmental	\$1,399,278	\$2,880,767	\$3,465,676	\$3,690,177
Total Expenditures	\$52,990,749	\$56,911,420	\$57,654,998	\$60,177,922

Note: Non-Departmental Revenues in FY 2024-25 Actuals relate to accounts no longer in use. Future similar expenses will be classified as Non-Departmental, but past actuals cannot be changed.

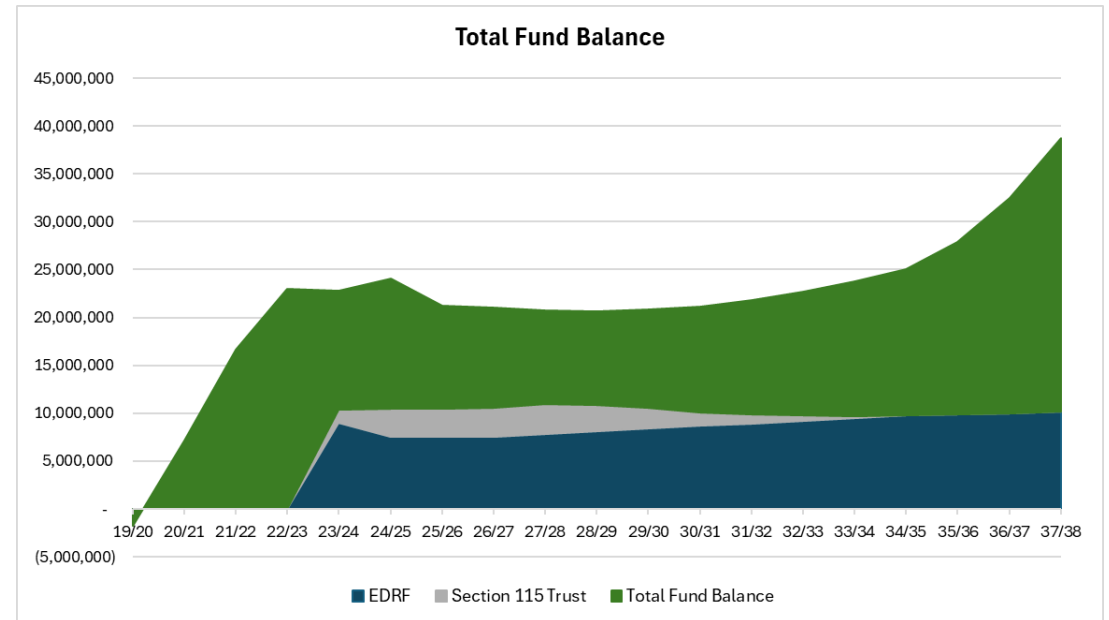
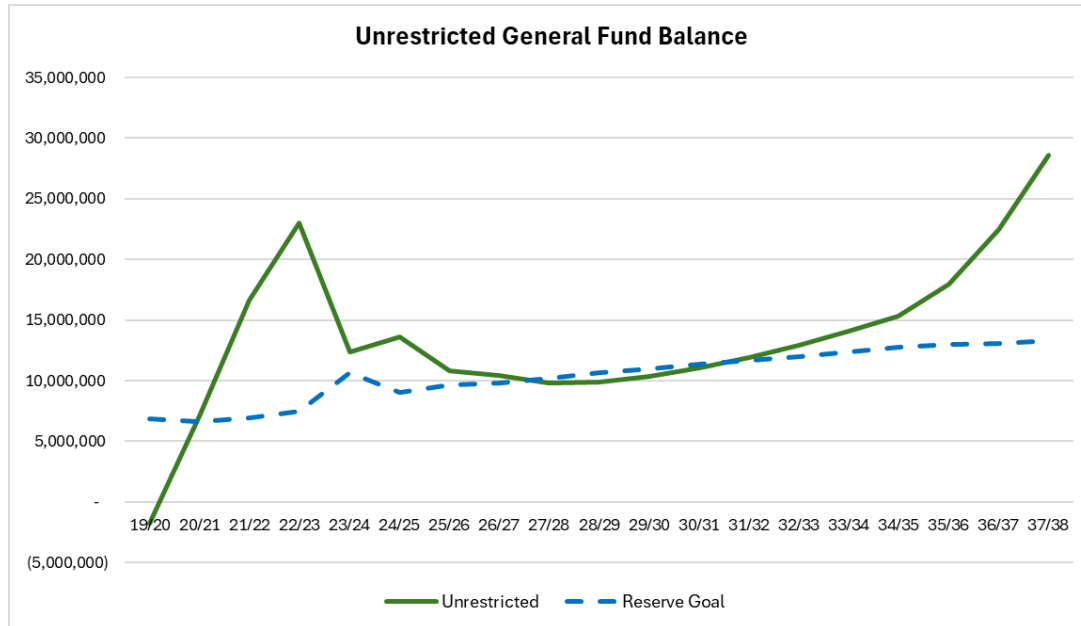
Major One-Time Expenditures



