

#### **City of Fort Bragg**

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# Meeting Agenda Special City Council

THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL MEETS CONCURRENTLY
AS THE FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NO. 1 AND THE FORT BRAGG REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR
AGENCY

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

2:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N Main Street and Via Video Conference

#### Mid Year Budget Workshop

CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL** 

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#### 1. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

**1A.** 24-661 Conduct FY 2023/24 Mid-Year Budget Review - City Council Work Session

Attachments: FY 24 Mid-Year Discussion Outline

CIP Progress Report 23-24

Mid-Year Budget Review Presentation

Administrative Services Update

FBPD 23-24 Mid Year

Budget Workshop Grants Slides 03.20.2024 SM LP

FY 23-24 Mid-Year Budget Report

General Fund Mid-Year Update FY 23-24

Water & Wastewater Enterprise Mid-Year FY 23-24

CV Starr Enterprise Mid-Year FY 23-24

Internal Service Funds Mid-Year FY 23-24

Mid-Year Budget Requests

**Budget Schedule, Goals & Priorities** 

Long Term Financial Planning

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Conduct FY 2023/24 Mid-Year Budget Review - City Council Work Session





#### FY 2024 MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 2 pm – 5:00 pm

#### **DISCUSSION OUTLINE**

- 1. INTRODUCTION & OVERVIEW (2.00 pm-2.10 pm)
- **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS** (2.10 pm-2.2:30 pm)
- 3. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) UPDATES "Investments in our Community" (2.30 pm-2:45 pm)
  - a. Water
  - b. Wastewater
  - c. Streets
  - d. CV Starr
  - e. Broadband
- **4. EMERGENCY PLANNING** (2:45 pm to 3 pm)
- 5. BRIEF PROJECT/ DEPT PROGRESS REPORTS (3pm-4pm)
  - a. City Manager & Administrative Services (10m)
  - b. Visit Fort Bragg (10m)
  - c. Finance (10m)
  - d. IT (10m)
  - e. Police (10m)
  - f. Community Development (10m)
  - g. Grants (10min)
  - h. Special Projects (10m)
  - i. CV Starr (10m)
  - j. Public Works (10m) (Break -10mins)

#### 6. FY 2024 MID-YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT

- a. Mid-Year Budget Review (4:00-4:35 pm)
  - General Fund
  - Water Enterprise
  - Wastewater Enterprise
  - CV Starr Enterprise
  - Internal Service Funds: Facilities, Fleet, and IT
- b. Budget Adjustment Requests
- 7. FY 2025 BUDGET GOALS & LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING (4:35 PM-4:50 pm)



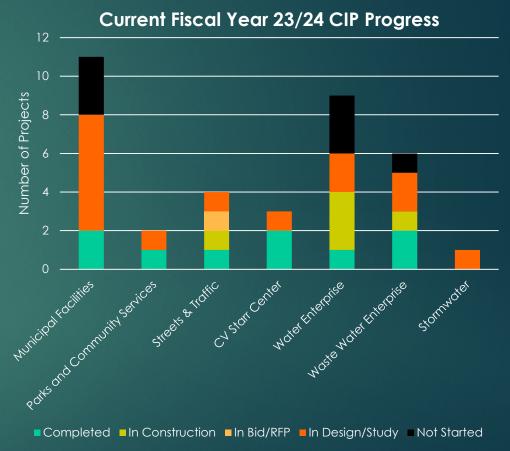
**6. WRAP-UP** (4.50 pm- 5:00 pm)

# 23/24 Mid-Year Capital Improvement Program Progress Report

36 PROJECTS WERE SLOTTED FOR EXPENDITURE IN THE 23/24 FISCAL YEAR WITH A TOTAL PROGRAMMED COST OF \$32,389,541

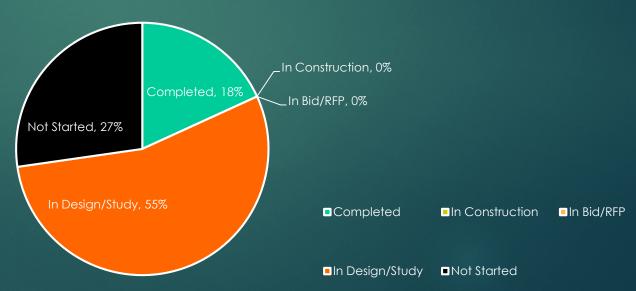
# CIP Project Status Update

	Cor	npleted	In C	construction	In	Bid/RFP	In		Not Started	Tot	al Budget
Municipal Facilities		\$255,000		\$0		\$0		\$6,673,523	\$320,000	\$	7,248,523
Parks and Community Services	\$	327,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,691,279	\$ -	\$	2,018,279
Streets & Traffic	\$	299,277	\$	4,086,429	\$	230,000	\$	339,730	\$ -	\$	4,955,436
CV Starr Center	\$	317,600	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,600,000	\$ -	\$	1,917,600
Water Enterprise	\$	812,000	\$	10,157,703	\$	-	\$	1,650,000	\$ 1,800,000	\$	14,419,703
Waste Water Enterprise	\$	480,000	\$	300,000	\$	_	\$	920,000	\$ 130,000	\$	1,830,000
Stormwater	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	280,000	\$ -	\$	280,000
Total	Ç	\$2,490,877		\$14,544,132	\$	230,000		\$13,154,532	\$2,250,000	\$	32,389,541



