City of Birmingham, Michigan Five-year Financial Forecast

Years Ending June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2026

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Introduction

Every year, the Finance Department prepares a five-year forecast for the City Commission Long-Range Planning meeting. The forecast consists of financial data for the General Fund, Major and Local Street Funds, and the Water and Sewer Funds. These funds have been selected for the forecast because they drive many of the financial decisions for the City and have a significant impact on the residents. The forecast consists of actual financial data from the previous four fiscal years, projections for the current fiscal year, and projected financial data for the next four future fiscal years.

The forecast is prepared in order to assist the City Commission visualize the City's projected financial condition given certain assumptions and aid in the discussion of initiatives or projects that the City Commission may want to consider in the future. The results of the analysis should be considered within the appropriate context. Essentially, the financial results for future fiscal years should be viewed only as financial estimates derived from the best available information at this particular point in time. Considered in this light, the financial plan provides a benchmark from which to monitor and evaluate ongoing financial trends and results. The amounts and timing of future capital projects, as disclosed in this forecast, are sensitive estimates, and changes in these estimates could have a significant impact on the forecasted fund balances in the General Fund, Major Streets Fund, Local Streets Fund, and Water and Sewer Funds.

For the purpose of the General Fund and Major and Local Street Funds, the level of projected fund balance is typically used as the barometer to measure likely future financial strength. In general, a level fund balance indicates a stable financial condition. A decreasing or negative fund balance indicates a financial situation that the City will have to monitor closely in the coming years; it does not indicate that an actual fund deficit will occur.

Summary

The financial forecast that has been presented this year shows continued improvement in the City's financial outlook. After a low point in revenue was reached in 2011-2012, the City has seen revenue growth in eight of the nine years (fiscal year 2019-2020 being the exception due to COVID). This is expected to continue in the future, with the increases led by property tax revenue.

On the expenditure side, total costs are impacted significantly by the amount of planned capital projects, as well as the cost of personnel services. The forecast shows that the resources available to the City will be sufficient to fund the projects that are currently planned to be undertaken.

The City's General Fund balance policy is that unassigned fund balance is to be maintained at an amount no less than 2 months, or 17 percent, of General Fund operating expenditures and no more than the equivalent of 40 percent of General Fund operating expenditures. The General Fund's unassigned fund balance is currently within the City Commission's range and is forecasted to remain within the range for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025. The General Fund's unassigned fund balance is forecasted to be above the range for the year ending June 30, 2026.

General Assumptions and Information

- Historical data for fiscal years 2017-2018 through 2020-2021 has been compiled from the City's audit financial reports.
- Assumptions are based on the most recent and best information known at the time of completion of this forecast, which was December 31, 2021. Because these projected results are based on estimates and assumptions, actual results will likely differ from what is projected.
- The assumptions presented are significant assumptions and are not all inclusive.
- Estimates for fiscal years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026 were developed based on the City's current budget or an up-to-date estimate for the current year and adjusted for inflation to determine future results. Nonrecurring capital outlay purchases and significant encumbrance rollovers from 2020-2021 have been excluded from future projections. Significant exceptions to this method are noted in the specific assumptions on the following pages.
- Annual inflation factors of 1.5 percent for revenue throughout the financial forecast and 4
 percent for expenditures for fiscal year 2022-2023, 3 percent for fiscal year 2023-2024,
 and 2 percent for fiscal years 2024-2025 through 2025-2026 were utilized.
- Data has been collected and financial estimates have been developed utilizing a number of expert sources, including the City finance director and department heads, State of Michigan departments, and other professional sources.

Basis of Accounting

Data has been presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is the basis of accounting used in preparing the annual budget. Revenue is recognized when it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within 60 days. Disbursements for nonfinancial assets (capital outlay) are recorded as expenditures. Expenditures are recognized when a liability is incurred; however, expenditures for debt service principal and interest, compensated absences, and claims and judgements are recorded only when the payment is due. The Water and Sewer Funds have been presented using a basis of accounting that is different than the basis of accounting used in the City's historical financial statements. The Water and Sewer Funds have been presented in a manner to assist the City in forecasting the net cost of services throughout the forecasted period to coincide with the City's rate-making methodology. The Water and Sewer Funds also include depreciation expense, consistent with the City's rate-making methodology.

Description of Infrastructure Needs

Overview of Projected Infrastructure Costs

The Department of Engineering has provided estimated costs for street improvements along with associated water and sewer improvement costs for the period of 2022-2026. The following is a summary of estimated infrastructure improvement costs by fiscal year, not including 2021-2022 projects either in-progress or completed as of December 31, 2021:

FISCAL YEAR	MAJOR STREETS	LOCAL STREETS	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL
2021-2022	\$2,616,000	\$2,525,000	\$1,825,000	\$2,249,000	\$9,215,000
2022-2023	\$3,850,000	\$2,100,000	\$1,624,000	\$1,495,000	\$9,069,000
2023-2024	\$2,850,000	\$2,875,000	\$2,550,000	\$2,145,000	\$10,420,000
2024-2025	\$1,425,000	\$3,125,000	\$2,550,000	\$2,500,000	\$9,600,000
2025-2026	\$3,985,000	\$3,275,000	\$2,650,000	\$2,100,000	\$12,010,000

Streets

The Department of Engineering believes that the level of spending shown above is needed to allow the City to maintain its investment in streets. Failure to maintain streets at this level could result in streets deteriorating faster than the City can replace them in the future. Individual planned street projects are listed in the Major and Local Street Funds section.

Sewage Disposal System

In 2011, the City Commission endorsed a backyard sewer and water master plan. The goal of the plan was to abandon or rehabilitate most public sewers and water mains located in backyards by 2019. While progress has been made on this plan, there remains additional work to be done. The key components of this plan included:

- Address all back-yard facilities to greatly reduce the chance of unexpected failures and emergency work as well as the private property damages that go along with such events
- Provide additional sewer capacity to the system in general in these neighborhoods where deficiencies currently exist
- Replace or rehabilitate permanent pavements and water mains in the study area that are also in need of work
- Divert storm water flows away from the combined sewer system for significant acreage in the Evergreen-Farmington District in order to reduce sewage treatment and retention basin maintenance costs

In 2021, there were six blocks of backyard sewers lined. This leaves approximately three blocks to be completed. The remaining blocks will be completed upon the acquisition of easements.

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Water Distribution System

On-going improvements to the water system are planned in conjunction with street renovation projects subject to City Commission approval. Additionally, approximately 740 lead service lines are required to be replaced by Michigan law. The City is required to replace at least 7% of the service lines annually. The City participated with SOCWA (Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority) to solicit bids from contracts to complete replacements. There are approximately 439 lead service lines that still need to be replaced. The City is anticipating that the remaining lead service lines will be replaced during 2021-2022, 2022-2023 and 2023-2024, with 375-400 of those lines being replaced using the American Rescue Plan Act funding.

Other Current and Future Projects

Birmingham Triangle District Corridor Improvement Authority

The City Commission created a Corridor Improvement Authority in November 2008 to address infrastructure needs within the district using tax incremental financing (TIF). The Authority approved a development plan whereby tax incremental financing would be used to develop public parking within the district. The initial focus will likely include a surface parking lot. It is anticipated that funding for the surface parking lot will be provided by a bond issue which will be repaid through tax increment financing, special assessment and user fees. At present, the City is seeking an agreement with Oakland County on a development plan in order to maximize the potential tax increment financing dollars which would be used to support the bond debt. Once an agreement is in place, tax incremental financing will commence and revenue from captured taxes will begin. It is unknown at this time when this will occur, therefore, the forecast does not reflect any tax capture for the Authority.

