

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2020

FROM: FINANCE DEPARTMENT

WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2019/20 FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT AND MEASURE Z UPDATE, AND RELATED INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

ISSUES:

That the City Council receive and provide input on the attached Fiscal Year 2019/20 First Quarter Financial Report and Measure Z update; approve miscellaneous interfund transfers (\$2,368,736) and supplemental appropriations (\$7,500); and approve a \$4.4 million allocation of General Fund Surplus reserves to the Section 115 Pension Liability Trust.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- 1. Receive and provide input on the attached Fiscal Year 2019/20 First Quarter Financial Report and Measure Z update;
- 2. Approve General Fund interfund and interdepartmental transfers in the amount of \$2,368,736;
- 3. Approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,500 from the Special Deposits Fund to the General Fund; and
- 4. Approve the allocation of General Fund surplus reserves in the amount of \$4.4 million to the Section 115 Pension Liability Trust.

BACKGROUND:

On June 12, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23316 approving the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2020 Two-Year Budget. On June 18, 2019, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23457 approving amendments to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019/20 Budget.

DISCUSSION:

FINANCIAL REPORT

Throughout the fiscal year, City departments and the Budget Office monitor and analyze all City funds for potential issues that require attention and mitigating action. For the first quarter report, City departments analyzed financial status for all funds and appropriations under their purview. The results of the City's major funds as well as areas of concern in other funds (if any) are reported in the quarterly financial report.

General Fund

The General Fund's FY 2018-2020 Two-Year budget is balanced over two (2) years, with a projected shortfall of \$1.2 million in FY 2019/20 funded by savings realized in FY 2018/19. As of June 30, 2019, the General Fund carries a 20% reserve balance and \$4.4 million (1.6%) in surplus reserves. \$1.2 million is separately reserved to offset the adopted FY 2019/20 shortfall. \$4.9 million is reserved for Pension Stability and investment in the Section 115 Pension Trust. On January 16, 2020, the Budget Engagement Commission voted to recommend to the City Council that the surplus reserves of \$4.4 million be allocated to the Section 115 Pension Liability Trust.

The FY 2019/20 First Quarter analysis projects total General Fund revenues to come in as estimated. As of September 30, 2019, all General Fund departments, with the exception of the Police Department, expect to end the fiscal year within their appropriation limits. The Police Department is projecting a budget shortfall of approximately 7.6% (\$4.4 million) of the department's total budget. The overage is attributable to overtime trends due to an increase in significant criminal events. If no mitigating actions or offsetting savings are identified, the budget shortfall will reduce General Fund reserves by 1.6%.

Supplemental appropriations recorded in the first quarter total \$8,117 and are entirely related to donations received and appropriated by City Departments in compliance with the City's donation policy.

Measure Z

The FY 2018-2023 Measure Z Spending Plan was approved by the City Council on June 12, 2018, with the adoption of the FY 2018-2020 Two-Year Budget. Subsequent updates to the Spending Plan include the allocation of funding for the Public Safety and Engagement Team Program, security guards at City libraries, and increased allocations for street projects. As of June 30, 2019, Measure Z held \$18.7 million in unallocated fund reserves. Separately, \$5 million is held in reserves to ensure sufficient funding for ongoing costs in the event of under-performing revenues.

Measure Z's FY 2018/19 revenue outperformed expectations; however, the City's sales tax consultant projects a potential 2% to 3% decrease in revenue in FY 2019/20. At this time, no revenue adjustments for FY 2019/20 are recommended. Staff will continue to work with the City's consultant to track sales tax trends, economic factors, and actual revenues received, and may recommend adjustments in future quarterly reports.

Measure Z expenditures are 15% of total budget at September 30, 2019, reflective of large projects that have yet to ramp up and record significant expenditures, such as technology projects, the update of the General Plan, and street projects.

MEASURE Z SUMMARY					
Category	FY 2016/17 Actuals	FY 2017/18 Actuals	FY 2018/19 Actuals	FY 2019/20 Allocations	
Revenue	\$12,606,428	\$56,222,806	\$62,692,745	\$59,000,000	
Spending Allocations	9,973,447	36,134,811	61,702,430	62,360,436	
Carryovers			(20,714,281)	20,714,281	
Net Change in Fund Balance	2,632,981	20,087,995	21,704,596	(24,074,717)	
Fund Balance Reserve	-	-	5,000,000	-	
Fund Balance	\$2,632,981	\$22,720,976	\$39,425,572	\$15,350,855	

Sewer Fund

The overall financial position of the Sewer Enterprise fund is good and operating in accordance with the 2016 Sewer Fund Reserve Policy objectives. Revenue and expenditures are tracking in line with the Sewer Fund financial model and five-year plan projections. Staff projects total revenues will exceed expenditures by the end of FY 2019/20.

Refinancing of the 2009A Sewer Revenue Bonds bolstered the Sewer Fund's financial stability in FY 2018/19. The Public Works Wastewater Division is in the process of completing a Wastewater Treatment and Collection Master Plan Update project, which includes a comprehensive financial and cost of service analysis and evaluation of various rate structure alternatives for consideration. The outcome of this study will inform future rate discussions.