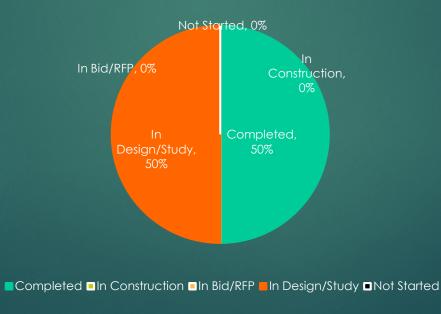
# MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
MUNICIPAL FACILITIES						
Broadband - Fiber	6,000,000				X	
City Hall - Roof and Solar	150,000					X
City Hall - Siding Replace - East Side	70,000					х
Lighting Replacement - OBF	150,000	X				
EV Charging Station - PD	232,951				X	
Town Hall Bathrooms, Windows,Paint, Wall repair	140,000				X	
Main St Fire Station Rehab	150,572				X	
Fire Station Roof	100,000					х
Police Department Roof Replacement - Solar	80,000				X	
Police Department Paint and Repairs	70,000				X	
Corporation Yard Roof Replacement	105,000	X				
11 Total Municipal Facilities Projects	\$ 7,248,523	\$ 255,000			\$ 6,673,523	\$ 320,000



# PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES

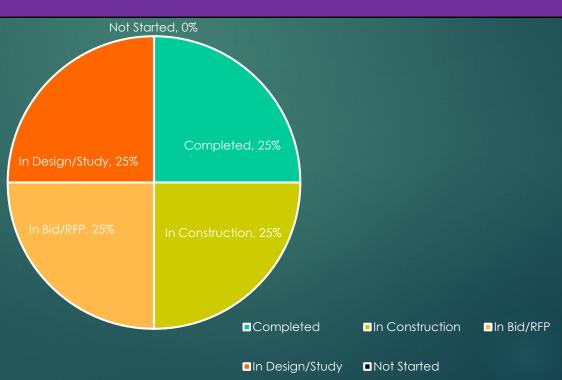
PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
Bainbridge Park Improvements	1,691,279				X	
Wiggly Giggly Playground	327,000	х				
2 Total Parks & Community Services	\$ 2,018,279	\$ 327,000			\$ 1,691,279	



# STREET MAINTENANCE & TRAFFIC SAFETY

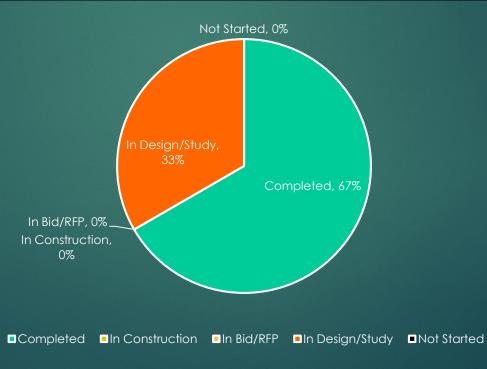
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230,000			х		
299,277	X				
339,730				X	
4,086,429		X			
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**CV STARR ENTERPRISE** 



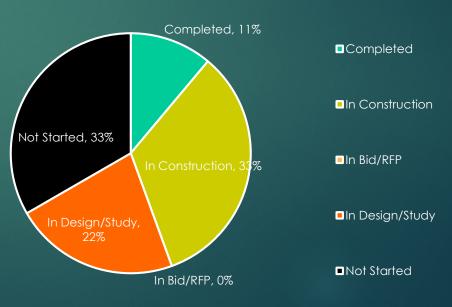
# CV STARR ENTERPRISE

CV STARR ENTERPRISE	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
Ulta Violet Disinfection System						
Replacement - Comp and Leisure	160,600	X				
Domestic Ho Water #1 and #2	157,000	X				
HVAC Air Intake Redesign	1,600,000				х	
3 Total CV Starr Enterprise	\$ 1,917,600	\$ 317,600			\$ 1,600,000	



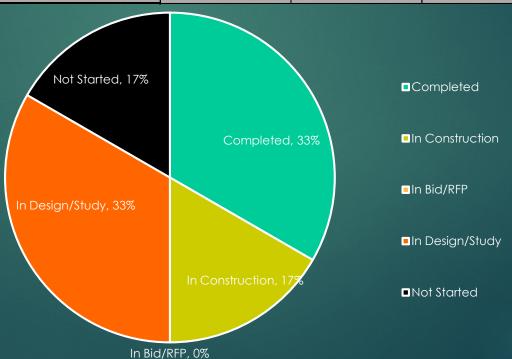
# WATER ENTERPRISE

WATER ENTERPRISE	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
Oneka Buoy - Desalination	800,000				X	
Water Treatment Plant Overhaul	5,276,000		X			
Pudding Creek Water Main Relocation	812,000	X				
Raw Water Line Engineering and Construction, All						
Phases	4,055,000		X			
Raw Water Reservoirs - 135 AF	1,000,000					X
Distribution System Rehabilitation	850,000				X	
Water Meter Replacement	826,703		X			
Extend Water System into North of Pudding Creek	300,000					X
Recycled Water - Design	500,000					X
9 Total Water Enterprise	\$ 14,419,703	\$ 812,000	\$ 10,157,703		\$ 1,650,000	\$ 1,800,000



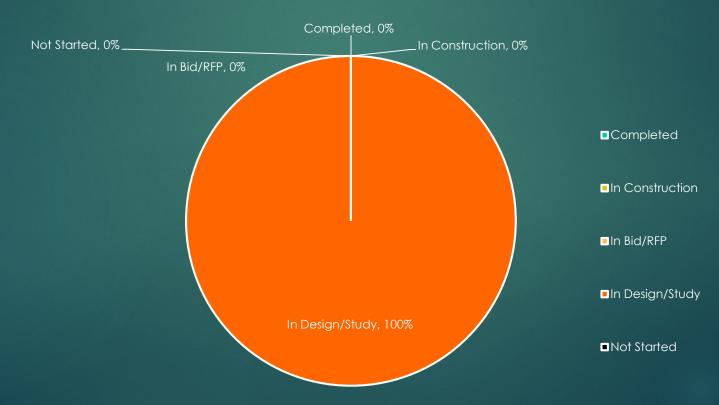
# WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE

WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
Collection System Rehabilitation	750,000				X	
Pudding Creek Sewer Main Relocation	400,000	X				
Onsite Sodium Hypochlorite Generator	300,000		X			
Elm Street Pump Station Header	80,000	X				
Dryer Building Reconstruction	170,000				X	
Biosolids Storage Structure	130,000					х
6 Total Wastewater Enterprise	\$ 1,830,000	\$ 480,000	\$ 300,000		\$ 920,000	\$ 130,000



# STORM WATER

STORM WATER	FY 23/24 Projects	Complete	In Construction	In Bid RFP	In Design/Study	Not Started
Trash Can Replacement	280,000				X	
1 Total Storm Water	\$ 280,000				\$ 280,000	



# STATE OF THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW MARCH 20, 2024

#### NEIL CERVENKA

CHIEF OF POLICE

#### THOMAS O'NEAL

CAPTAIN WITH THE FORT BRAGG POLICE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG



## PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- What we have accomplished in FY 23/24
  - Updated Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
  - VEOCI
  - Management Exercises
  - Identification of an EOC
- Finishing out the Fiscal Year
  - Upcoming Exercise
  - Submittal of EOP to State
  - Multi-Year Exercise Plan
- Recommendations for future years



## FY 23/24 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Updated Emergency
   Operations Plan
  - Coming to City Council on March 25, 2024
  - Started in October of 2023
  - Not updated since 2016
  - Cost savings



# Emergency Operations Plan

Fort Bragg, California Updated March 15, 2024

## FY 23/24 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

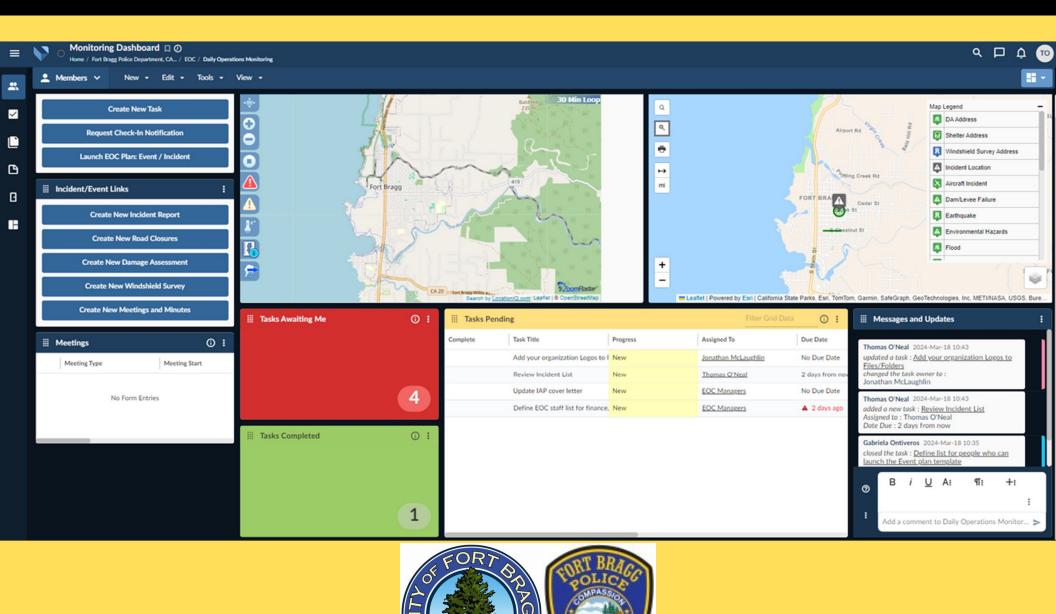
#### VEOCI

- Virtual Emergency Operations Center
- Creates a single platform for incident management and records
- Increases effective opening and closing of the EOC
- Adopted by multiple agencies across the State
- Allows us to connect with private/public partners
- Reoccurring cost of \$11K annually





## **VEOCI**



# EMERGENCY PLANNING MANAGEMENT EXERCISES

### First workshop held in November

Identified current EOC related deficiencies

## Functional Exercise/Seminar scheduled for April 3, 2024

- Four hours
- Will comply with HSEEP
- After Action Review due within 90 days
- Internal Evaluators

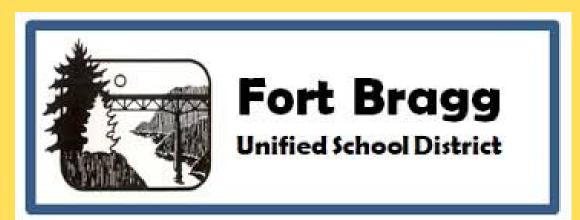
## Follow-up Exercise planned for Q3 of FY 24/25

