When the City embarked on the FY 2016-2018 Biennial Budget, we outlined key themes for the next five years and made financial and operational promises to the Riverside community. Staff is committed to building on the financial successes of FY 2016-2018 by preserving services and improving efficiencies to ensure the City’s continued financial success and achievement of its Riverside 2.1 strategic initiatives.

**KEY BUDGET THEMES**

- **STRONG FINANCIAL FOUNDATION**
  - Two-Year Budget and Five-Year Plan
  - Structurally Balanced FY 2016-2018 Budget
  - Measure Z
  - Budget Engagement Commission
- General obligation bond rating increased from A+ to AA– by S&P
- General Fund reserve at over 20%
- Maintaining Essential Services and Infrastructure
- Financial Accuracy
- Financial Responsibility & Discipline
- Transparent & Participatory Process

**FY 2018-2023 FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN**

- with key challenges and solutions identified and linked to Riverside 2.1 Strategic Plan and Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan

**FY 2018-2020 TWO-YEAR BUDGET**

- **YEAR 1** FY 18-19
  - Focus on detailed budget development for two-years with five-year financial forecasts. Incorporate Riverside 2.1.
- **YEAR 2** FY 19-20
  - Mid-Cycle review to incorporate updates to Riverside 2.1 and refinements to Five-Year Financial Plan.

**YEAR 3** FY 20-21

**YEAR 4** FY 21-22

**YEAR 5** FY 22-23

Updated Annually

- **Financial decisions** are made in the context of the Five-Year Financial Plan.
- **Comprehensive vetting** by Budget Engagement Commission, applicable citywide Board and Commissions, City Council and the Riverside Community.
- Revenue, expenditure, debt and investment **reviews are conducted quarterly**.
GROWTH TREND OF PRIMARY REVENUE SOURCES

The City anticipates that the General Fund annualized revenue growth rate for the primary revenue sources will continue to slow down in FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 following similar trends set in previous fiscal years.

BASELINE ASSUMPTIONS

FY 18-19 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

- **Personnel**: Represents more than 80% of General Fund Budget. CalPERS is the largest cost driver.
- **Non-Personnel**: Decreased significantly due to cost-saving efforts and sound fiscal management.

Charges and Transfers: -$32.29M

Total: $272.09M
The City’s CalPERS costs are comprised of two factors – Normal Cost and Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL). Normal Cost is an estimated percentage of salary based on the employee pool (age, salary, investment returns, etc.). Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) is based on calculations provided by CalPERS that considers the difference between the City’s retirement plan assets and the amount needed to pay a pension to employees in the future.

**CITYWIDE CalPERS COST OVERVIEW**
Over the next five years, retirement expenditures are expected to increase by 45.5% from $74.5 million to $108.3 million in all major funds (General, Electric, Water and Sewer).

**GENERAL FUND CalPERS COST OVERVIEW**
General Fund CalPERS costs are expected to increase more than $22 million or 46%.

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**WHAT ARE RESERVES FOR?**
Funding that has not been restricted or designated is available to pay bills and provide a cushion in the event of an emergency. This unrestricted, undesignated funding is typically referred to as “reserves.”

- **September 6, 2016 adoption of General Fund Reserve Policy**
  - 15% minimum reserve level
  - 20% targeted reserve level

**If we do nothing:**
- FY 18-19 & FY 19-20 will maintain reserve levels at the minimum (15%)
- Without permanent and ongoing balancing measures, General Fund Reserves will be fully depleted in FY 22-23

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**FY 18-20 BALANCING MEASURES**
Focus on:
- Revenue enhancements
- Non-personnel measures (contracts, subsidies, other discretionary)

**Align Budget Priorities with City Council Strategic Priorities**
- Public safety
- Infrastructure
- Customer service

**Minimize Service Impacts**

**KEY BALANCING MEASURES**
- **Revenue Enhancements**
  - Refunding of old redevelopment debt
  - Fire aid agreement
  - Sale of City-owned IP addresses

- **Expenditure Reductions**
  - Renegotiate/consolidate vendor agreements
  - Consolidate duties to reduce positions

- **Eliminate vacancies**
- **Share equipment and resources between departments to reduce costs**
MEASURE Z 5-YEAR SPENDING PLAN

Measure Z took effect April 1, 2017, and is anticipated to help restore many critical services eliminated in June 2016, and enhance other critical unfunded needs. By increasing the City’s sales tax rate from 7.75% to 8.75%, Measure Z is estimated to generate over $50 million in revenue in FY 17-18 with 1% annual increases assumed for the next five years.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**
$68,497,813
- Sworn Staff
- Non-Sworn Staff
- New Vehicles

**CRITICAL OPERATING NEEDS**
$56,034,250
- General Fund Shortfall
- Homeless Services
- General Plan Update

**TECHNOLOGY**
$8,000,000
- Specific Projects Based on Needs Assessment

**FISCAL DISCIPLINE / RESPONSIBILITY**
$39,603,200
- 20% General Fund Reserve
- Payoff Pension Bond
- Workers Compensation/General Liability Reserves

**QUALITY OF LIFE**
$17,237,199
- Streets
- Tree Trimming
- Ward Action Team
- Sidewalks

**FACILITY CAPITAL NEEDS**
$29,933,882
- New Main Library
- New Police Headquarters
- Deferred Maintenance on Existing Facilities
- Museum Expansion and Rehab
- Downtown Parking Garage
- Eastside Library Site Selection

**BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS**
- Baseline Budget Presented to City Council
  Mid-January
- Budget Engagement Commission Discussion
  Third Week of January
- Community Budget Workshops Across All Wards
  February
- Electric, Water and Sewer 5-Year Plans to BEC
  March
- Proposed Biennial Budget Presented to City Council
  May
- Final Budget Submitted to City Council
  June
- Adopted for New Fiscal Year
  July

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