


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	24-132	Meeting:	April 1, 2024
	Agenda Item:	21	Roll Call:	24-0494-6
	Submitted by:	Nickolas Schaul, Finance Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Setting Public Hearings on April 15, 2024, for:

(A) Adoption of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 through FY 2027-2028.

(B) Amendment to the annual Operating Budget for the current FY ending June 30, 2024.

(C) Adoption of the recommended annual budget for the FY ending June 30, 2025.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the setting of hearings for FY 2024-2025 through FY 2027-2028 CIP, amendment to the current year budget for FY 2023-2024, and recommended annual budget for FY 2024-2025.

Preliminary Operating and Capital budget documents were distributed to Council and posted on the City website February 9, 2024. Four (4) public meetings were conducted in December and opportunities for input were available on the City's website. Budget detail presentations were made to the City Council at work sessions on February 22, 2024. With the enactment of House File (HF) 718 (Property Tax Reform Act), the submittal date of city government budgets was shifted from March 31 to April 30 going forward.

FISCAL IMPACT:

- FY2023-2024 Amended Budget = \$1,236,349,089 (including a \$303,674,852 capital budget)
- FY2024-2025 Recommended Budget = \$974,939,695 (including a \$199,923,493 capital budget)

Funding Source: The total \$974,939,695 budget would be the appropriation authority across all City funds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Due to changes enacted in HF 718 which limited taxable valuation growth, this budget reflects a largely status quo budget. The significant changes include:

- Additional Police Officers (2) for downtown and additional contributions for expanded Court Avenue security
 - Additional Firefighter for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare Pilot Program
 - Additional Building Equipment Operators (2) for new or expanded city facilities – T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building, Animal Control Services, upcoming Reichardt Community Recreation Center
 - Additional Customer Service Representative and part-time staff for expansion of cemetery operations at the Masonic Cemetery
 - Increased contractual costs with Animal Rescue League for expanded services
 - Funding for Sobering Center operations that is shared with Polk County
 - A \$1.5M contribution to DART for FY 2025 in June (FY 2024 amended budget)
 - Funding for Allen Park equipment and access improvement in the CIP plan years of FY 2026 and FY 2027
- Appendix A provides a list of corrective changes and detailed explanations made by the Budget Office after the publication of the preliminary documents.
 - Final Adopted Budget documents will be created this spring and distributed to Council Members as well as posted online.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: March 4, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0337](#)

Action: [On](#) receipt of oral or written testimony from any resident or property owner of Des Moines on the proposed property tax amount for FY 2025, (4-1-24, 7:30 AM). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 6-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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