Refuse Fund

The Refuse Fund is operating at a deficit, as projected in the FY 2018-2020 Two-Year Budget. The most recent projections predict a \$4.1 million use of fund reserves in FY 2019/20 and ending fund reserves of \$4.2 million at fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Public Works has retained a consultant to perform a comprehensive review of refuse operations to optimize services and cash flow; the results of the study were presented to City Council in January 2020.

Refuse Fund revenue and expenditures are tracking at 23% and 19% respectively in the first quarter. Expenditures are artificially low in the first quarter due fluctuating expenditure requirements during the fiscal year, including debt and contract payments. The fund is expected to end the fiscal year in line with budget.

Revenue projections have been reduced by approximately \$800,000 as a result of lower than expected parking citations and curbside materials. Parking citations were temporarily suspended during a sign replacement project; revenue activity is expected to return to normal in the third quarter as signs are replaced and the routes are scheduled for enforcement. Curbside revenue represents revenue received in excess of the cost of recycling services. This residual revenue is no longer expected to be received due to a decline in market demand for recyclables. Projections for other revenues remain unchanged.

Electric Fund

The first quarter analysis of the Electric Fund shows operating revenues and expenses trending

on target. Overall, Electric revenues are trending at 28% of total budget at September 30, 2019 due to higher retail sales in the first quarter of the fiscal year and higher interest revenue as a result of rebalancing the investment portfolio. Weather can significantly impact retail revenues, which will be monitored throughout the remainder of FY 2019/20.

At September 30, 2019, Electric Fund expenditures, excluding capital projects, are trending slightly lower than 25% of the total budget. Capital projects are progressing consistently with the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The Electric Fund's completed capital improvements during the first three months of FY 2019/20 included projects in the Substation, Underground and Recurring categories which are part of the Utility 2.0 initiative. Completed projects in these categories benefit system reliability and mitigate the potential for widespread, prolonged customer outages, as well as fulfil the City's obligation to expand facilities to meet customer needs.

Water Fund

The first quarter analysis of the Water Fund shows operating revenues and expenses trending on target. Overall, Water revenues are trending at 29% of total budget at September 30, 2019, which is more than anticipated primarily due to higher interest revenue resulting from rebalancing the investment portfolio. Retail sales are typically higher during the summer months but are 3.6% lower than expected for the first quarter due to milder temperatures. Weather, including precipitation, can significantly impact retail revenues, which will be monitored throughout the remainder of FY 2019/20.

At September 30, 2019, Water Fund expenditures, excluding capital projects, are trending less than 25% of the total budget, primarily due to the timing of debt service payments. Capital projects are progressing consistently with the CIP and include:

- Installation of recycled water infrastructure which benefits all Water customers by freeing up water supply through making recycled water available for landscaping and irrigation needs.
- Installation of new mains which provides water to new customers and supports the City's development and growth.
- Pipeline and distribution facilities replacements along with well rehabilitations which help address aging infrastructure and improve system reliability to maintain a high level of service to Water customers.

Interfund and Interdepartmental Transfers; Supplemental Appropriation Requests

Riverside Municipal Code Sec. 1104 requires the affirmative vote of at least five City Council members to authorize the transfer of appropriations between City funds and to authorize supplemental appropriations. The following transfers and supplemental appropriations are recommended for Council approval:

- General Fund \$2,200,043 Interfund Transfer to the Debt Service Fund: As part of the General Fund restructuring to remove non-operating activity out of the General Fund, property tax revenue collected to pay the Fire and Emergency Facilities Bond (Measure G) will be recorded in the Debt Service fund. The fund reserves attributable to property taxes designated for bond payments must be transferred from the General Fund to the Debt Service Fund.
- General Fund \$7,500 Interfund Transfer and Supplemental Appropriation: A drawdown of \$7,500 in funds on hand is requested from Special Deposits Fund 720,

account 225087 (Debt Administration Fees) to cover staff training costs for the Debt & Treasury Administration Division. The training ensures that staff are up-to-date and able to ensure City compliance with requirements for debt disclosures, debt issuances, and other mandatory reporting.

- General Fund \$161,193 Interdepartmental Transfer: A Senior Performance Analyst position was transferred from the City Manager's Office to the Innovation & Technology department to assist with software licensing compliance and other needs corresponding to the position's job responsibilities.
- General Fund \$4.4 Million Supplemental Appropriation to Section 115 Pension Liability Trust: The Budget Engagement Commission recommends the appropriation of \$4.4 million in General Fund surplus reserves to the Section 115 Pension Liability Trust. The Chief Financial Officer concurs with this recommendation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City's General Fund is currently operating under an adopted FY 2018-2020 Two-Year Budget, balanced over two fiscal years. The fund reserve goal of 20% has been achieved as of June 30, 2019. Fund reserves of \$1.2 million are intact to balance the projected FY 2019/20 shortfall. The potential shortfall resulting from excess Police overtime costs could present a \$4.4 million draw on fund balance at fiscal year-end, in the absence of offsetting savings.

If approved by City Council, the allocation of \$4.4 million to the Section 115 Pension Liability Trust (Trust) will bring the Trust amount to approximately \$9.3 million. Amounts in the Trust are legally restricted for use to pay the City's pension obligations and can be used to offset growing pressure on the General Fund in future fiscal years as needed, and as approved by City Council.

