

FY 2023-2024 Recommended Budget Presentation

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#### Finance Department

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City Manager Introductory Comments





#### **Budget Process**

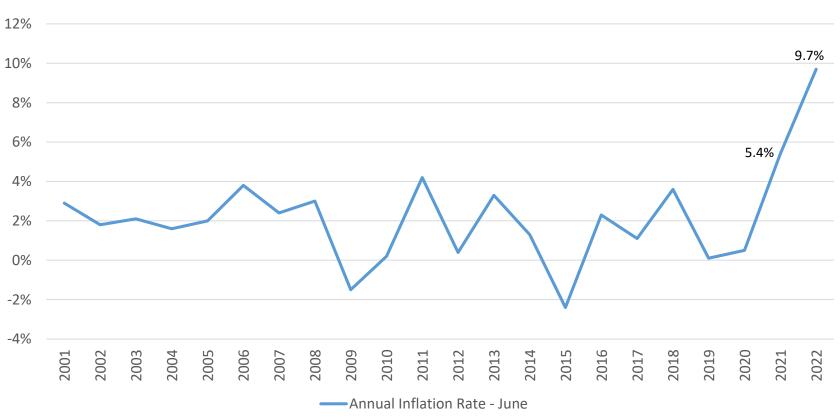
- Nine month process (October June)
  - Capital spending plans
  - Personnel spending plans
  - Other departmental expenditures
  - Revenue projections
- Manager meetings with department heads
- Preparation of the recommended budget book
- Public hearing
- Commission approval
- Preparation of the approved budget book

#### Spending Plans

- City staff prepares a budget for the next fiscal year and planning amounts for the following two fiscal years.
- This allows the City Manager and Finance Director to view the larger picture and make changes to the spending plan in order to maximize financial stability.

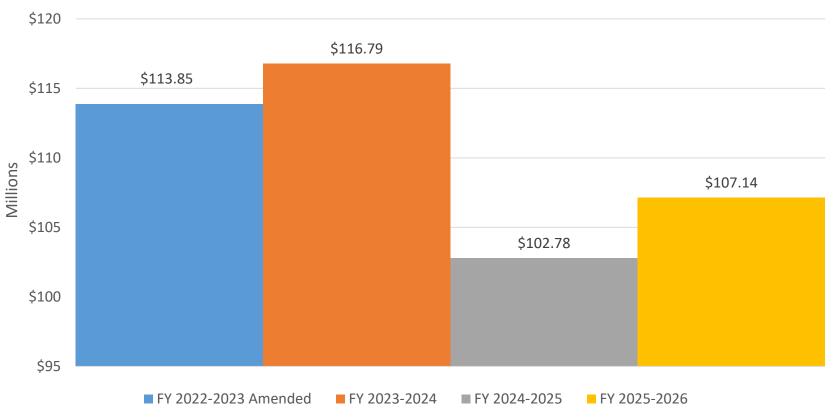


# Historical inflation is the biggest factor in preparing the recommended budget.



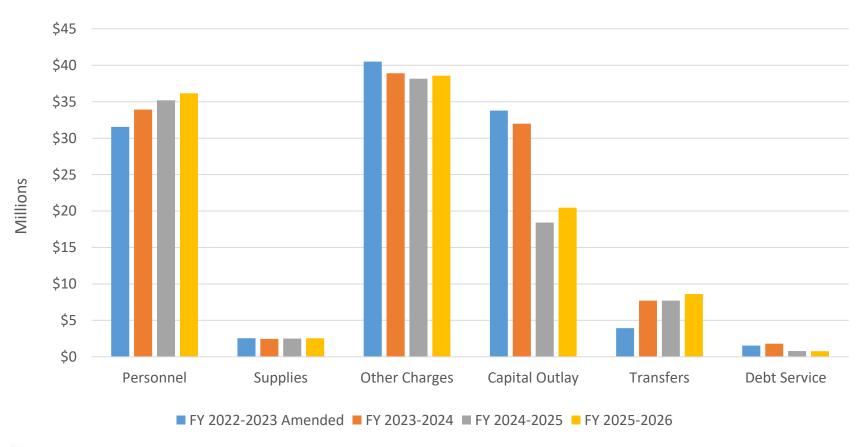


#### **Total Budget Comparison**





#### Comparison of Budget Categories





# FY 2023-2024 Recommended Budget Highlights

- \$28M in capital improvements
  - \$8.7M in streets, sidewalks and alley improvements
  - \$2.5M in sewer improvements
  - \$3M in water improvements
  - \$9.7M in parking system improvements
  - \$3.3M in library building improvements
  - \$.8M in park improvements