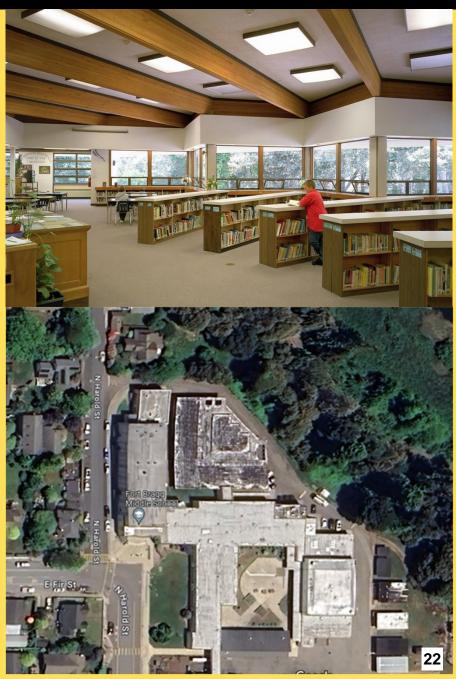
State/County evaluators



## **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**

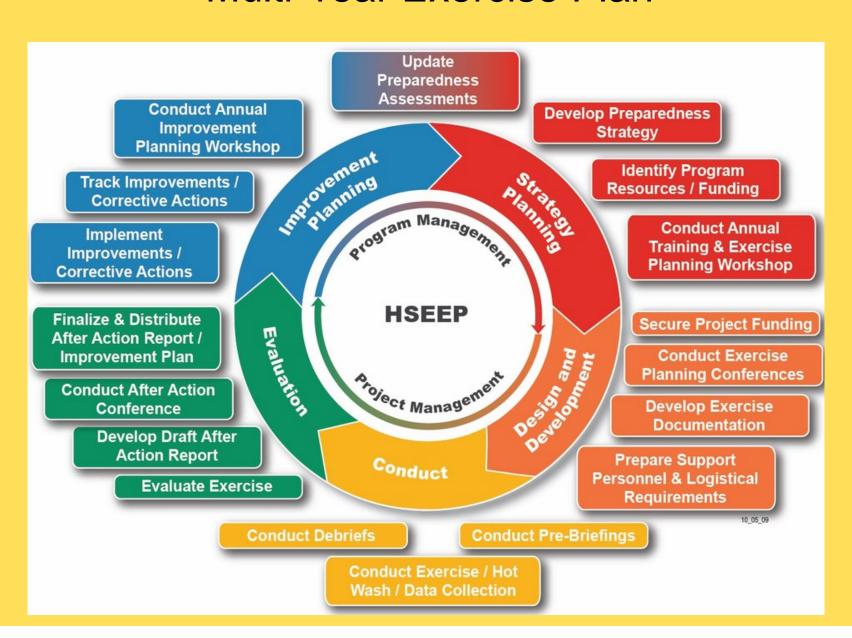
- Current status
- Conducting the search
- Fort Bragg Middle School
- Proposed MOU with FBUSD
  - 2-3 years use of Library
    - Level 1 Activation
    - Quarterly Training
  - Emergency Management Consulting





## FINISHING OUT FY 23/24

#### Multi-Year Exercise Plan



## FUTURE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

## County-wide Comparison

City	<b>Emergency Management Funding</b>	<b>Total Revenues</b>	Ratio
Willits	\$8,000	\$7,035,079	0.114%
Mendocino County	\$283,211	\$288,805,184	0.098%
Ukiah	\$113,676	\$160,009,570	0.071%
Fort Bragg	\$5,000	\$27,345,117	0.018%



## FUTURE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Increase annual budget to \$75,000

Separate Emergency Management into a Line Item

Be engaged in the Emergency Management program



## PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

- FY 24/25
  - EOC pack-out kit (\$40K-\$50K)
  - Recurring Costs (\$25K)
    - Training
    - VEOCI

- FY 25/26
  - Community Resiliency Grants (\$40K-\$50K)



## HOW TO PAY FOR IT

- Emergency Management affects all City Facilities
- Equal amount from all City revenue accounts

Revenue Fund	Revenue	<b>Total Financed</b>	Amount Funded
General Fund	\$11,624,780	0.21%	\$24,412
Water	\$3,070,160	0.21%	\$6,447
Wastewater	\$18,226,696	0.21%	\$38,276
C.V. Starr Center	\$2,129,144	0.21%	\$4,471
		Total Funded	\$73,607



## CONCLUSION

Questions?

Want to provide stakeholder input?

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# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES UPDATE

Juli Mortensen



## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

#### **STAFFING**

- From April 2023 to December 2023, Cristal Munoz and Diana Sanchez jointly handled the City Clerk function, with Cristal Munoz serving as the Acting City Clerk due to the extended illness and eventual passing of former City Clerk, June Lemos in September 2023.
- Diana Sanchez assumed the position of City Clerk in December 2023.
- In September 2023, Amber Weaver joined the Administrative Services department and has helped tame the backlog. She has been a tremendous addition to the team.
- In November 2023, Cassidy Daniels joined the City team as a Temporary Office Assistant to provide support to the City Manager, Human Resources and Finance. She too, has provided fantastic and much needed, administrative support to the City.



#### CITY CLERK METRICS

## CITY CLERK

METRIC	COUNT
Agendas - City Council	15
Agendas - Special City Council	10
Agendas - Finance & Admin	4
Agendas - Visit Fort Bragg	7
Request for Proposals	5
Request for Qualifications	1
Bid Openings	4
Public Records Requests	134
Public Records Time to Close	14.3 days to close
Public Records Currently Open	5
FPPC Form 700 Filing	69% complete (out of 29 filers)

Time period covered is July 1, 2023 to March 19, 2024.



## CITY CLERK

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

City Hall was the collection drop box for mail-in ballots for two elections.

- > Thousands of ballots were collected.
- ➤ For the primary election held March 2, 2024 alone, 2,378 ballots were brought to City Hall.

Records cleanup and catch up including:

- ➤ Contracts over 100 files
- ➤ Claim files approximately 15
- City Fleet/Vehicles approximately 10

City Clerk Records Management File Cleanout Project

➤ Transitioning files from Active Status to Archive – over 107 files.



## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Reorganized and processed 50 boxes for records destruction that were backlogged in Archive A.
- Updated Bloodborne Pathogens Program and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for City Hall.
- Coordinated bi-annual CPR/First Aid Training for City employees.
- Managed ever increasing growing number of reservations of City facilities for various citizen groups.
  - ➤ Gym and Town Hall rentals have increased exponentially since 2021.
- Amber Weaver completed Notary training and is scheduled to take notary examination in April 2023.
- Worked as a team to minimize disruption to City Clerk operations during 2023 due to eventual passing of former City Clerk.
- Created City Manager Roundup to foster increased transparency, communication and engagement with the community. It is also highlights the dedicated work of hard working City employees.
- City wellness program is continuing to foster a healthy workplace.
- The City is now a Blue Zones Worksite approved employer.



## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **PRIORITIES**

- Create system for more accurate and better organized of Town Hall and Gym rentals. Currently in progress.
- Update purchasing procedures to incorporate products that are made from recyclable materials for City employees. Currently in progress.
- Update and streamline the City's Admin Regulations.
- Continuous focus on streamlining processes.



### HUMAN RESOURCES

#### ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE CHANGE

Effective February 11, 2024, the CV Starr Community Center operations were brought under the City.

- Most employees transitioned over to the City, but not all. Some employees were transitioned to independent contractors to better suit operational needs.
- This was done with the assistance of legal counsel to reduce the possibility of misclassification of employees.
- At this time, the City has 106 employees excluding City Councilmembers. It was previously hovering around 66 employees. These number exclude Council members.



## HUMAN RESOURCES

#### **CURRENT EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS**

METRIC	COUNT	
Total Employees	111*	
CV Starr	41	

GENDER	PERCENTAGE
Female	43.2
Male	56.8

#### **EMPLOYEE POPULATION RACE BREAKOUT**

RACE CATEGORY	PERCENTAGE
White	66.7
Hispanic or Latino	27.9
Asian	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0.02
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.03
Black or African American	0

<sup>\*</sup> The statistics provided are rough estimates and include City Councilmembers and the CV Starr.



#### **RECRUITMENT METRICS**

Source of Applicants

Advertising Source	Percentage					
Online Job Board	26.32%					
City Website	25.27%					
Social Media	25.26%					
Other	12.63%					
Employee Referral	8.42%					
Friend	2.11%					

Social media includes Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram. Facebook provided 12.6% of all our candidates.

The City received a total of 95 applicants from June to December 2023. Percentages may not add up to exactly 100% due to rounding.



#### **RECRUITMENT METRICS**

Applicant Race Breakout

RACE CATEGORY	PERCENTAGE					
White	58.95%					
Hispanic or Latino	17.89%					
Two or more races	7.37%					
Undisclosed	7.37%					
Black or African American	6.32%					
Asian	1.05%					
Choose Not to Disclose	1.05%					
Asian / Pacific Islander	0%					

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#### **RECRUITMENT METRICS**

Applicant Race Breakout

Gender by Job Type	Female %	Male %	Not Disclosed		
Administrative	74	11	16		
CV Starr	67	33	0		
Engineering	0	50	50		
Finance	67	33	0		
Law Enforcement	15	76	9		
Planning	75	25	0		
Temporary	84	16	0		

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#### **HIRING METRICS**

2023	Hires
Jan	0
Feb	0
Mar	1
Apr	0
May	0
June	4
July	0
Aug	1
Sept	2
Oct	1
Nov	2
Dec	1
Totals	12

2024	Hires
Jan	1
Feb	42*
Mar	1

<sup>\*</sup> February 11, 2024, the City hired 42 employees from Mendocino Coast Recreation and Parks District (MCRPD) as part of the CV Starr transition.



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- HR is now using DocuSign for various HR forms. This
  quick hit process improvement has been tremendously
  successful and feedback received from managers and
  employees has been extremely positive.
- Successful onboarding of CV Starr employees into the City has been mostly completed due to a great partnership with Finance and the CV Starr Manager. There will continue to be tasks in this area for the foreseeable future.
- Began using JobElephant.com for recruitment advertising. This frees up staff time formerly devoted to job posting advertisements as the company does the work for HR at no additional cost.



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

NEOGOV cloud-based software implementation.

- The first installation, Insight, an applicant tracking system was implemented in December 2023.
  - ➤ The module allows for a better candidate experience.
  - ➤ The system has the capability to allow candidates to selfschedule to reduce the staff time required to call candidates.
  - ➤ The system has capability to have candidates sign their conditional offer letters within the system.
  - ➤ The system also has job description version control built into the system that will allow for further process improvements.
  - ➤ The system has the capability to mask candidate information to help decrease the opportunity for unconscious bias in the recruitment process.
  - ➤ As the City continues to use the applicant tracking system, HR will analyze and incorporate capabilities to continue to improve processes within the HR function.



#### **PRIORITIES**

NEOGOV cloud-based software implementation will continue.

- The first installation, Insight, an applicant tracking system, was implemented in December 2023.
- The second installation, Onboard, is currently in progress. The various HR forms used during the pre-employment and initial onboarding of new employees is currently being developed for use.
- The third installation, eForms will follow after the completion of Onboard.
- All of these modules should bring significant process improvements for the HR function.



#### **PRIORITIES**

A major update to the City's Personnel Rules and Regulations will be undertaken in the coming months.

- It will include focus on updating the document to ensure legal compliance with new legislation surround leave administration.
- Incorporate policies surrounding the CV Starr.
- Include more focused policy language regarding Equal Opportunity and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

#### Continued focus on process improvement

 Specific priorities are the NEOGOV Onboard and the NEOGOV eForms module installations. Onboard is currently in progress.