The Enterprise Funds (Electric, Water, Refuse and Sewer) are all expected to remain within their appropriation limits. Planned operational analyses for both Refuse and Sewer will incorporate long-term financial outlooks for the respective funds.

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Approved by:	Carlie Myers, Deputy City Manager
Approved as to form:	Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments:

- 1. Quarterly Financial Report
- 2. Measure Z Financial Summary
- 3. Presentation

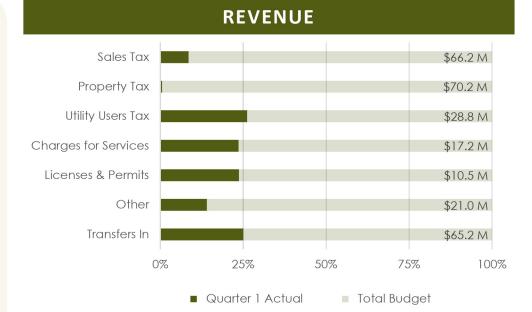
GENERAL FUND

The General Fund is used to account for the **core administrative and operational functions of the City.** The General Fund is primarily supported by property and sales tax, followed by other incoming resources including other taxes, fees, service revenue, and transfers in from other funds. These resources fund public safety, development, culture, recreation, and supporting administrative services.

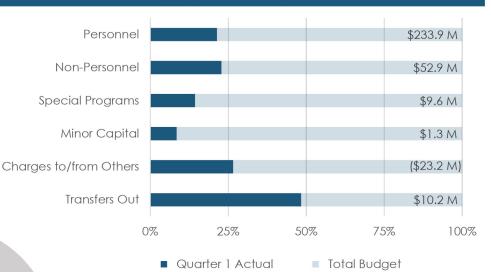
Quarter 1 Summary

At the end of the first fiscal quarter, 14% of projected revenues have been collected; this is consistent with the historical timing of revenues, which do not come in regularly throughout the year.

Expenditures are 22% of total budget at the end of the first quarter. Apart from the Police Department, City departments reported no areas of concern and expect to remain within their appropriation limits this fiscal year. The Police Department reports a \$4.4 potential million overage in overtime costs due to significant crime events. If no mitigating actions or offsettina savings are identified, the budget shortfall will reduce General Fund reserves by 1.6%.



EXPENDITURES



General Fund Reserves



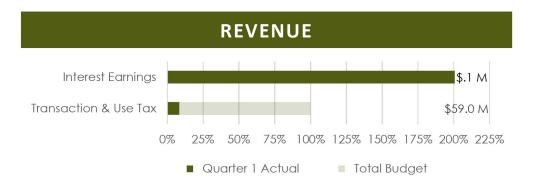
General Fund Emergency (15%) Economic Contingency Reserves (5%) \$4.9 Stability Reserve

\$4.4 Million



MEASURE Z

Measure Z is a one-cent transaction and use tax approved by Riverside voters in November 2016. Measure Z was passed to **restore critical services** eliminated during the recession and **address other critical needs**, such as first responder staffing and vehicles, road and tree maintenance, and building repair and maintenance. A separate fund and Measure Z Spending Plan is maintained to provide accountability and transparency into the use of Measure Z revenue.



EXPENDITURES

Financial Discipline \$3.7 M Critical Operating Needs \$24.7 M Public Safety \$21.7 M Quality of Life \$18.7 M Facility Capital Needs \$8.8 M Technology \$5.5 M 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% Quarter 1 Actual Total Budget

Quarter 1 Summary

Transaction & Use Tax is performing better than expected in the first quarter, at 9% higher than the same period in the prior year. Interest revenues reflect the high amount of cash on hand for pending projects.

Expenditures are 15% of total budget at the end of the first quarter. Project expenditures are not spent evenly throughout the fiscal year; this can be observed in the Quality of Life and Technology categories. Not reflected in the Spending Plan is the use of debt proceeds for the new Main Library: \$3.4 million was expended in the first quarter. The Spending Plan reports the debt obligations for Library construction.

\$15.4 Million

Amount available for allocation to new spending initiatives as of September 30, 2019

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Budget Engagement Commission Meetings February 13, 5PM – Council Chambers March 12, 5PM – Council Chambers



Reserve to ensure available funding of ongoing costs in the event of underperforming revenues.

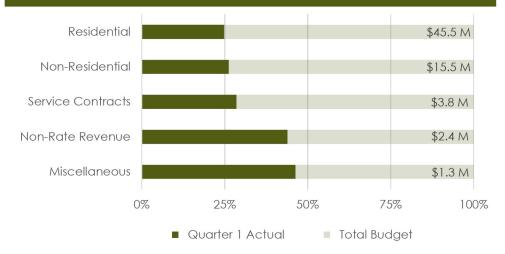
SEWER FUND

The Sewer Fund reports financial activity related to the collection and treatment of wastewater generated within the City and the communities of Edgemont, Highgrove, Jurupa, and Rubidoux. The City serves 93,000 customers within City limits alone. Services are provided through 800 miles of gravity lines, lift stations and the Riverside Regional Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP) that has the capacity to treat 46 million gallons of sewage a day.