- 2 major needs recommended for use of one-time fund balance
 - Fire Engine approaching 15-year end-of-life
 - Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBAs): approaching federally-mandated maximum service life of 15 years
- Payments frontloaded through ISF contributions to smooth budgetary impacts

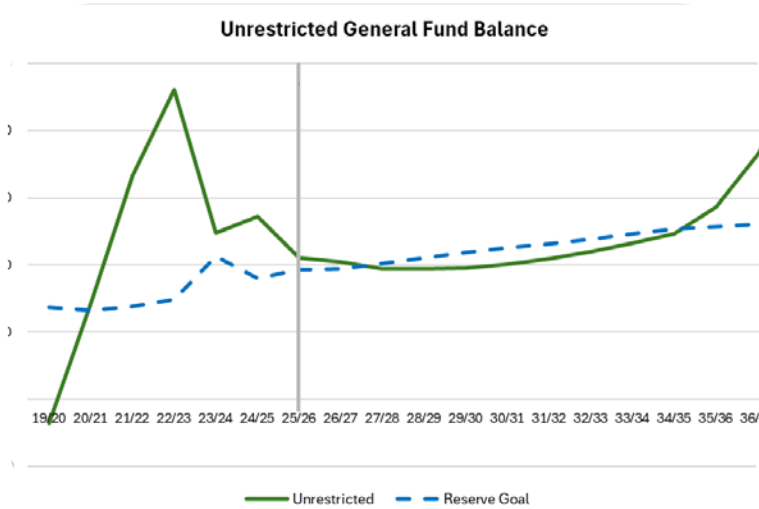
Item	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	Total
Fire Engine	\$1,025,000	\$158,600	\$1,183,600
SCBAs	-	330,000	330,000
Total General Fund Contribution	\$1,025,000	\$488,600	\$1,513,600

Long-Range General Fund Forecast

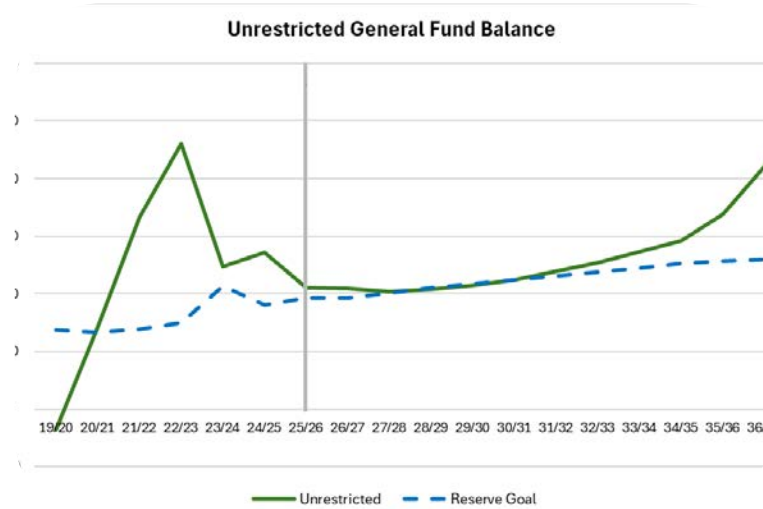


- Reserves remain above 31% in FY 2026-27 and above 29% (\$20.8M) in all subsequent forecasted years
- Use of Section 115 modeled to smooth highest UAL costs from FY29 to FY35

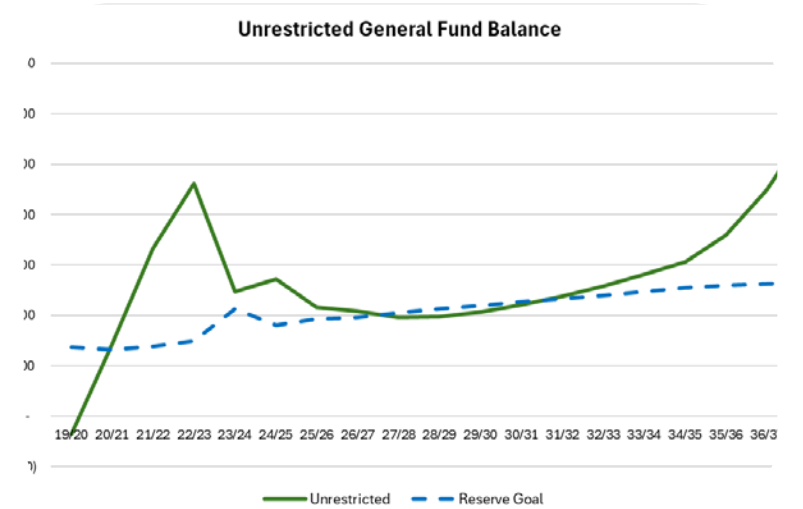
Forecast Comparison – May 19 to Budget



Scenario B+



Scenario C+



Proposed Budget

Proposed Budget maintains reserves higher than Scenario B+, and lower than Scenario C+.

Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget



CIP Budget Process

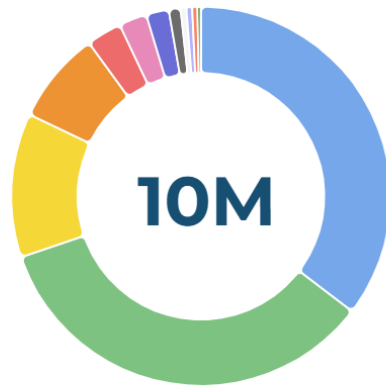


- Multi-year planning tool updated annually
 - One year appropriated each June along with operating budget
- Organized by project category with identified funding sources
 - Unfunded needs listed for long-range planning
 - Cost estimates reflect project stage
- Prioritization criteria:
 - Health, safety, and legal
 - Asset condition
 - Prior investment protection
 - Grant leverage
 - Strategic plan and priority alignment
 - Operational impact
 - Community benefit and equity
- New ClearGov CIP Budgeting tool: interactive, project-level transparency

CIP Budget - Summary



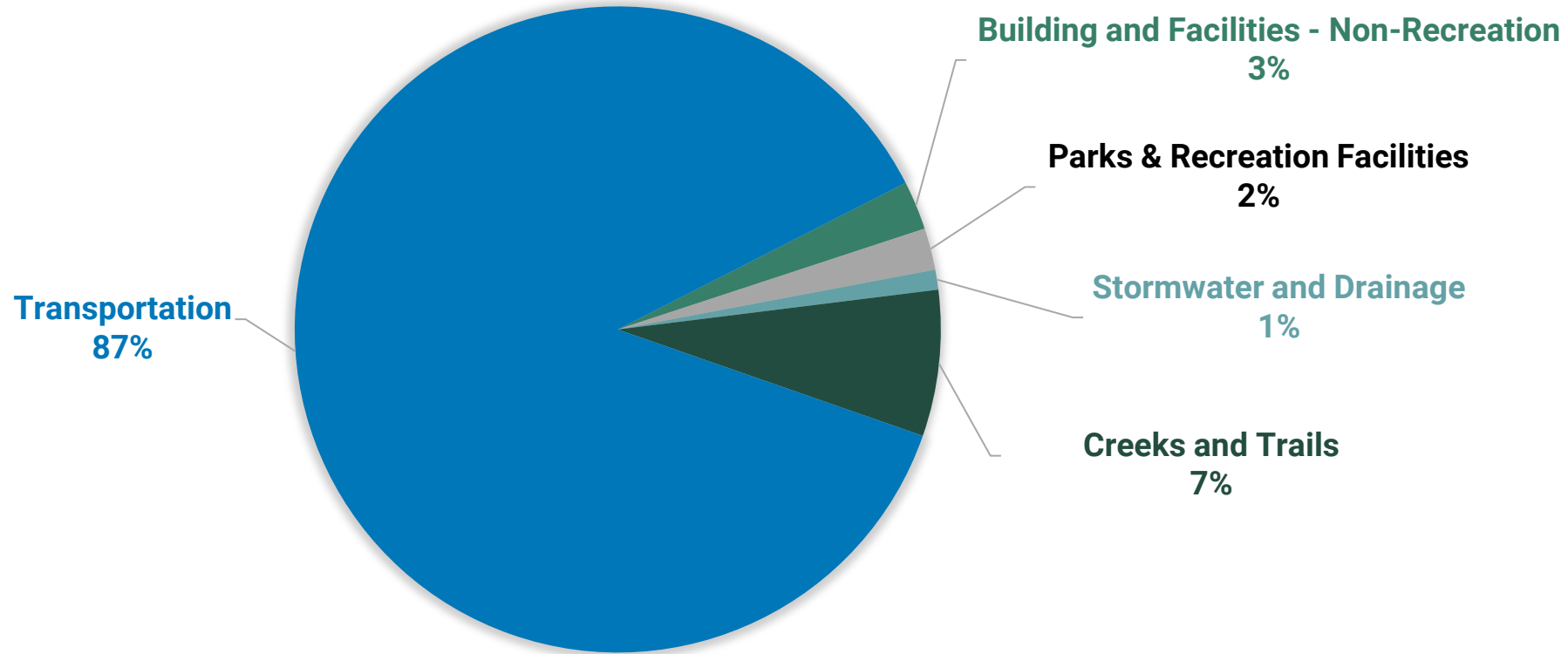
FY27 Total Funding Requested by Source



State Grant (secured)	\$3,540,600	35.36%
Measure A Street Improvement Fund	\$3,449,730	34.45%
Capital Improvement Fund	\$1,230,600	12.29%
SBI-Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account	\$788,000	7.87%
General Fund	\$300,000	3.00%
Local Grant (secured)	\$240,000	2.40%
Measure J Return to Source Fund	\$192,000	1.92%
Measure J Storm Drain Fund	\$100,000	1.00%
Gas Tax Fund	\$50,000	0.50%
Integrated Waste Management Fund	\$50,000	0.50%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$44,400	0.44%
Donations	\$28,865	0.29%