#### Focus on workplace safety

- Workplace Violence Prevention program to be developed to comply with new legislation.
- Reinvigorate the Safety Committee.



#### **PRIORITIES**

Labor negotiations for the Fort Bragg Police Association will be initiated

Open Enrollment for the coming plan year

- Reaching out to benefit vendors to have an in-person open enrollment
- eForms implementation will not be able to be completed to assist with this year's open enrollment, but should be of use for the 2025 open enrollment season.
- This year's open enrollment will include CV Starr department.
- REMIF, in conjunction with RealCare Insurance Marketing, the City's benefits broker, is currently in the RFP process for dental carriers. HR is aware of employee dissatisfaction with the City's current dental plan provider, Delta Dental.

Focus on improving the workplace environment

• HR will continue to work with the Employee Recognition Committee to plan fun events, to include focus on including CV Starr employees.



# **QUESTIONS?**



FY 23/24 Mid-Year Budget Workshop

### EV Implementation



2023 Ford F150 Lightning

**USDA** and Asset Forfeiture

Fuel Savings

Maintenance Savings

Longevity

Superior Patrol Platform

50% of Patrol Fleet

Fifth Is Here, Waiting for Upfit

Three More for 100%

#### Social Services

#### Care Response Unit

- > Impact on Homelessness
- > Crisis Interventions
- > Community
- > In the Field
- > Co-Response
- > EWS
- >210 clients
- >395 Episodes



#### Project Right Now

- > Youth Education/Intervention
  - > Narcan Training 500
    - > Overdose Prevention
      - > NDP-400
      - ≻Rehab 19
        - > FBUSD



## Enhanced Training

- o Core Course List
- o Narcotics
- o Investigations
- o Professional Staff
- o Principled Policing
- o Emergency Management
- o Leadership

17 Schools in six months for 26 people

Succession Planning!

#### New Staff









- ➤ Three officer vacancies (two expected to be filled this FY)
- ➤ One CSO vacancy (four applicants in interview process)

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ADVANCING WOMEN IN POLICING 30% WOMEN RECRUITS BY 2030

# Community Support

#### Asset Forfeiture Use

- ✓ Swim lessons for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders \$1,000
- ✓ FBHS Soccer \$3,136
- ✓ City of Fort Bragg Halloween \$2,500
- ✓ National Night Out \$2,570

#### Special Olympics

- √ Basketball
- ✓ Law Enforcement Torch Run
- ✓ Polar Plunge

#### Community Events

- ✓ National Night Out
- ✓ Coaching
- ✓ FBHS

# Grants

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# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

#### Past FY:

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding: Utility Bill Assistance and Business Assistance Loans
- Municipal Ocean Water Infrastructure Planning

#### Present FY:

- Business Assistance Loan Program
- Microenterprise Financial Assistance Program
- Water Meter Replacement Project
- Fire Station Rehabilitation Planning
- Code Enforcement

#### Future:

- 2024 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) expected release July 2024
- 2023 NOFA awards not yet announced

# CDBG – Business Assistance Loan & Microenterprise Financial Assistance Programs

#### Business Assistance Loan Program

Total Award: \$500,000

- Low-interest loans for Job Creation or Retention
- Approx \$65,000 available
- Program ends June 2024

#### Microenterprise Financial Assistance Program

Total Award: \$117,000

- Low-interest loans for Microenterprise businesses
- Approx \$35,000 available
- Program ends November 2024

Workshop for interested businesses at Town Hall on April 4 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

#### CDBG – Water Meter Replacement Project

#### Water Meter Replacement Project

Total Award: \$2,944,365

- City-wide water meter replacement
- Upgraded software will enhance customer experience
- Many commercial and multi-family meters already replaced
- Single-family meter replacement expected completion Fall 2024

#### CDBG – Water Meter Replacement Project

#### Fire Station Planning

Total Award: \$203,702

- BID-ready plans and specs for Fire Station Reconstruction (originally Rehabilitation; Reconstruction was found to be more cost-efficient)
- Phased reconstruction North building first
- Completed plans for North building expected April 2024
- Potential Application for 2024 CDBG NOFA (OTC Project) pending completed NEPA & CEQA

#### CDBG - Code Enforcement Program

#### Code Enforcement Program

Total Award: \$447,749

(\$216,749 Grant Award + \$231,000 Program Income Allocation)

- Program began in April 2021 with one Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) stationed at City Hall
- We now have two CEOs stationed at the Police Department
- Program ends April 2024
- Potential Application for 2024 CDBG NOFA (Included as part of OTC Housing Combination Program)

#### California Jobs First

(Formerly Community Economic Resilience Fund) The Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) was created by the State to build an equitable and sustainable economy across California's diverse regions and has been rebranded to California Jobs First (CJF).

The City of Fort Bragg is a partner of the High Road Collaborative / Redwood Region Resilient Inclusive Sustainable Economy (RRRISE), which has been awarded CJF funding. Identified projects will be eligible for \$500 million in funding during the implementation phase (expected to run Winter 2024-2027).

Staff is actively participating in this regional conversation to represent City and coastal interests. Staff is leading the Renewable & Resilient Energy Sector Table and also highly involved in the Blue Economy & Working Lands Sector Table.