Quarter 1 Summary

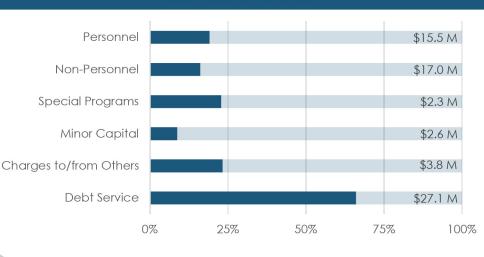
At the end of the first fiscal quarter, 26% of projected revenues have been collected. Connection fees are higher than expected due to new development in the City. In the Miscellaneous cateaory, favorable market conditions are contributing to interest revenues coming in higher than projected.

Operating expenditures are 37% of total budget at quarter end due to the timing of required debt payments. Overall, expenditures are expected to fall in line with budget by the end of the fiscal year.



EXPENDITURES

REVENUE



Quarter 1 Actual

Total Budget

Wastewater Master Plan



Regulatory Compliance

Rate Plan Capital Improvement Plan

Utility Services/Land Use/Energy Development Committee



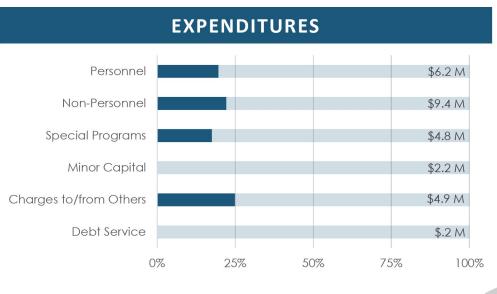
March 9, 1PM-Council Chambers

REFUSE FUND

The Refuse Fund tracks financial activity related to solid waste services including **trash**, **recyclables**, **and green waste collection**. The City provides services directly to two-thirds of Riverside's residents, while a contracted hauler provides services to the remaining one-third. Commercial services are entirely contracted out. Currently, refuse rates are insufficient to cover the costs of operations; rising costs associated with State compliance requirements are also placing pressure on the Refuse Fund.



Quarter 1 Actual Total Budget



Quarter 1 Actual Total Budget

Quarter 1 Summary

Revenues 23% at are quarter end. Street Sweeping fines were temporarily suspended due to a sign replacement program; this revenue projection will be reduced by \$668,000. Additionally, curbside material revenue projections of \$135,000 will be eliminated due to recent changes in the recycling industry.

Expenditures are trending at 19% at the end of the first quarter. Minor capital and debt expenditures do not occur evenly throughout the year, resulting in the current lag in spending.

Strategy & Economic Study

Summary of major findings presented to City Council in January 2020



Additional **resources** needed to operate to industry standards



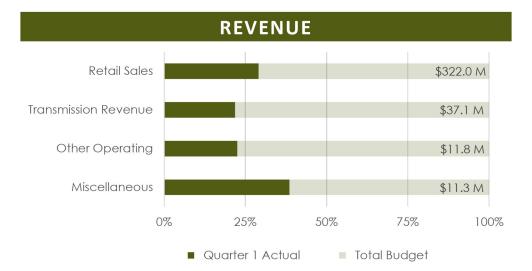
Residential **rates** are not covering the cost of operations



Adjustments needed to meet regulatory **compliance**

ELECTRIC FUND

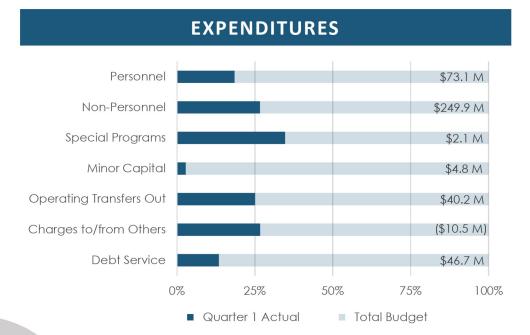
The Electric Fund reports financial activity related to the **generation**, **transmission**, **and distribution of electricity** over a 90-square-mile territory to more than 109,000 metered electric customers. Charges for service through rates are the primary source of funding for electric operations and the capital improvement program. More than one-half of the Electric Fund's costs go toward the purchase of power.



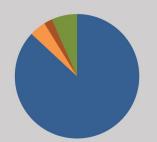
Quarter 1 Summary

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Operating expenditures are 23% of total budget at the end of the first quarter. Minor capital expenditures will vary throughout the year but are expected to come in as budgeted.