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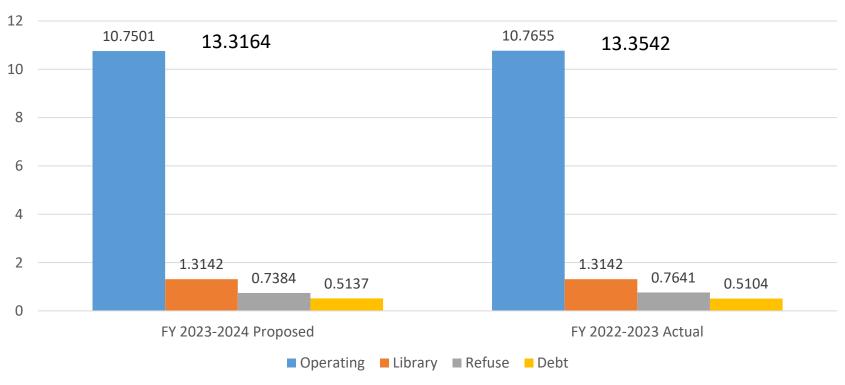
Increase in taxable value of 7.8%.

2022-2023 Taxable Value	\$2,961,382,730
Losses	(19,003,734)
Additions	63,213,900
Inflation – capped at 5%	147,118,950
Other (uncapping/MTT/market adjustments)	46,614,964
2023-2024 Taxable Value	<u>\$3,193,177,600</u>



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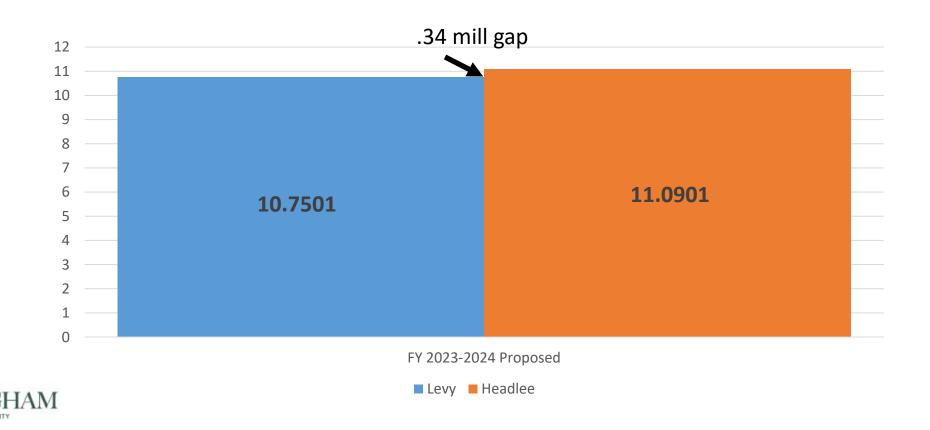
Overall decrease in the tax levy of 0.0378 mills.





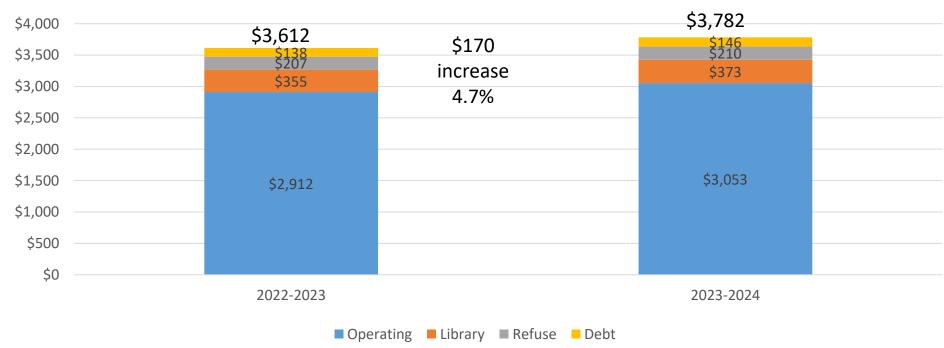
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Maintains at least a .3 mill gap between Headlee maximum and proposed millage rate.