Streetlights

New streetlights are proposed in conjunction with planned downtown renewal projects. The estimated costs are as follows:

S. Old Woodward Ave. – Brown St. to Landon St.

\$525,000 in fiscal year 2022-2023

Alleys and Sidewalks

In 2022-2023, sidewalk and streetscape improvements are planned on S. Old Woodward Ave. – Brown St. to Landon St. at an estimated cost of \$2,470,000. A majority of this cost will be special assessed back to the property owners. Other sidewalks will be replaced as needed as part of the annual sidewalk replacement program.

In addition, the following alleys are projected to be completed: Pierce Street alley in 2022-2023 for \$400,000 and West Maple Road alley in 2023-2024 for \$365,000.

Ice Arena

The ice arena underwent renovations starting in the spring of 2021 and was completed in the fall of 2021. The renovations included replacing the ice arena's refrigerant equipment, replacing the refrigerant lines under the main rink, and expansion and renovations of the locker rooms. This was funded by a transfer from the General Fund of \$2 million and approximately \$3.8 million in park and recreation bond funds.

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Park and Recreation Bond

In November 2020, the residents approved a park bond of \$11,250,000 to be split into two (2) phases. Phase I, in the amount of \$4,750,000, was issued in 2021 and includes improvements at Adams Park; Booth Park; the Ice Arena; playgrounds at Springdale, Crestview and Howarth Parks; a new pickleball court; and trail improvements. Phase II, beginning in fiscal year 2023-2024, in the amount of \$6,500,000 will cover playgrounds at the Lincoln Well & Pumphouse site, Linden, Pembroke and St. James Parks; a new splash pad, Poppleton Park playground with drainage improvements; and improvements at Kenning Park including playground, Fields 1 & 4, and a new walking path.

General Fund Assumptions

COVID-19

The City has and still is experiencing an extraordinary event with the COVID-19 worldwide pandemic. This event has thrown all "normal" models and projections into even more uncertainty. This forecast generally assumes that the effects of the pandemic will continue until the end of the 2021-2022 fiscal year and start to evolve to our new norms in the following years.

The impact of the pandemic on the General Fund in fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 has been to the following areas: parks and recreation (including ice arena operations), 48th District Court operations, and parking enforcement. The pandemic has also caused delays in some projects as the availability of contractors during the pandemic has been limited.

The long-term effect of the pandemic is uncertain at this time. Factors such as high unemployment, the housing market, interest rates, inflationary rates, and office and retail occupancy rates are all risks that will affect the City in future years. Fortunately, the City is in very good financial condition with healthy reserves to mitigate these risks.

Revenue

Property Taxes

Appendix A illustrates the process used to estimate property tax revenues. Economic indicators show continued growth in the housing market which will affect SEV and TV growth. The 2021-2022 taxable value for the City increased by 4.7 percent. The forecast assumes an annual increase in taxable value starting at 5.8 percent for 2022-2023 and 5.0 percent annually afterwards.

Key assumptions on a line-by-line basis, beginning at the top of Appendix A, are provided in Appendix B.

The property taxes from the general operating levy in the General Fund exclude levies for the George W. Kuhn Drain and water capital improvements.

Building Permits

New house permits, renovations and additions show a slight improvement from 2021-2022 and increase slightly each year under the forecast.

Federal Grant Revenue – COVID Related

The City has received several grants from different agencies. It is anticipated that the City will receive additional grant funding in fiscal year 2021-2022.

Other Intergovernmental Revenue

In fiscal years 2017-2018 through 2020-2021 the City received surplus cable funds

from the Cable Board. No revenue is projected in future years, as these distributions are at the discretion of the Cable Board.

Ice Arena Fees

For fiscal year 2021-2022, ice arena fees decreased as the season was started in November, missing the normal opening month of September. It is projected that revenues will surpass past revenues due to the fact the season should be extended with the new ice arena.

48th District Court Revenue

48th District Court revenue is anticipated to decrease in 2022-2023 as a result of the City opting out of being a funding unit effective December 31, 2022.

Parking Ticket Revenue

Parking ticket revenue is expected to be near historic levels for the entire forecast.

Interest and Rent

The forecast assumes investment return of 1 percent for 2022-2023 with a slight improvement to 1.75 percent in 2025-2026. For periods 2017-2018 through 2020-2021, the fluctuations in the investment income was the result of low interest rates and unrealized market gains (2018-2019 through 2019-2020) and losses (2017-2018 and 2020-2021). The increase in other interest earnings relates to special assessments on the Old Woodward and Maple road projects.

Other Revenue

The increase in revenue is due to special assessment collections from the Old Woodward, Maple Road, and S. Old Woodward projects.

Expenditures

Personnel Service Cost Assumptions

Full-time staffing, which consists of 163 full-time employees, is assumed to remain at or near the same level for the period covered by the financial estimation.

The current status of labor contracts is as follows:

Union or Group	Contract Expires
AFSCME	June 30, 2023
Teamsters	June 30, 2024
Police Command (BCOA)	June 30, 2022
Firefighters (BFFA)	June 30, 2023
Police (BPOA)	June 30, 2022

For estimating purposes, the model assumes a rate increase for union and nonunion employees. The actual rate may vary depending on numerous factors, including but not limited to, results of union negotiations, changes in state or federal law, and limits on increases in property taxes.

Health insurance costs have been adjusted to reflect a 5 percent increase for 2022-2023 through 2025-2026.

Expenditures for the employer's portion of retirement contributions and retiree health care contributions are projected to remain stable throughout the years of the forecast.

Public Safety

Increases to Public Safety expenditures from 2016-2017 to 2019-2021 are mainly the result of adding 8 employees during that time period.

Sidewalk and Alley Construction

Construction costs include South Old Woodward Avenue sidewalks from Brown to Landon for \$2.4 million and Oak sidewalk gap closure for \$265,000 in 2022-2023. Sidewalk routine replacement costs are estimated at \$650,000 per year. Alley construction costs include Pierce Alley estimated at \$400,000 in 2021-2022 and W. Maple Alley estimated at \$365,000. Both the sidewalk and alley construction will be assessed to the owners.

Ice Sports Arena

The renovations on the arena have been completed. The Ice Sports Arena has since reopened in November, and it is projected that costs associated will be less than normal in fiscal year 2021-2022 due to the season starting late. Going forward the season may be extended, which is anticipated to increase operational expenses.

48th District Court

Expenditures are expected to decrease starting in fiscal year 2022-2023 as a result of the City opting out as a funding unit effective December 31, 2022.

Operating Transfers Out

In 2018-2019, a transfer of \$775,000 to the Sewer Fund as reimbursement of costs paid to settle the Wolf v. Birmingham lawsuit relating to storm water fees. Additionally, a \$443,000 transfer was made for 2018-2019 to the Retiree Health Care Fund. Transfers out to the Major Street Fund, Local Street Fund, and Capital Projects Fund are routine and represent funding for capital improvements.

Other Expenditures

Other expenditures assume 4 percent increases for the years 2021-2022 through 2022-2023, 3 percent increases in 2023-2024, and 2 percent increases in 2024-2025 through 2025-2026.