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Electric Capital

Projects

- Bond ProceedsReserves
- Rates
- Contributions in Aid

Completed in Quarter 1

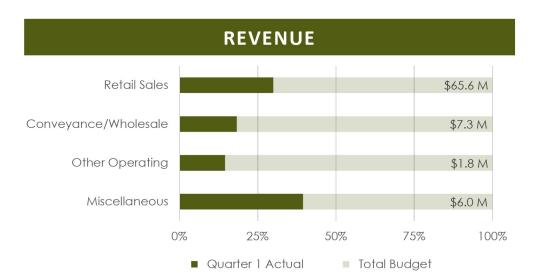
Substation Underground Recurring Maintenance & Repairs

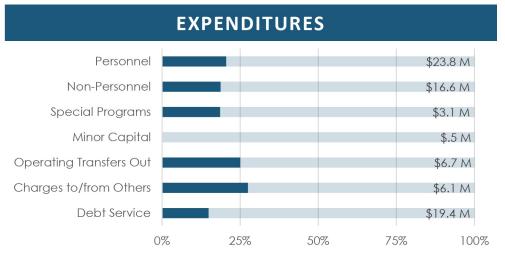


Capital Project Spending in Quarter 1

WATER FUND

The Water Fund reports financial activity related to the delivery of water to more than 65,000 metered water customers over 74.2 square-mile territory that covers the majority of the City of Riverside. 100% of Riverside's water comes from groundwater basins fed by rain and snow falling in the San Bernardino Mountains and local foothills. Charges for service through rates are the primary source of funding for operations and the capital improvement program.





Quarter 1 Actual
 Total Budget

Quarter 1 Summary

Water revenues are trending at 29% of total budget at September 30, 2019, which is more than anticipated primarily due to higher interest revenue due to rebalancing the investment portfolio. Retail sales are typically higher during the summer months but are 3.6% lower than expected for the first quarter due to milder temperatures.

Operating expenditures are 20% of total budget at the end of the first quarter, primarily because debt payments and other spending does not occur evenly throughout the year. Overall, expenditures are expected to correspond with the total budgeted at the end of the fiscal year.

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Water Capital Projects

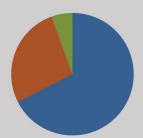


Capital Project Spending in Quarter 1 625

281

Meter Replacements

Service Lateral Replacements Bond Proceeds
Rates
Contributions in Aid



Measure Z FY 2019/20 Quarter 1 Financial Update				
Spending Item	Category	Total Budget	FY 2019/20 Expenditures	
Financial Discipline/ Responsibility				
2 Payoff of the Balloon \$32 million Pension Obligation Bond	Financial Discipline	1,674,490	418,622	
4 Measure Z Spending Contingency	Financial Discipline	2,000,000	-	
Total Financial Discipline/ Responsibility		3,674,490	418,622	
Public Safety				
5 Additional Sworn Police Positions	Public Safety	8,068,849	1,431,788	
6 Public Safety Non-Sworn Positions and Recruitment Costs	Public Safety	1,148,157	177,911	
7 Police Officer Lateral Hire Incentives and Recruitment Costs	Public Safety	658,671	9,994	

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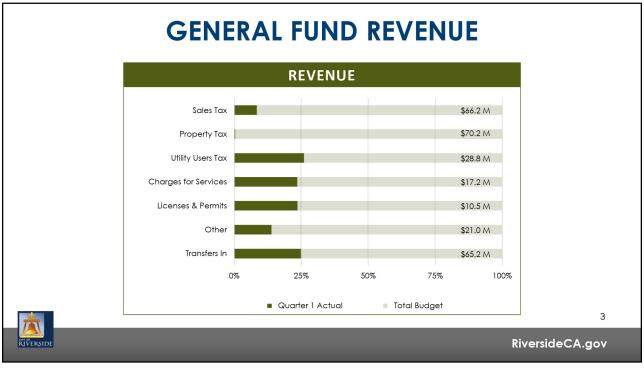
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6	Public Safety Non-Sworn Positions and Recruitment Costs	Public Safety	1,148,157	177,911
7	Police Officer Lateral Hire Incentives and Recruitment Costs	Public Safety	658,671	9,994
8	Additional Dispatchers	Public Safety	644,859	116,352
9	Reinstatement of Fire Squad	Public Safety	942,565	276,088
10	Reinstatement of Captains (Training and Arson)	Public Safety	585,486	120,967
11	Reinstatement of Battalion Chief	Public Safety	416,296	84,577
12	Revised PD Vehicle Replacement and Maintenance Plan	Public Safety	2,509,151	498,731
14	Revised Fire Vehicle Replacement and Maintenance Plan	Public Safety	3,712,952	1,925,659
16	Additional Fleet Mechanics for Police Department (2)	Public Safety	218,153	34,403
17	Additional Fleet Mechanics for Fire Department (2)	Public Safety	228,155	48,788
34	4-Person Staffing on Fire Trucks	Public Safety	1,069,497	348,272
35	Fire Equipment and One-Time Operating Needs	Public Safety	189,527	64,019
36	Contingency - Fire Radios	Public Safety	568,231	-
38	Arlington Youth Innovation Center Furniture, Fixtures & Equip.	Public Safety	600,000	2,456
37	Recreation - Summer Pools	Public Safety	50,000	12,500
40	Library Security Guards	Public Safety	122,000	-
Tota	I Public Safety		21,732,549	5,152,504
Criti	cal Operating Needs			
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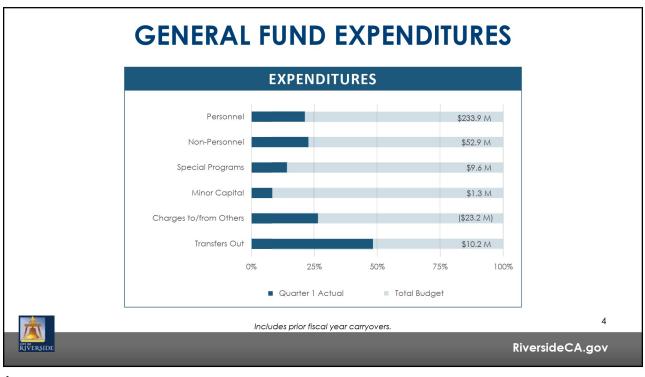
18 Funding Gap - Existing Services	Critical Operating Needs	18,266,026	4,566,506
19 General Plan Update	Critical Operating Needs	4,966,581	7,050
20 Homeless Services	Critical Operating Needs	1,306,606	126,902
21 Principal Analyst - City Manager's Office	Critical Operating Needs	161,100	34,820
22 Budget Engagement Commission Support	Critical Operating Needs	27,000	2,346
Total Critical Operating Needs		24,727,313	4,737,624
Facility Capital Needs			
23 New Downtown Main Library and Archives	Facility Capital Needs	4,840,735	1,279,875
24 Eastside Library Site Selection	Facility Capital Needs	100,000	-
25 New Police Headquarters	Facility Capital Needs	2,132,000	533,000
26 Museum Expansion and Rehab	Facility Capital Needs	99,220	23,995
28 Annual Deferred Maintenance	Facility Capital Needs	1,651,736	282,957
Total Facility Capital Needs		8,823,691	2,119,827
Quality of Life			
29 Maximize Roads/Streets (Pavement Condition Index)	Quality of Life	12,789,674	2,924
30 Tree Trimming	Quality of Life	2,018,534	975
31 Ward Action Team - City Attorney's Office	Quality of Life	282,065	65,240
32 Ward Action Team - City Manager's Office	Quality of Life	142,883	3,480
39 Public Safety and Engagement Team (PSET)	Quality of Life	3,429,435	104,815
Total Quality of Life		18,662,591	177,434
Technology			
33 Technology Improvements	Technology	5,454,083	187,802
Total Technology		5,454,083	187.802