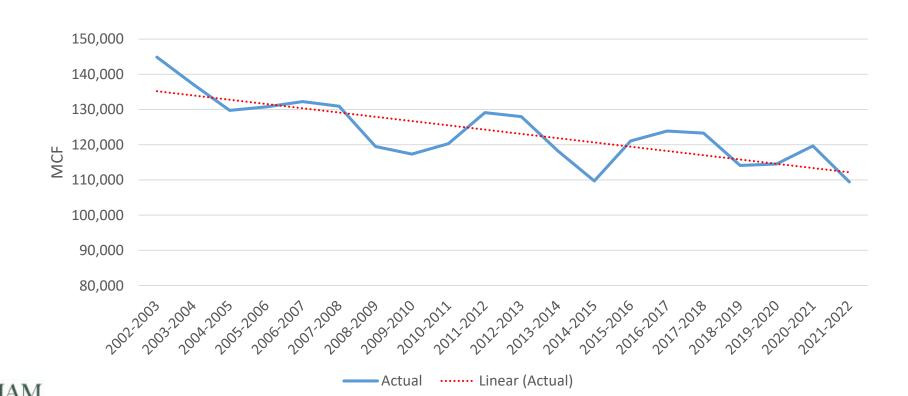
# FY 2023-2024 Recommended Budget Highlights – Property Taxes

Average Homeowner with Taxable Value of \$270,500 in FY 2022-2023 and \$284,000 in FY 2023-2024 (7.9% inflation rate, capped to 5% due to Proposal A)





Water Consumed by the City Continues to Decrease Over Time



Basic Formula for Calculating Rates

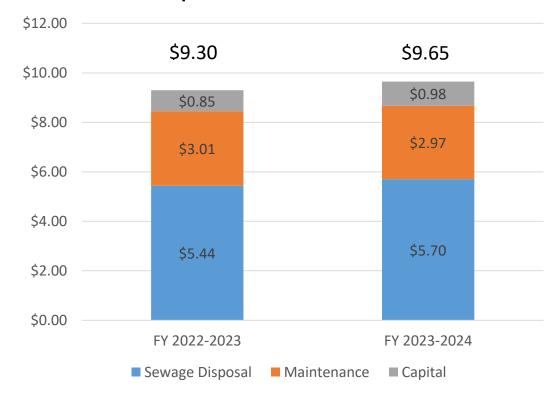
- **Operating Costs**
- Other Service Revenues (inspections/interest)
- = Net Operating Costs
- / Estimated Units of Water Sold

Water Consumption = Rates

#### Water Rates Proposed to Increase \$.46 or 8%



#### **Sewer Rates Proposed to Increase \$.35 or 4%**



Water Rate Increase of \$.46 or 8%

- Significant portion of the increase (\$.24) is related to shifting the source of funding of \$200,000 in capital improvements from property taxes to water rates.
- Cost of water increased the rate \$.09. This is outside the control
  of the City.
- City maintenance costs increased the rate \$.06.
- The decrease in water consumption increased the rate \$.07.
- Average residential user would see an annual increase of \$41 or just over \$3 per month.