City of Birmingham, Michigan General Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

	2017-2018	Actual 2018-2019	ual <u>2019-2020</u>	2020-2021	2021-2022	Estim 2022-2023	Estimate Future Operations 20 23 2023-2024 20	tions 2024-2025	2025-2026
<u>Revenue</u> Taxes									
Real and personal property taxes Tax losses Penalties and interest	\$ 23,513,459 (23,773) 101,811	\$ 24,985,216 (23,668) 112,660	\$ 26,072,678 (31,113) 130,234	\$ 26,958,170 (61,510) 120,760	\$ 28,263,010 (100,000) 130,000	\$ 30,380,300 (100,000) 130,000	\$ 31,951,310 (100,000) 130,000	\$ 33,918,650 (100,000) 130,000	\$ 36,169,760 (100,000) 130,000
Total taxes	23,591,497	25,074,208	26,171,799	27,017,420	28,293,010	30,410,300	31,981,310	33,948,650	36,199,760
Licenses and Permits Business licenses and permits Rental housing fees	60,272	62,937	33,131	47,420	48,870	62,170	62,200	62,200	62,200
Building permits Appeal and review fees	2,111,579	2,361,287	1,741,665	2,038,310 251,090	1,976,360	2,006,005	2,036,095	2,066,636	2,097,636
Telecommunciation permit Cable television franchise fees Other	65,277 351,256 6,44 <u>2</u>	65,410 348,869 6,285	72,790 332,441 3,895	75,210 318,360 3,720	53,870 325,000 6,000	73,000 350,000 6,000	73,000 350,000 6,000	73,000 350,000 6,000	73,000 350,000 6,000
Total license and permits	2,933,593	3,147,702	2,502,108	2,918,620	2,742,640	2,833,785	2,866,516	2,899,870	2,933,725
Intergovernmental Federal grants Federal COVID related grants	78,271	42,044	40,316	48,880 915,690	66,900	43,000	43,000	43,000	43,000
Shared revenue Other Local	1,920,336 60,614 454,776	1,997,557 58,314 243,297	1,964,936 91,043 332,722	2,231,950 50,450 101,420	2,115,540 55,500 86,300	2,146,042 56,800 86,420	2,177,428 56,800 86,350	2,209,285 56,800 86,350	2,241,619 56,800 86,350
Total intergovermental	2,513,997	2,341,212	2,429,017	3,348,390	2,724,240	2,332,262	2,363,578	2,395,435	2,427,769
Charges for Services Labor charges to other funds Ice arena fees	1,171,122 620,024	1,442,528	1,416,925 509,756	1,395,010 314,890	1,359,500	1,378,319 664,600	1,397,420 676,600	1,416,808 683,665	1,436,486
Other recreation program fees Museum fees	123,063 39,561	115,150	95,680	95,740	108,990	108,990	109,998	111,021	112,059 44,200
Special event fees	85,801	84,363	69,507	28,390	81,910	86,610	86,610	86,610	86,610
Sidewalk construction Dispatch	46,912 314,798	24,665 334,310	1,730 345,327	19,390 361,530	25,000 382,400	25,000 388,136	393,958	399,867	25,000 405,865
EMS transports Other recreation program fees	351,263 45,264	373,437 66,517	417,912 51,181	375,010 46,870	420,000 72,420	426,300 73,920	432,695 73,920	439,185 73,920	445,773 73,920
Total charges for services	2,799,808	3,116,844	2,947,874	2,676,610	3,092,520	3,196,075	3,240,401	3,280,276	3,320,749
Fines and Forfeitures 48th District Court Parking fines Impound fees False alarm charges	1,262,413 533,148 8,050 5,855	1,170,013 542,354 7,800 5,700	1,086,365 377,617 5,000 5,018	510,240 452,200 1,820 4,400	785,540 500,000 2,500 3,000	479,500 525,000 7,000 5,000	99,500 525,000 7,000 4,750	99,500 525,000 7,000 4,750	99,500 525,000 7,000 4,750
Total fines and forfeitures	1,809,466	1,725,867	1,474,000	968,660	1,291,040	1,016,500	636,250	636,250	636,250

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and accounting policies.

City of Birmingham, Michigan General Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

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	2017-7102	8102-0107	0202-6102	Z0Z0-Z0Z I	2021-202	2025-2023	2023-2024	2707-4707	0707-6707
Interest and Rent Interest earned on investments Rent Other interest earnings	125,037 59,091 3,954	802,348 64,507 2,372	1,089,837 53,507 1,875	12,470 57,560 63,910	400,000 60,060 177,000	350,000 60,938 137,250	350,000 61,830 117,850	350,000 62,735 117,850	350,000 63,654 117,850
Total interest and rent	188,082	869,227	1,145,219	133,940	637,060	548,188	529,680	530,585	531,504
Other Revenue	90,783	359,197	98,451	337,020	641,570	414,850	956,730	608,480	608,480
Contributions from Other Funds	100,000	179,400	200,000	115,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total revenue	34,027,226	36,813,657	36,968,468	37,515,660	39,522,080	40,851,960	42,674,465	44,399,546	46,758,237
Expenditures									
General Government									
Commission Manager's office	52,365	52,241	65,600	58,870	118,130	127,702	137,646	148,042	159,798
Manager's Office Elections	39,979	34,496	546,630 65,793	988,830 67,350	42,454	51,950	26.850	64,450	26,850
Assessor	208,030	207,738	209,635	211,750	242,981	252,686	260,255	265,453	270,755
Legal	458,445	477,740	494,765	503,490	544,440	548,592	558,570	569,741	581,135
Clerk	311,445	344,442	379,226	480,120	468,123	485,248	504,187	523,486	544,904
Finance	809,820	835,421	852,721	956,670	983,744	989,293	1,028,336	1,068,912	1,112,978
numan resources Treasurer	306,007 646 204	335,54 <i>Z</i> 659.354	557,755 688,323	362,930	459,413 749,000	776 446	500,070 805 146	320,279 835 868	869.767
City hall and grounds	480.613	513,058	518,531	529,520	599,545	620.871	676,866	659,638	678.215
Library maintenance	30,484	36,577	45,136	31,280	39,534	41,115	42,349	43,197	44,060
Historical museum				,	,				!
Hunter House	10,959	13,686	22,995	81,090	80,630	31,393	16,734	17,069	17,410
Allen House General administration	174,665	197,060	173,594 1.083,779	186,750	440,310 1.196.588	251,158 1.300,865	314,684	332,071	351,069 1,416,453
Total general government	5,082,674	5,303,205	5,506,243	5,809,170	6,725,998	6,739,596	7,024,868	7,267,367	7,486,547
Public Safety	5 001 538	6 400 294	6 871 655	7 363 140	7 680 351	7 861 053	8 104 500	8 552 130	8 927 950
Tire	5,482,557	5,922,405	6,403,824	6,972,330	7,251,160	7,438,167	7,601,495	7,914,017	8,240,853
Dispatch Emergency preparation	1,024,994 9,202	986,648 9,180	1,032,934 98,130	1,077,950 54,450	1,165,991 58,320	1,211,808 11,573	1,282,062 11,770	1,308,661 11,905	1,360,270 12,043
Total public safety	12.508.291	13.408.527	14.406.543	15.467.870	16.155.822	16.523.501	17.089.917	17.786.713	18.541.116
Community Development Planning Building inspection	542,144 2,076,541	735,005 2,259,260	549,202 2,395,516	538,710 2,086,620	699,616 2,409,798	729,241 2,512,051	757,893 2,620,359	787,329 2,730,474	817,476 2,847,173
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l otal community development	2,618,685	2,994,265	2,944,718	2,625,330	3,109,414	3,241,292	3,378,252	3,517,803	3,664,649

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and accounting policies.