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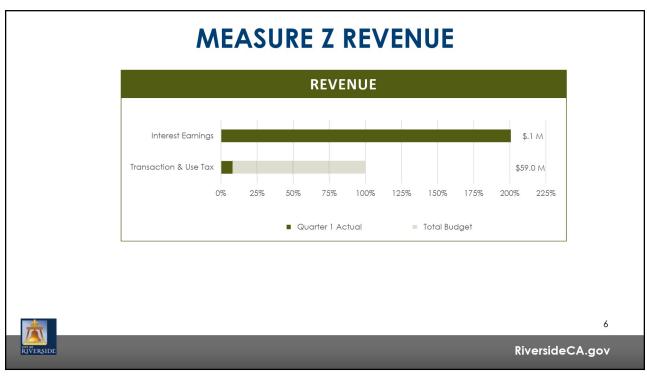


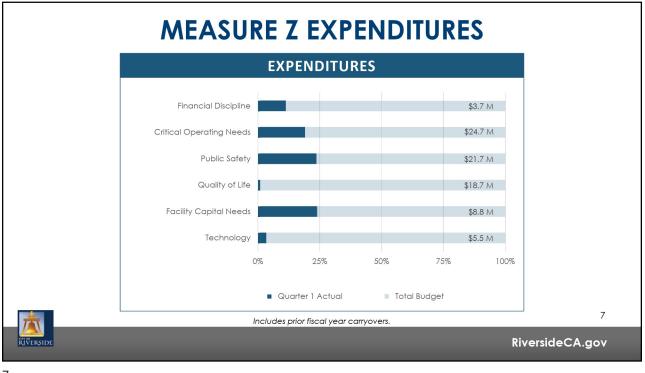
FY 2019/20 Adopted Budg	get	Ouerter 1 Highlight
Revenue & Transfers In	\$279,136,415	Quarter 1 Highlights
Expenditures & Transfers Out	280,372,427	
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(1,236,012)	Revenues 14%
General Fund Reserves (in millions)		Expenditures 23%
Emergency Reserves (15%)	\$42.0 M	
Economic Contingency Reserves (5%		Watch Item
Budgeted Use of Reserves	1.2 M	
Pension Stabilization Reserves	4.9 M	Police Department
Surplus Reserves*	4.4 M	Potential \$4.4 M excess