- \$10M of projects planned for FY 2026-27, largely grant-funded
- Over 30 active projects
 - Primarily Transportation projects in FY 2026-27
 - Variety of smaller parks and facilities projects

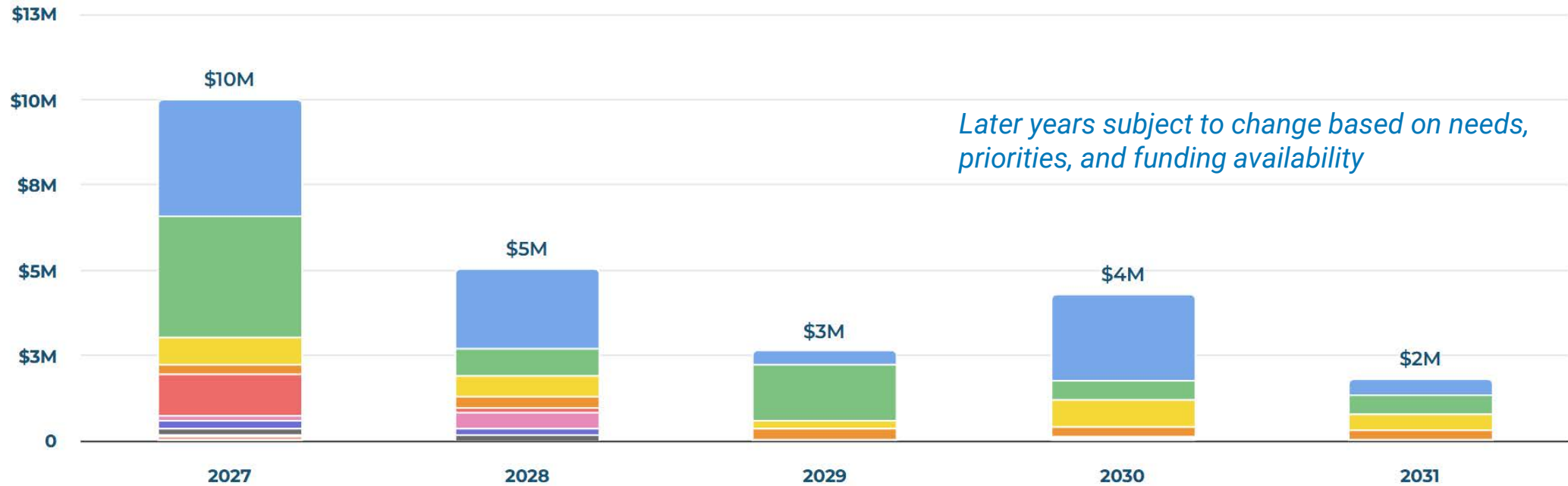
Total Funding Requested by Project Type



CIP Budget – Five-Year Plan



FY27 - FY31 Total Funding Requested by Source



Funding by Source Totals (all years)

● Measure A Street Improvement Fund	\$9,258,730	38.89%	● Local Grant (secured)	\$420,000	1.76%
● State Grant (secured)	\$7,059,900	29.66%	● Measure J Return to Source Fund	\$383,300	1.61%
● SBI-Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account	\$2,903,100	12.20%	● Donations	\$118,865	0.50%
● General Fund	\$1,540,000	6.47%	● Gas Tax Fund	\$50,000	0.21%
● Capital Improvement Fund	\$1,376,295	5.78%	● Integrated Waste Management Fund	\$50,000	0.21%
● Measure J Storm Drain Fund	\$600,000	2.52%	● Miscellaneous Revenue	\$44,400	0.19%

Proposed Budget Summary



- Reflects City Council priorities, including feedback during the budget development process
- Aligns with the City's Strategic Plan
- Has revenues exceeding expenditures for the operating budget
- Maintains reserves above a combined 29%, including 13% EDRF and 16% unassigned
- Enables the City to continue providing key services with some changes to programs



Next Steps

- Questions, Comments, Direction
- Finalize Digital Budget Book
- Staff to present final version at regular City Council Meeting on June 16, 2026
- Adoption of Budget by June 30, 2026
- THANK YOU to the City Council, City staff team, and El Cerrito community for all your hard work!



Thank you!

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