City of Birmingham, Michigan General Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

		Actual	nal			Estim	Estimate Future Operations	ions	
	2017-2018	2018-2019	<u>2019-2020</u>	2020-2021	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	2023-2024	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
Engineering and Public Services Fnoineering	813.693	867.584	787,291	908.140	1.345.883	1.420.628	1.444.382	1 495.511	1.549.616
Sidewalk construction and replacement	1,113,173	2,059,063	847,501	3,018,590	1,523,824	3,188,335	720,385	721,793	723,229
Alley construction and maintenance	17,075	83,986	15,931	17,240	425,000	390,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Fiber optic system		2,759	36,470	136,630	144,825	275,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Property maintenance	787,774	911,791	1,046,241	1,020,120	1,154,093	1,195,595	1,232,893	1,266,632	1,301,581
Department of Public Services - General	268,804	294,114	319,395	346,050	434,486	450,953	479,145	514,310	554,017
Weed/Snow enforcement	32,330	29,011	42,449	37,890	53,825	55,961	22,967	59,911	61,934
Community activities	244,007	317,270	273,834	282,910	336,856	349,338	360,694	371,286	382,270
lce sports arena	631,037	636,840	608,088	476,660	690,837	720,930	741,429	762,185	783,626
Parks	1,064,557	1,045,279	1,148,280	1,092,820	1,227,365	1,264,875	1,297,589	1,330,907	1,365,273
Total engineering and public services	4,972,450	6,247,697	5,125,480	7,337,050	7,336,994	9,311,615	6,364,484	6,552,535	6,751,546
Contributions 48th District Court	1.261.046	1.219.055	1.642.813	946.010	935.400	626.920	30.000	30.000	30.000
Operating transfers to other funds									
Major Street Fund	2,100,000	2,579,900	2,746,000	2,000,000	4,100,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Capital Projects Fund	736,570	1,453,000	910,892	1,995,290	140,000	665,000	140,370	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Sewer Fund	•	775,000	•	,	•	•	•	1	•
Water Fund	200,000		200,000	•	•			•	
Retiree Health Care System Other	45,000	443,000	1 1				1 1		
Total contributions	6,842,616	8,969,955	7,799,705	7,941,300	7,125,400	7,791,920	6,670,370	7,530,000	7,530,000
Total expenitures	32,024,716	36,923,649	35,782,689	39,180,720	40,453,628	43,607,924	40,527,891	42,654,418	43,973,858
Excess of Revenue Over (Under) Expenditures	2,002,510	(109,992)	1,185,779	(1,665,060)	(931,548)	(2,755,964)	2,146,574	1,745,128	2,784,379
Fund Balance - Beginning of year	15,304,140	17,306,650	17,196,658	18,382,437	16,717,377	15,785,829	13,029,865	15,176,439	16,921,567
Fund Balance - End of year	\$ 17,306,650	\$ 17,196,658	\$ 18,382,437	\$ 16,717,377	\$ 15,785,829	\$ 13,029,865	\$ 15,176,439	\$ 16,921,567	\$ 19,705,946

Major and Local Street Funds Assumptions

Major Street Fund

This forecast analyzes the actual results from 2017-2018 through 2020-2021 and the City's adopted budget for 2021-2022 with inflationary increases for the years 2022-2023 through 2025-2026. Exceptions to this method are noted below:

Revenue

State Grants and Distributions

The estimates for the road funding have been provided by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

In fiscal year 2018-2019, the City received approximately \$230,000 in additional road funding beyond the Act 51 funding for road maintenance, however, no additional amount has been budgeted for future years as there is no certainty this program will continue.

Special Assessments

Special assessment revenue for fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2024-2025 include 1 year assessments for cape seal maintenance.

Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers are forecasted in an amount needed to provide adequate funding for projected road improvements and maintenance.

Interest Income

The forecast assumes investment return of 1 percent for 2022-2023 with a slight improvement to 1.75 percent in 2025-2026. Interest income can fluctuate between years due to unrealized market gains and losses on investments. In addition, special assessment interest has also been projected as unimproved streets are completed.

Expenditures

Maintenance of Streets and Bridges

Fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2024-2025 include cape seal projects. In addition, approximately \$30,000 has been forecasted for street light maintenance in 2021-2022.

Street Cleaning

The forecast projects that catch basin cleaning will continue to be scheduled once every three years.

Street Trees

Increase in costs for street trees is due to projected increase in contractual costs and cost of trees.

Traffic Controls

Fiscal year 2022-2023 upgrades include: \$180,000 for Brown & Southfield, \$155,000 for Adams & Derby, and \$210,000 for Maple and Elm Street/Poppleton. Fiscal year 2023-2024 upgrades include \$180,000 for Maple and Adams.

Capital Outlay

Below is a list of planned projects with an estimated cost equal to or greater than \$200,000.

2021-2022	Peabody – E. Maple to E. Brown	\$200,000
	Redding Rd – Lakepark Ave to Woodward	\$450,000
	Redding Rd – Retaining Wall Removal	\$125,000
	Pierce – Lincoln to Bird	\$400,000
	Cranbrook Tap Grant	\$325,000
	S. Old Woodward Design/Prelim Construction	\$1,000,000
2022-2023	S. Old Woodward Ave Brown St. to Landon St.	\$3,000,000
	Oakland Blvd – N Old Woodward to Woodward Ave	\$300,000
2023-2024	N Adams – N. End (Resurfacing)	\$650,000
	E. Maple (Patching)	\$250,000
	S. Eton Rd. – Yosemite to 14 Mile	\$1,700,000
2024-2025	Unassigned Improved Street	\$1,000,000
2025-2026	Unassigned Improved Street	\$500,000
	Derby Bridge Reconstruction	\$3,000,000

Local Street Fund

This forecast analyzes the actual results from 2017-2018 through 2020-2021 and the City's adopted budget for 2021-2022 with inflationary increases for the years 2022-2023 through 2025-2026. Exceptions to this method are noted below:

Revenue

State Grants and Distributions

The estimates for the road funding have been provided by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). The estimates for the road funding have been provided by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Special Assessments

Special assessment revenue for fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2024-2025 include 1 year assessments for cape seal maintenance. In addition, special assessments for unimproved street reconstruction have been included.

Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers are forecasted in an amount needed to provide adequate funding for projected road improvements and maintenance.

Interest Income

The forecast assumes investment return of 1 percent for 2022-2023 with a slight improvement to 1.75 percent in 2025-2026. Interest income can fluctuate between years due to unrealized market gains and losses on investments. In addition, special assessment interest has also been projected as unimproved streets are completed.

Expenditures

Maintenance of Streets and Bridges

Cape seal maintenance is expected in fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2024-2025. Also, asphalt maintenance is scheduled to occur in each fiscal year from 2021-2022 through 2025-2026.

Street Cleaning

The forecast projects that catch basin cleaning will continue to be scheduled once every three years.

Capital Outlay

Below is a list of planned projects with an estimated cost equal to or greater than \$200,000.