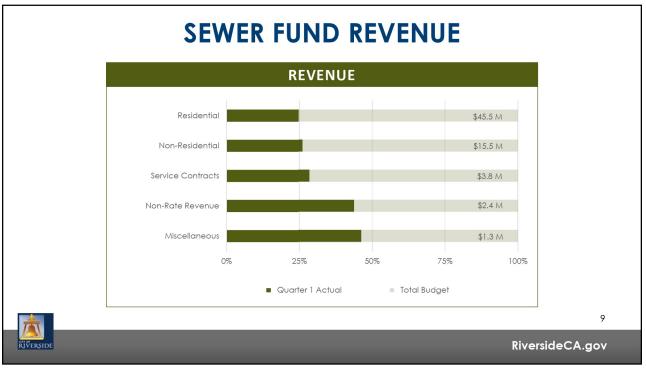
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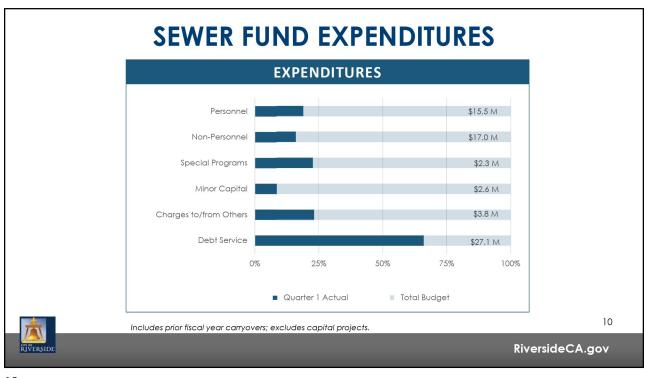




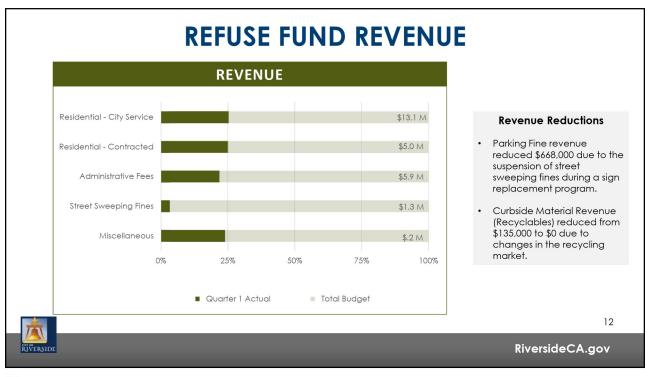
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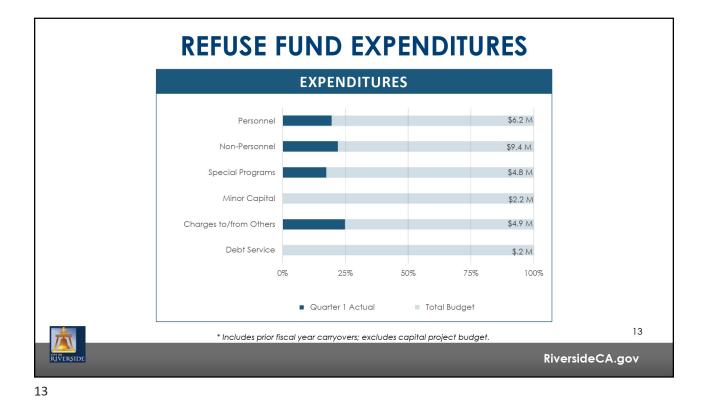
FY 2019/20 Adopted B	udget _	Quarter 1 Highlights
Revenue & Transfers In	\$68,439,438	
Expenditures & Transfers Out	64,989,311	Revenues 26%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$3,450,127	
		Expenditures 37%
Fund Reserves		
Beginning Balance	\$99,455,823	
Estimated Revenues	68,439,438	Expenditures occur unevenly
Budgeted Expenditures*	99,313,151	throughout the year.
Estimated Ending Reserves	\$68,582,109	



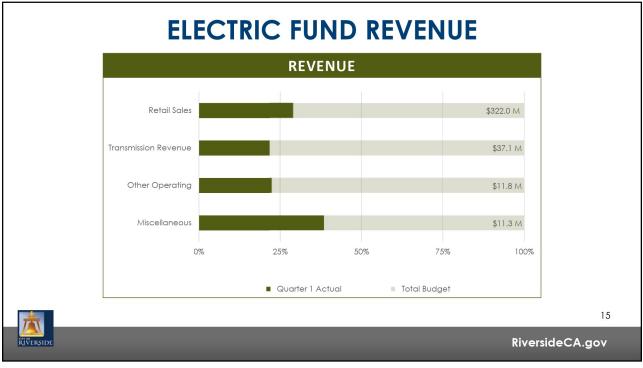


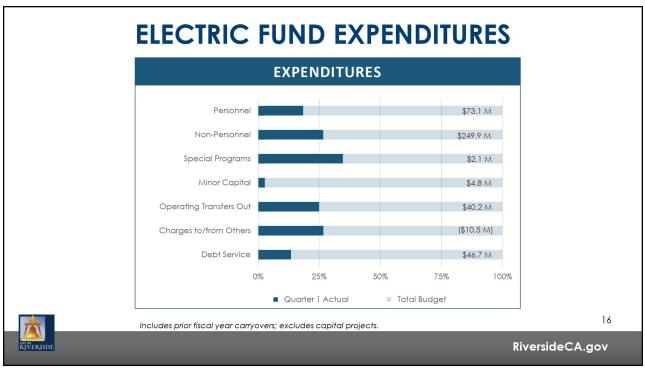
FY 2019/20 Adopted B	udget	Quarter 1 Highlights
Revenue & Transfers In	\$25,441,965	
Expenditures & Transfers Out	26,815,371	Revenues 23%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(1,373,406)	
		Expenditures 19%
Fund Reserves		
Beginning Balance	\$8,326,106	Revenue
Estimated Revenues*	24,638,821	Reduced
Budgeted Expenditures*	28,772,255	
Estimated Ending Reserves	\$4,192,672	
		Expenditures occur unevenly throughout the year.

