Budget Policies Stabilization Fund Amendments

April 18, 2022



Strategic Plan Alignment



Ensure continued financial stability and accountability through sound financial management, budgeting and reporting

Create and implement a plan to address long-term liabilities, sustain and improve the City's Bond Rating to create savings on future debt issuances





Purpose of the Budget Policies

- Sets guidelines for budgetary decision-making and set standards for **sound budgetary practices** and **fiscal performance**.
- Budget Policies that are consistently followed will assist the City in achieving its current and future goals in a fiscally responsible and sustainable manner.
- Policy spans areas of both operating and capital projects budgeting, revenue management, forecasting, internal controls, and reporting.



Stabilization Fund



- Originally recommended in December 2015
- Council approved on March 3, 2020 as a reserve of surplus revenue
- Amount of funds to be committed or planned uses require Council approval



Stabilization Fund Amendments

- Establishes the "Operating & Debt Stabilization Fund"
- Creates "Pension Stabilization Fund"



Operating & Debt Stabilization Fund

- Reserve of surplus revenues to be used with the purpose of:
 - Minimizing future tax rate impact for operating and debt service,
 - Protecting against raising charges for services and fees and,
 - Providing available funding for specific circumstances as needed to maintain the same levels of service
- Amount of funds to be committed or planned uses require Council approval



Pension Stabilization Fund

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- Allocate a portion of year-end surplus revenues (future Council meeting)
- To continue sound financial management of the City in a proactive manner
- Reduce current unfunded pension liability
- Sustain and improve City bond rating, resulting in taxpayer savings
- Plan is to fund additional annual contributions to the City Employees Retirement Trust and Firemen & Policemen's Pension Fund





Requested Action and Next Steps

- April 18 FOAC approves Budget Policies amendments
- May 10 City Council meeting
 - Budget Policies amendments presented for approval
 - CFO recommendation to allocate a portion of year-end surplus revenues





Mission

Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for our community

Vision

Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government

☆ Values

Integrity, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, People





💣 Misión

Brindar servicios excepcionales para respaldar una vida y un lugar de alta calidad para nuestra comunidad

Visión

Desarrollar una economía regional vibrante, vecindarios seguros y hermosos y oportunidades recreativas, culturales y educativas excepcionales impulsadas por un gobierno de alto desempeño

☆ Valores

Integridad, Respeto, Excelencia, Responsabilidad, Personas