2021-2022	Townsend St. – Southfield to Chester	\$425,000
	Edgewood – E. Lincoln Ave to Southlawn Blvd	\$650,000
	Unimproved Streets	\$1,000,000
2022-2023	Pembroke Rd. – N. Eton to Edenborough	\$350,000
	Unimproved Streets	\$1,000,000
2023-2024	Windemere – N. Eton to St. Andrews	\$650,000
	Quarton Lake PH II	\$200,000
	Unimproved Streets	\$1,000,000
2024-2025	Unassigned Improved Streets	\$450,000
	Unimproved Streets	\$2,000,000
2025-2026	Unassigned Improved Streets	\$450,000
	Unimproved Streets	\$2,000,000

City of Birmingham Major Street Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

				'		Estimate	Estimated Future Operations	erations	
Si accidente	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
State grants and distributions	1,438,343	1,621,238	1,453,560	1,599,135	1,674,280	1,707,763	1,741,918	1,776,757	1,812,292
opecial assessment collections Federal grants		82,844	- '	2,815		000,00		000,00	
Local sources	215,000	ı	125,291	ı	ı	ı	ı	ı	•
Interest and rent	14,193	79,877	159,112	2,150	59,580	38,868	51,056	50,865	80,216
Other	200	200		3,500			1		1
Transfers from General Fund	2,100,000	2,579,900	2,746,000	2,000,000	4,100,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Total revenue	3,833,961	4,364,359	4,490,820	3,607,600	5,833,860	4,796,631	4,792,974	4,877,622	4,892,508
Expenditures									
Maintenance of streets and bridges	343,390	447,930	282,711	253,736	362,900	384,596	348,714	405,272	362,031
Street cleaning	197,597	140,810	156,857	163,818	221,770	164,653	167,043	236,386	173,814
Street trees	227,921	242,126	217,299	248,368	292,680	284,926	298,277	304,378	310,613
Traffic controls	448,674	690,747	403,865	704,833	278,650	834,267	477,946	304,466	311,134
Snow and ice removal	292,038	209,097	243,195	198,183	261,770	268,427	273,796	279,235	284,804
Administrative	18,217	18,998	20,488	20,900	20,570	21,224	21,860	22,476	23,110
Capital outlay - Engineering and									
construction of roads and bridges	2,845,005	810,999	1,679,902	2,831,158	4,254,980	3,967,105	2,968,368	1,546,115	4,108,929
Total expenditures	4,372,842	2,560,707	3,004,317	4,420,996	5,693,320	5,925,198	4,556,004	3,098,328	5,574,435
Excess of Revenue Over (Under)	(539 994)	1 803 652	1 186 503	(813 306)	140 540	(4 408 667)	236.070	4 770 204	(584 027)
Expenditures	(199,960)	7,803,602	1,480,503	(013,390)	140,340	(1,126,507)	730,970	1,7,9,294	(921,927)
Fund Balance - Beginning of year	2,271,792	1,732,911	3,536,563	5,023,066	4,209,670	4,350,210	3,221,643	3,458,613	5,237,907
Fund Balance - End of year	1,732,911	3,536,563	5,023,066	4,209,670	4,350,210	3,221,643	3,458,613	5,237,907	4,555,980

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and accounting policies.

City of Birmingham Local Street Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

							Estim	Estimated Future Operations	erations	
		2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Re	Revenue									
	State grants and distributions	530,118	565,229	590,699	649,822	663,560	697,537	711,488	725,717	740,232
	Special assessment collections	377,059	401,794	213,876	172,825	192,460	624,730	382,489	746,100	1,067,211
	Local Sources	30,598	•		•	•	•	•	•	
	Interest and rent	24,254	59,658	50,546	10,316	26,708	14,416	65,961	105,736	153,669
	Other	4,878	2,942	21,450	10,716	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
	Transfers from General Fund	2,200,000	2,500,000	2,000,000	3,000,000	1,950,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	4,500,000	4,500,000
	Total revenue	3,166,907	3,529,623	2,876,571	3,843,679	2,837,728	4,841,683	4,664,938	6,082,553	6,466,112
Ē	Expenditures									
	Maintenance of streets and bridges	815,167	1,119,883	801,900	404,041	663,500	1,048,277	712,850	1,095,164	785,319
	Street cleaning	224,461	169,146	166,552	190,298	255,550	183,179	188,306	275,456	197,564
	Street trees	499,951	514,400	520,800	548,422	614,630	638,578	657,732	671,556	685,684
1	Traffic controls	62,265	67,729	65,249	55,430	68,700	68,700	70,762	72,724	74,740
16	Snow and ice removal	149,507	141,840	142,594	138,914	173,780	179,611	184,729	189,045	193,483
	Administrative	25,618	26,748	28,958	29,521	28,960	28,980	29,849	30,706	31,587
	Capital outlay - Engineering and	070 677	4 040 676	1 07 5 00 4	790 000	000	700	100000	0770	0.00
	construction of roads and bridges	8/3,5//	1,819,576	1,3/5,081	608,967	3,136,030	2,161,830	2,988,685	3,140,328	3,342,014
	Total expenditures	2,650,546	3,859,322	3,101,134	1,975,593	4,941,150	4,309,155	4,832,913	5,474,979	5,310,391
Ä	Excess of Revenue Over (Under)									
i	Expenditures	516,361	(329,699)	(224,563)	1,868,086	(2,103,422)	532,528	(167,975)	607,574	1,155,721
Ŧ	Fund Balance - Beginning of year	1,407,671	1,924,032	1,594,333	1,369,770	3,237,856	1,134,434	1,666,962	1,498,987	2,106,561
Η	Fund Balance - End of year	1,924,032	1,594,333	1,369,770	3,237,856	1,134,434	1,666,962	1,498,987	2,106,561	3,262,282

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and accounting policies.

Water and Sewer Funds Assumptions

This forecast analyzes the actual results from 2017-2018 through 2020-2021 and the City's adopted budget for 2021-2022 with inflationary increases for the years 2022-2023 through 2025-2026. Water volumes are based on a 5 year running average. Exceptions to this method are noted below:

Water Fund

Water Purchase Cost

The forecast assumes a 4 percent increase in the cost of water for 2021-2022 through 2025-2026. Water volumes are projected to remain relatively constant.

Operations and Maintenance

Included in this amount is lead service line abatement in the amount of \$1,460,000 for fiscal year 2021-2022, \$1,620,000 for fiscal year 2022-2023, \$1,060,000 for fiscal year 2023-2024 and \$500,000 for fiscal year 2024-2025. The abatements will be funded by \$2,240,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, \$2,000,000 in property taxes, and \$400,000 in fund reserves.

Capital Outlay

The forecast is based on estimates prepared by the City Engineer for years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026. These improvements will be made in conjunction with road improvements and will be partially funded by property taxes from 2021-2022 through 2024-2025.

Interest Income

The forecast assumes investment return of 1 percent for 2022-2023 and gradually increasing through 2025-2026. Interest income can fluctuate between years due to unrealized market gains and losses on investments.

Property Taxes

Property tax revenue is distributed to the Water Fund for capital improvements associated with road projects and to partially fund lead service line abatement.

Federal Grants

The forecast includes \$2,240,000 in American Rescue Plan Act grants which are anticipated to be spent between fiscal years 2021-2022 and 2023-2024.

<u>Transfers from Other Funds</u>

The \$500,000 in 2017-2018 represents extra funding associated with the OPEB liability from the General Fund as a result of implementing GASB 75. The \$500,000 in 2019-2020 from the General Fund was for capital improvements associated with the Maple Road project.