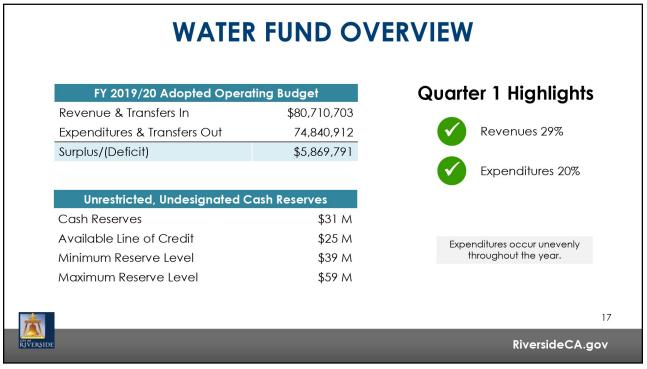


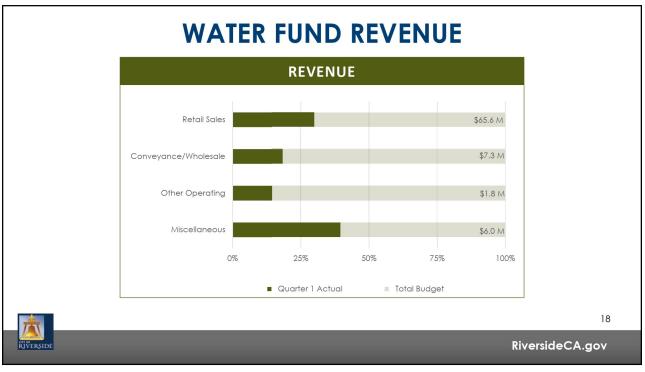


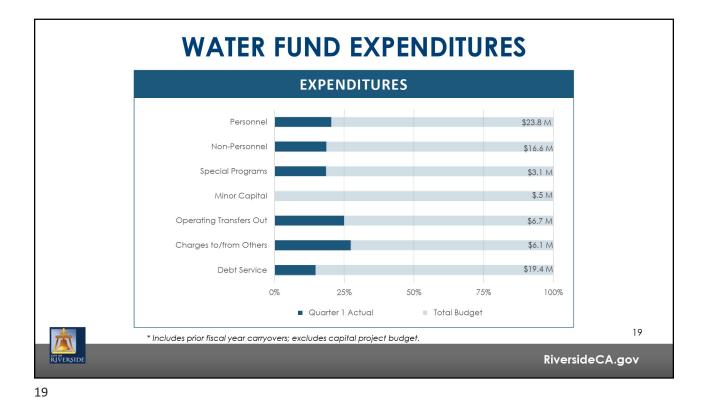
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FY 2019/20 Adopted Opera	ting Budget	Quarter 1 Highlights
Revenue & Transfers In	\$382,074,694	
Expenditures & Transfers Out	404,034,819	Revenues 28%
Surplus/(Deficit)*	\$(21,960,125)	
		Expenditures 23%
Unrestricted, Undesignated C	ash Reserves	
Cash Reserves	\$185 M	
Available Line of Credit	\$35 M	Expenditures occur unevenly
Minimum Reserve Level	\$131 M	throughout the year.
Maximum Reserve Level	\$209 M	
*Strategic drawdown of cash reserves.		14
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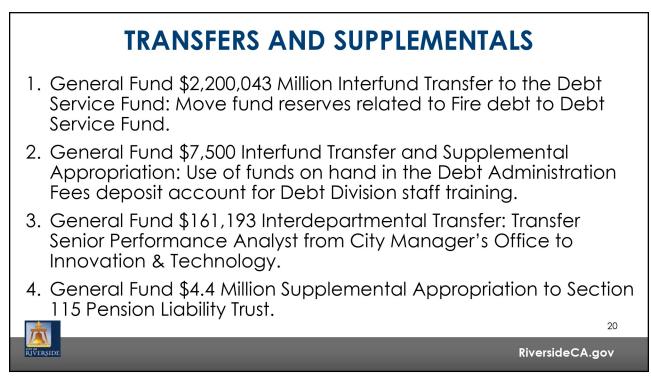


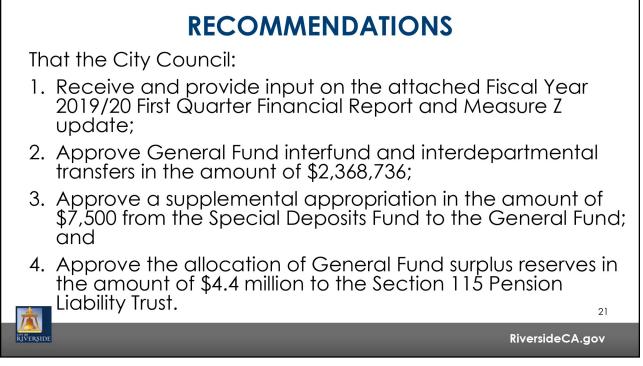














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