#### Other CDD Grant Opportunities in Process

# Affordable Housing \$1,500,000

 CA Department of Housing and Community Development HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) 2022-2023 Funding

# Pomo Education & Visibility \$237,000

- Community Foundation of Mendocino County Community Enrichment Grant Program
- T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program
- California Coastal
   Conservancy Coastal Stories
   Grant Program

### Grants to Increase Housing Opportunities

# SB-2, Local/Regional Early Action Planning (LEAP/REAP) & Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Programs

\$684,587

#### Deliverables:

- Support Community Land Trust for Housing
- Accessory Dwelling Unit Program Plans
- Purchase Springbrook Building Permit module
- Tiny Homes & Tiny Home Communities
- Vacant Parcel Report
- SB-9 Urban Lot Splits
- Planned Unit Development Standards

#### Housing Mendocino Coast

with the community land trust model

A 501c3 focused on providing home ownership opportunities to households earning up to 120% of the area median income that will stay affordable in perpetuity.

- Added first home to portfolio: City Inclusionary Housing Unit
- \$825,000 of Congressional Earmarked Funds (thank you, Huffman!!)
- \$600,000 of PLHA allocation (thank you, Council!!!)
- Working on receiving additional funding for pilot project through the CA Jobs First Act, CDBG and other HCD programs, as well as HUD.

# California Coastal Commission Local Coastal Program Grant Funding

Balancing environmental stewardship with economic vitality with strategic focus on Blue Economy opportunities

\$898,995

Community Engagement Plan

www.NoyoOceanCollective.org

Blue Economy Visioning Resiliency & Implementation Plan

- Site specific SLR, Tsunami, Erosion strategy
- Parcel assessment (physical, social, economic conditions)
- Aquaculture Feasibility Study

LCP Update to codify findings of planning effort

 In coordination with County of Mendocino, as they are conducting SLR resilience strategy for coastline, which includes City of Fort Bragg

#### Regional Blue Economy Initiatives

#### MCOG- Mendocino Council of Governments

North Harbor Drive Circulation Plan

Noyo Harbor District & West Business Development Center

Ice House & Entrepreneurial Support for Local Fishing Fleet

Noyo Center for Marine Science

- Blue Economy Feasibility Study
- Design for Ocean Science Facility on Headlands

#### Kai-Poma

Stewarding land previously managed by Caltrans (Blues Beach)

Federal/State Resource Workshop

April 2024



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#### INTRODUCTION

The City operates on an annual budget cycle. Through the budget, the City Council approves revenue estimates and authorizes City staff to expend the City's limited financial resources. The City Council adopts an original budget prior to the start of each fiscal year, then makes adjustments to the budget throughout the year to reflect changes in expected revenues and to increase or decrease expenditures to address changes in policy or operational priorities.

As one of the many activities that the City undertakes to help ensure its financial soundness, Staff provides quarterly financial reports on the City's budget condition. Following the conclusion of the second quarter of the fiscal year (October through December), Staff conducts a second-quarter/mid-year budget review.

The City of Fort Bragg's mid-year performance Report addresses the financial activity during the first two quarters of FY 2023/24 (July through December). It helps determine whether the City is on track to meet the budget for the fiscal year or if adjustments are warranted. It also includes a projection of the fiscal year-end results, which serve as the starting point for the development of next year's budget and the long-term financial forecast.

The report focuses on the General Fund, Internal Service Funds, C.V Starr, and Water and Wastewater Enterprise Funds. Special Revenue and Capital Project Funds are not included in the City's base operating budget and, therefore, are not detailed in the Mid-Year Performance Report.

In reviewing this report, the following information should be taken into consideration:

- Revenues and expenditures are recorded during the period received or paid. As of January 31, accrual
  entries were made to associate January receipts and expenditures to the second quarter as appropriate.
  Year-end accruals use a 60-day window and therefore are more exhaustive.
- The schedule of revenues received varies according to the source of funding. As an example, property tax payments are received as follows: 55% in December, 38% in April, and 7% in August of the following fiscal year. The August payment is presented in the fiscal year to which it relates.
- Although most expenditures occur monthly, there are some quarterly, semi-annual, and even annual expenditures. Examples include debt service payments, liability insurance, and audit fees.
- This report is not meant to be inclusive of all finance and accounting transactions. It is intended only to provide the Council and the public with an overview of the State of the City's general fiscal condition. The report has been prepared by the City's finance department without audit and does not include many of the year-end adjustments required to bring the City's financial records into compliance with generally accepted accounting principles (i.e. accruals of sales and use tax revenues, payroll and other expenditures).

#### City of Fort Bragg Mid-Year Budget FY 2023/24

The General Fund supports many of the City's day-to-day operations, including police and fire protection, street and park maintenance, community development, and general administrative functions. The General Fund receives the broadest variety of revenues, and many of its revenue sources are cyclical in nature. By contrast, the revenue sources for the Enterprise Funds are received monthly and, as a result, are more evenly distributed throughout the fiscal year. The General Fund includes all services that are funded through general taxes. It is the funding source for all City programs except those that are paid for through dedicated taxes, user fees, impact fees, or grants.

#### **FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 RECAP**

For the fiscal year concluding on June 30, 2023, the General Fund closed with a budget surplus of \$528,783, contributing to an increase in the Fund balance. However, this surplus was partially offset by the return of \$3.5 million in Lease Revenue Bonds, resulting in an overall decrease in the fund balance from \$8,592,235 to \$5,975,337. Expenditures for the year totaled \$10.6 million, marking a 27 percent increase compared to the previous year, as expenditures, especially personnel costs, returned to pre-pandemic levels.

Despite these changes, the General Fund maintained reserves, including an operating reserve of \$1.6 million, a litigation reserve of \$200k, and a recession reserve of \$489k.

#### **GENERAL FUND REVENUES OVERVIEW**

General Fund revenue for the second quarter amounted to \$6.02 million, which represents 52% of the amended budget. This figure compares favorably to the \$5.4 million reported at the mid-year point of the prior fiscal year. Projections suggest that General Fund revenue will reach approximately \$11.7 million by the end of the fiscal year, slightly below the budgeted amount by approximately \$13k.