Capital Outlay Not Included in Net Cost of Services

This line represents the cost of capital outlay and lead service line replacement included in the total costs above less property tax and grant revenue. This net cost is not factored into calculating the user rate.

Average User Rate

The higher than normal rate increases are the result of a systematic reduction in the use of property taxes to fund water main improvements.

Sewer Fund

Sewage Disposal Cost

The forecast assumes a 3 percent increase in the sanitary sewage disposal costs for the Evergreen-Farmington and George W. Kuhn Sewage Disposal Districts.

Stormwater Disposal Costs

The forecast assumes a 3 percent increase in stormwater disposal costs for the Evergreen-Farmington and George W. Kuhn Sewage Disposal Districts.

Operations and Maintenance

In fiscal year 2018-2019 and 2019-2020, the City received a stormwater, asset management, and wastewater grant. That grant involved studying the City's systems and preparing a report which was done by an outside engineering firm.

Capital Outlay

The forecast uses estimates prepared by the City Engineer for years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026. These improvements will be made in conjunction with road improvements and will be funded by the reserves of the system.

Interest Income

The forecast assumes investment return of 1 percent for 2022-2023 and gradually increasing through 2025-2026. Interest income can fluctuate between years due to unrealized market gains and losses on investments.

Debt Service Payments

Debt service payments are based on current debt schedules for 2021-2022 through 2025-2026.

Property Taxes

Property tax revenue is distributed to the Sewer Fund for sewer-related debt payments.

Transfers from Other Funds

The transfer from the General Fund made in 2018-2019 represents a reimbursement of settlement costs associated with the Wolf vs City of Birmingham lawsuit.

Capital Outlay Not Included in Net Cost of Services

This line represents the cost of capital outlay which is not included in the user rate. The sewer rate includes \$700,000 for capital improvements each year.

City of Birmingham, Michigan Water Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	Estimate 2022-2023	Estimated Future Operations -2023 2023-2024 2024-	rations 2024-2025	2025-2026
Key Operating Data: Water sold Water purchased Average unit cost of water purchased	854,625 922,317 \$	797,789 853,607 \$ 2.33	770,748 856,471 \$ 2.31	821,128 894,886 \$ 2.30	821,400 888,000 \$ 2.39	826,200 893,175 \$ 2.48	826,200 893,175 \$ 2.58	826,200 893,175 \$ 2.68	826,200 893,175 \$ 2.78
Cost of Services Cost of water Depreciation Operation and maintenance General and administrative Capital outlay	2,085,955 811,724 1,397,228 198,279 1,146,412	1,986,553 835,681 1,137,442 206,343 1,487,626	1,975,461 859,855 1,235,465 213,344 987,998	2,054,651 908,587 1,850,791 216,531 1,781,454	2,126,100 949,800 3,130,420 209,290 1,855,000	2,218,884 1,027,400 3,244,987 222,861 1,449,000	2,302,952 1,091,350 2,776,430 235,243 2,550,000	2,390,605 1,155,100 2,207,349 243,516 2,550,000	2,482,045 1,221,350 1,760,818 247,281 2,650,000
Total Cost of Services	5,639,598	5,653,645	5,272,123	6,812,014	8,270,610	8,163,132	8,955,975	8,546,570	8,361,494
Other Income Interest Property taxes Federal Grants Flat rate meter charge and other Transfer from other funds	15,103 747,634 830,153 500,000	110,584 752,306 756,488	163,284 998,538 649,523 500,000	3,141 1,498,003 706,581	77,000 1,300,000 560,000 729,000	51,700 1,100,000 1,120,000 719,500	57,547 900,000 560,000 726,300	62,655 700,000 - 728,154	65,892
Total Other Income	2,092,890	1,619,378	2,311,345	2,207,725	2,666,000	2,991,200	2,243,847	1,490,809	795,956
Less: Capital Outlay and Lead Replacement Costs Not Included in Net Cost of Services	ent Costs				(1,255,000)	(449,000)	(1,550,000)	(1,550,000)	(1,650,000)
Net Cost of Services	3,546,708	4,034,267	2,960,778	4,604,289	4,349,610	4,722,932	5,162,128	5,505,761	5,915,538
Average User Charge					\$ 5.30	\$ 5.72	\$ 6.25	\$ 6.66	\$ 7.16
Average Rate Increase						7.92%	9.27%	6.56%	7.51%

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and accounting policies.

City of Birmingham, Michigan Sewer Fund Historic and Estimated Financial Operations

	6,000	Actual	ual		0000	Estimat	Estimated Future Operations	ations	9000
Key Operating data: Water sold Water purchased Average unit cost of sewage disposal	1	797,789 853,607 \$ 4.33	770,748 856,471 \$ 4.52	821,128 894,886 \$ 4.59	821,400 888,000 \$	826,200 893,175 \$ 4.93	826,200 893,175 \$ 5.08	826,200 893,175 \$ 5.24	826,200 893,175 \$ 5.40
Cost of Services Sanitary sewage disposal costs Storm water costs Depreciation and amortization Debt service - including principal Operation and maintenance General and administrative Capital outlay	3,661,070 2,432,785 931,702 1,575,184 642,294 222,344 2,859,192	3,692,752 2,522,409 988,253 1,623,283 931,169 232,159 2,139,757	3,869,263 2,599,432 1,012,947 1,689,189 944,343 247,382 852,432	4,109,306 2,752,743 1,063,765 1,689,379 458,505 251,643 1,952,702	4,277,200 2,887,030 1,121,610 397,670 841,460 239,420 1,760,000	4,407,079 2,974,452 1,170,235 318,120 961,507 247,979 1,945,000	4,540,986 3,025,310 1,223,860 315,230 979,637 257,737 2,145,000	4,678,909 3,109,962 1,286,360 33,055 995,605 267,868 2,500,000	4,820,971 3,197,157 1,338,860 33,068 1,012,115 278,227 2,100,000
C Total Cost of Services	12,324,571	12,129,782	11,214,988	12,278,043	11,524,390	12,024,372	12,487,760	12,871,759	12,780,398
Other Income Interest Property taxes Storm water charge State grant Other Transfers from other funds	30,928 1,579,504 2,444,810 243,669 201,252	127,705 1,630,670 2,540,512 777,507 215,239 775,000	179,076 1,687,430 2,624,333 592,990 71,729	5,705 1,688,738 2,769,011 - 38,514	70,000 394,200 2,887,030 - 73,470	35,557 318,120 2,974,452 - 70,000	41,346 315,230 3,025,310 - 70,000	43,105 33,055 3,109,962 - 70,000	44,426 33,068 3,197,157 - 70,000
Total Other Income	4,500,163	6,066,633	5,155,558	4,501,968	3,424,700	3,398,129	3,451,886	3,256,122	3,344,651
Less: Capital Outlay Not Included in Net Cost of Services	<u>c</u>				(1,060,000)	(1,245,000)	(1,445,000)	(1,800,000)	(1,400,000)
Net Cost of Services	7,824,408	6,063,149	6,059,430	7,776,075	7,039,690	7,381,243	7,590,874	7,815,637	8,035,747
Average User Charge					\$ 8.57	\$ 8.93	\$ 9.19	\$ 9.46	\$ 9.73
Average Rate Increase/Decrease						4.20%	2.91%	2.94%	2.85%

See accompanying summaries of significant assumptions and account policies.