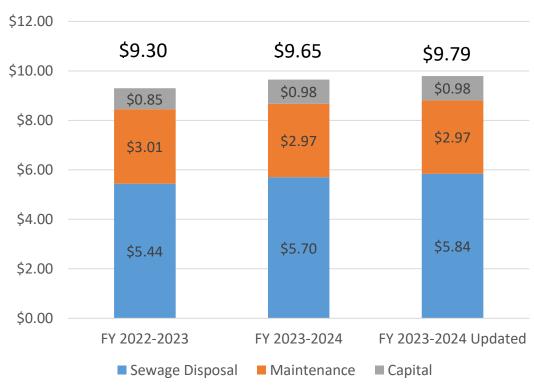
Sewer Rate Increase of \$.35 or 4%

- Sewage disposal costs increased the rate \$.21.
- Increasing the amount for capital improvements (\$100,000) increased the rate \$.12.
- The decrease in water consumption increased the rate \$.10.
- A decrease in operating costs plus an increase in other operating income decreased the rate by \$.08.
- Average residential user would see an annual increase of \$32 or less than \$3 per month.



- Based on preliminary rate information from Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner
- Preliminary sewage disposal costs will be \$117,830 more than proposed due to higher than expected costs in the Evergreen-Farmington system.

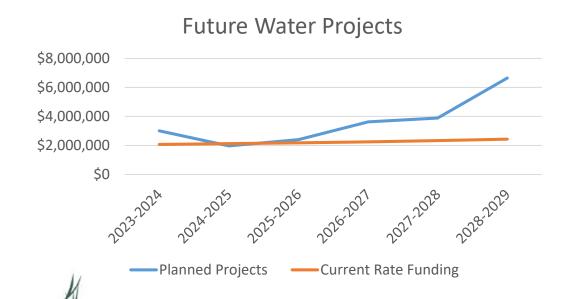
#### **Updated Sewer Rates Proposed** to Increase \$.49 or 5.2%

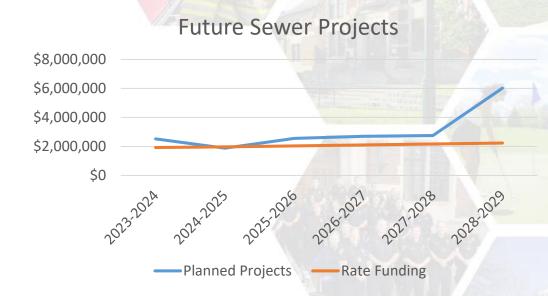




Why do we need to keep increasing rates for capital improvements?

Depreciation alone is not enough to cover future capital improvements.





#### Significant Notes to Amounts from Prior Year's Budget

- 1. 711.00 Labor Burden The increase of \$22,120, or 15.1%, is due to a rise in medical expenses and retirement contributions.
- 2. 811.00 Other Contractual Services The budget of \$35,000 includes costs for a traffic consulting (\$10,000), bike pedestrian counts (\$10,000), scanning (\$10,000), and bike facilities (\$5,000).
- 3. 825.01 Downtown Action Plan The budget of \$20,000 is for the VIA signs.
- **4. 942.00 Computer Equipment Rental** The increase of \$3,450, or 14.0%, reflects an overall increase of 15.0% for rental charges and a change in cost allocation.
- **5. 981.01 Public Improvements** The budget of \$100,000 shows the cost of purchasing a gateway sign and pole-based wayfinding signs (16).

#### Significant Notes to 2024-2025 Planned Amounts

- 1. 811.00 Other Contractual Service The budget of \$96,000 includes costs for a traffic consulting (\$10,000), bike pedestrian counts (\$10,000), scanning (\$8,000), bike facilities (\$10,000), the multi-modal plan update (\$50,000), and a survey of the Little San Fran neighborhood (\$8,000).
- **2. 942.00 Computer Equipment Rental** The increase of \$4,200, or 15.0%, reflects an overall 15.0% increase in rental charges.
- **3. 981.01 Public Improvements** The budget of \$40,000 represents the cost for a gateway sign.

#### Significant Notes to 2025-2026 Planned Amounts

- 1. 811.00 Other Contractual Services The budget of \$38,000 includes costs for traffic consulting (\$10,000), bike pedestrian counts (\$10,000), scanning (\$8,000), and bike facilities (\$10,000).
- **2. 942.00 Computer Equipment Rental** The increase of \$3,230, or 10.0%, reflects an overall 10.0% increase in rental charges.