Part 1 - History of actual property tax levies	Part 1 - I	History o	of actual	property	tax	levies:
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	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	2021-2022
History of Form L-4025, Assessor's Report of Taxable Value New property additions Property losses Increases in existing property TV (imputed; includes both uncapping and Headlee inflation	71,343,980 (13,236,860)	2,220,344,410 65,325,894 (14,272,588)	2,359,367,180 63,886,305 (13,118,053)	2,497,255,420 75,634,670 (11,573,438)	2,638,284,320 69,047,712 (13,050,235)
increases) Current year taxable value	52,048,510	87,969,464	87,119,988	76,967,668	69,081,783
	2.220.344.410	2.359.367.180	2.497.255.420	2.638.284.320	2.763.363.580
Headlee Inflation rate Actual increase on existing properties Total change in Taxable Value Headlee reduction fraction	0.30%	0.90%	2.40%	1.90%	1.40%
	2.17%	3.07%	1.31%	1.19%	1.23%
	5.22%	6.26%	5.84%	5.65%	4.74%
	0.9787	0.9703	0.9873	0.9884	0.9880

Part 2 - Projection of Future property taxes:

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Fiscal year ended June 30,	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Assumed rate of:					
New property additions	2.62%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
Property losses	0.49%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
Headlee Inflation rate multiplier	1.40%	3.30%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
Projected actual change in TV of existing property	1.23%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
Total change in Taxable Value	4.74%	5.78%	4.99%	4.99%	4.99%
Projected taxable value:					
Beginning value	2,638,284,320	2,763,363,580	2,923,182,713	3,068,976,451	3,222,041,651
New property additions	69,047,712	69,084,090	73,079,568	76,724,411	80,551,041
Property losses	(13,050,235)	(13,816,818)	(14,615,914)	(15,344,882)	(16,110,208)
Market value adjustments (including inflation)	69,081,783	104,551,861	87,330,084	91,685,671	96,258,494
Taxable value	2,763,363,580	2,923,182,713	3,068,976,451	3,222,041,651	3,382,740,978
Headlee rollback factor	0.9880	0.9952	0.9951	0.9951	0.9951
Less: Tax Incremental Taxable Value	14,272,030	16,773,250	22,169,470	22,723,700	23,291,790
Part 3 - Millage rates					
Operating - General Fund	8.0747	8.2113	8.3485	8.2529	8.5296
Road - General Fund	2.2007	2.2364	2.1334	2.3442	2.2325
subtotal General Fund	10.2754	10.4477	10.4819	10.5971	10.7621
George W. Kuhn Drain	0.1446	0.1095	0.1035	0.0103	0.0098
Water Fund	0.4729	0.3785	0.2954	0.2188	0.0000
subtotal City Operating Levy	10.8929	10.9357	10.8808	10.8262	10.7719
Library Tax	1.3380	1.3315	1.3250	1.3185	1.3120
Refuse	0.7930	0.7589	0.7412	0.7227	0.7047
Debt	0.5657	0.5171	0.5352	0.2455	0.2292
Total Millage Rate	13.5896	13.5432	13.4822	13.1129	13.0178
Part 4 - Amount of property tax levy:					
Operating - General Fund	\$22,198,090	\$23,865,400	\$25,436,270	\$26,403,650	\$28,654,760
Road - General Fund	6,049,930	6,500,000	6,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
subtotal General Fund	28,248,020	30,365,400	31,936,270	33,903,650	36,154,760
George W. Kuhn Drain	397,520	318,121	315,230	33,903,055	33,068
Water Fund	1,300,050	1,100,000	900,000	700,000	-
subtotal City Operating Levy	29,945,590	31,783,521	33,151,500	34,636,705	36,187,828
Library Tax	3,678,280	3,869,880	4,037,020	4,218,300	4,407,600
Refuse	2,180,030	2,205,770	2,258,440	2,312,000	2,367,500
Debt	1,563,230	1,514,122	1,645,172	792,322	776,622
Total property taxes levied	\$ 37,367,130	\$ 39,373,293	\$ 41,092,132	\$ 41,959,327	\$ 43,739,550

PROPERTY TAX ASSUMPTIONS

Appendix B illustrates the process used to estimate the property tax revenue.

Part 1 includes the last five years of actual data, from the Assessor's Report of Taxable Values (Form L-4025). Parts 2 through 4 represent the projection of future property tax values, millage rates, and dollars levied. The 2021 tax billing is already final (billed July 1, 2021); key assumptions for 2022-2023 through 2025-2026 on a line-by-line basis are as follows:

- a. New property additions are assumed to increase by 2.5 percent per year and losses are assumed to be .5 percent per year based on a 5-year average.
- b. Headlee inflation rate multiplier is based on national inflation indexes. Based on these indexes, the rate for 2022-2023 will be 3.3%. While inflation historically has been bound to the 1.5 to 2.5 percent range, the forecast projects an annual inflation rate of 3.3 percent for 2022-2023 and 2.5 percent for fiscal years 2023-2024 to 2025-2026. This is due to pandemic-related supply chain challenges that will take some time to balance back out.
- c. The projected actual change in taxable values of existing properties is projected to be .5 percent per year. This is lower than the 5-year average of approximately 1.75 percent. The reason for the lower amount is due to an estimated increase in the number of tax appeals which will likely occur as housing values start to normalize. Note that this index represents the net change in valuation for all properties that existed in the previous year; therefore, it includes two components: (1) uncapping of properties that are transferred or sold; and (2) any reductions in market value that cause SEV (50 percent of market value) to go lower than the TV. While market value increases are expected to continue, the impact on taxable value is limited because of Proposal A. Taxable values are then calculated based on the above three factors.
- d. Total change in taxable value is the product of a-c above and results in projected taxable value changes of 5.78 percent in 2022-2023 and approximately 5 percent in fiscal years 2023-2024 through 2025-2026.
- e. Millage rates are set as required to achieve the amount of property tax levy required in Part4. Specifically:
 - 1. The millage rate for the City operating levy is assumed to decrease annually in order to maintain a .3 mill difference between the Headlee maximum and the operating levy. Also included in the overall City operating levy is funding for road improvements, debt service payments for the George W. Kuhn retention treatment facility bonds, and water main infrastructure and lead service line replacement funding.
 - 2. The library tax levy for 2021-2022 is at the 1.3380 maximum rate and decreases slightly for the remaining forecasted years to fund phase 3 of library renovations.
 - 3. The millage rate for the refuse levy is expected to decrease in each year of the forecast.
 - 4. The debt millage rate is expected to decrease in fiscal year 2022-2023 and increase slightly in 2023-2024 due to scheduled debt payments. In fiscal year 2024-2025, the debt levy decreases significantly due to the retirement of the 2002 park bonds. An estimate for the next park bond series has been included in the debt levy starting in fiscal year 2024-2025.

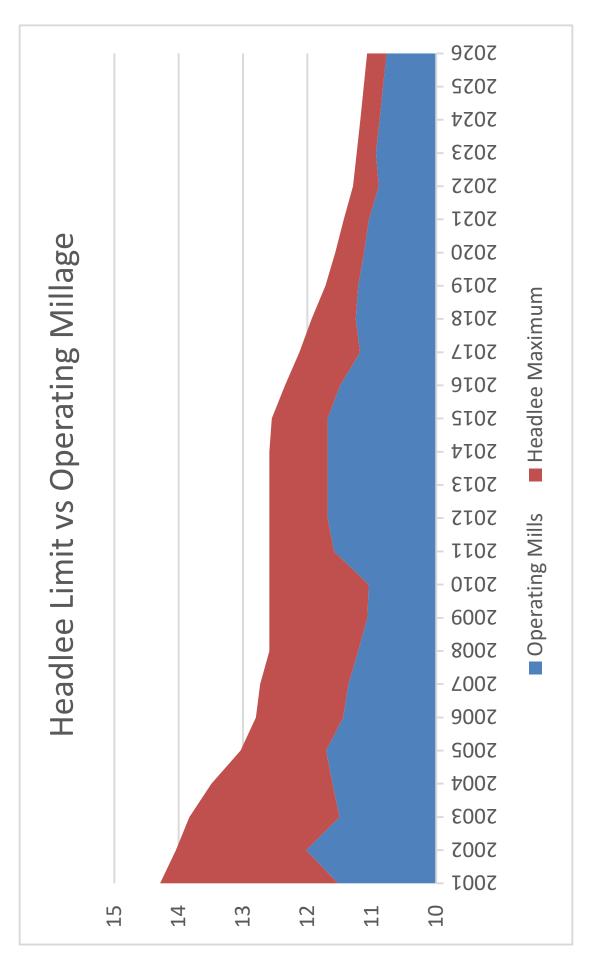
f. Property tax millage rates are limited by City Charter and Headlee Amendment as follows:

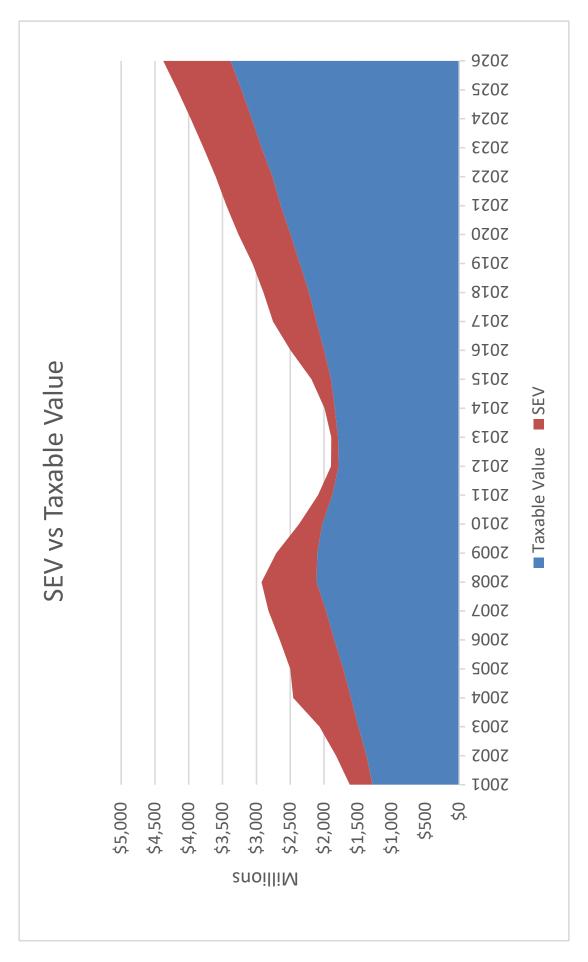
As of Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Tax Levy	City Charter Limit	Headlee Amendment Limit
City Operating Levy	20.0000	11.2904
Library	1.7500	1.3380
Refuse	3.0000	1.6931

All tax levies under this forecast are projected to be at or under the Headlee limit in the future.

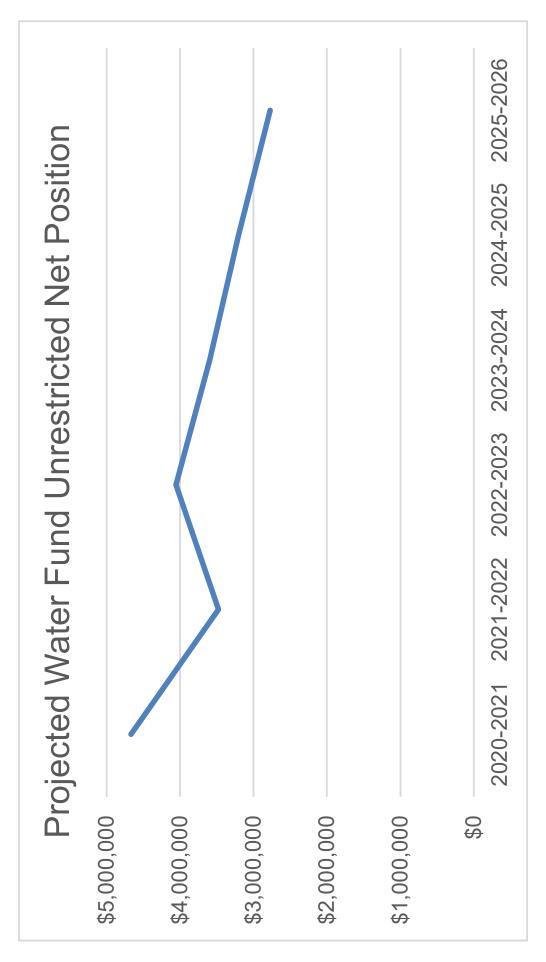
g. The City considered the effects of tax incremental financing on property tax revenue in the forecast. The City uses tax incremental financing as a tool to encourage redevelopment of properties that would otherwise likely not be redeveloped. Tax incremental financing is primarily used to reimburse developers who have removed environmental contamination from their property in the course of redevelopment.



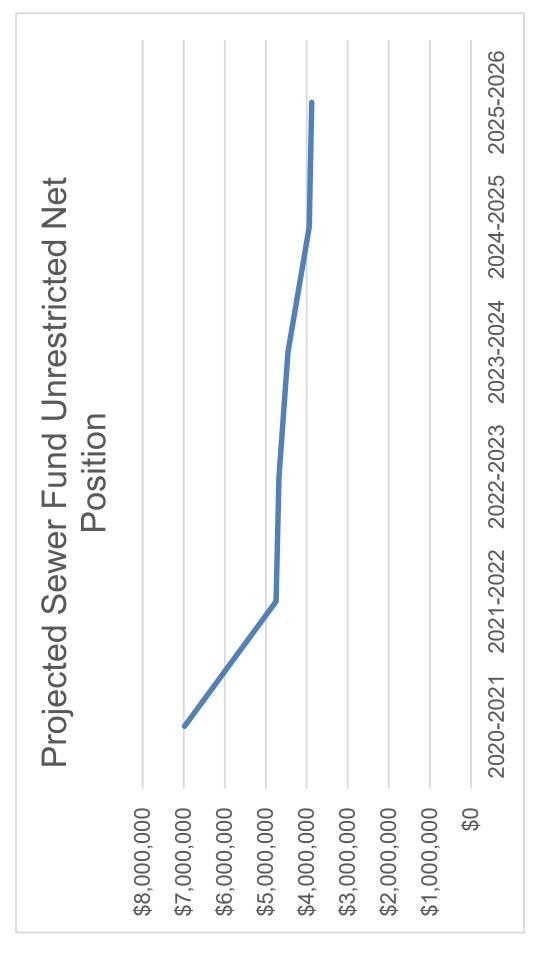


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Steady decrease in net position is the result of an increase in water main replacement associated with unimproved street reconstruction.



Large decrease in 2021-2022 is the result of remaining projects from 2020-2021 and a projected shortage in water sales.