The table below provides a breakdown of actual FY 2023/24 General Fund revenue collections up to December, comparing them with budgeted revenue estimates and the actual figures from the last two fiscal years for historical context. Additionally, it outlines the recommended changes to each category as part of this report.

				GENERA	L FUND REV	ENUES					
REVENUE SOURCE	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Transient Occupancy Tax	\$ 3,444,990	\$ 3,192,486	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -	\$ 3,242,118	\$ 1,621,059	\$ 1,765,102	54%	\$ 144,043	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -
Sales and Use Tax	2,215,161	2,146,974	1,959,500	-	1,959,500	979,750	1,105,665	56%	125,915	1,959,500	-
Property Tax	1,150,352	1,141,020	1,150,257	-	1,150,257	575,128	236,079	21%	(339,049)	1,150,257	-
Other Taxes	851,622	953,026	903,985	-	903,985	451,993	420,754	47%	(31,238)	903,985	-
Sub Total Tax Revenue	7,662,122	7,433,505	7,255,860	-	7,255,860	3,627,930	3,527,600	49%	(100,330)	7,255,860	-
Licenses & Permits	86,176	94,598	94,293	-	94,293	47,147	39,322	42%	(7,825)	95,493	1,200
Fines and Forfeitures	51,396	53,799	25,100	-	25,100	12,550	4,650	19%	(7,900)	20,050	(5,050)
Intergovernmental	30,089	15,538	30,000	-	30,000	15,000	-	0%	(15,000)	30,000	-
Use of Money/Property	(166,316)	(377,584)	90,000	-	90,000	45,000	387,448	430%	342,448	105,000	15,000
Charges for Services	62,387	91,600	81,343	-	81,343	40,672	53,481	66%	12,809	92,530	11,187
Operating Grant Revenue	133,985	571,569	647,262	81,900	729,162	364,581	394,060	54%	29,479	648,851	(80,311)
Reimbursements	3,333,187	3,764,941	3,380,722	-	3,380,722	1,690,361	1,602,363	47%	(87,998)	3,452,339	71,617
Other Revenue	22,576	143,257	20,200	-	20,200	10,100	20,889	103%	10,789	20,300	100
TOTAL REVENUES	\$11,215,601	\$11,791,224	\$11,624,780	\$ 81,900	\$ 11,706,680	\$ 5,853,340	\$ 6,029,814	52%	\$ 176,474	\$11,720,423	\$ 13,743

The Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget was formulated with the anticipation of potential declines in General Fund and other economically sensitive City fund revenues. This cautious approach reflects an acknowledgment of prevailing economic conditions and aims to maintain conservative budgeting practices while harboring a sense of cautious optimism as economic conditions evolve in 2024.

Transient Occupancy Tax and Sales Tax were forecasted to decline by 6% from the "best year to date" achieved in FY 2021/22. A comprehensive review of all General Fund revenue accounts has been performed

based on activity through the year's first six months. Based on the available data through December, General Fund Tax revenues have continued the strong performance and are anticipated to end the year approximately \$7.3 million in line with budgeted levels due to solid growth in Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT), Franchise tax and Sales Tax categories.

Partially offsetting this tax revenue growth is lower than anticipated Operating Grant Revenues to reimburse staff time administering these grants and carrying out Grant activities. Much of the reimbursable time is for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which includes: the Code Enforcement Program, Business Loans, Fire Station Rehabilitation design work, water meter replacement program, and general administration. Similar to the prior year, these unspent funds will be transferred to the next fiscal year. There are no revenue adjustments included in the Mid-Year Budget Review.

Notable variances in Revenues are listed below.

#### Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Transient Occupancy Tax	\$ 3,444,990	\$ 3,192,486	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -	\$ 3,242,118	\$ 1,621,059	\$ 1,765,102	54%	\$ 144,043	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -

Fort Bragg relies heavily on tourism, which contributes significantly to its revenue, constituting 28% of the total General Fund revenue. In FY 22, Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) experienced a rebound from COVID-19 impacts, achieving its highest performance to date with \$3.4 million in revenue by the end of the fiscal year.

FY 22/23 saw another strong showing for TOT, with an 18% growth of \$186k compared to pre-pandemic levels. However, despite this positive trend, receipts witnessed a 10% decline compared to the exceptional quarter recorded in FY 21/22, as outlined in the historical revenue figures provided. The Adopted Budget for FY 23/24 took a conservative approach, projecting just 1% growth. While July, September, and November revenues surpassed the prior year's figures, the other months experienced a 10% decline. Despite being down 2% compared to the same period last year, revenues have surged by 46% or \$575k compared to pre-pandemic levels. Fort Bragg's economy heavily relies on tourism, which contributes significantly to its revenue, accounting for 28% of the total General Fund revenue. In FY 22, the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) experienced a rebound from the impacts of COVID-19, reaching its highest performance to date with \$3.4 million in revenue by the end of the fiscal year.

Considering the 7% decline experienced in the first two quarters, the results of the third quarter will be crucial in determining whether revenue adjustments are needed, especially if TOT fails to meet budget expectations.

#### Sales Tax:

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Sales and Use Tax	2,215,161	2,146,974	1,959,500	-	1,959,500	979,750	1,105,665	56%	125,915	1,959,500	-

The Sales Tax category includes General Sales Taxes, Local Sales Taxes, and Proposition 172 Sales Taxes.

Inflation accelerated last year as the U.S. economy recovered from the COVID-19 Pandemic. Prices rose as strong consumer demand—stoked by lower interest rates and government stimulus—collided with constrained supply chains and pandemic-related shortages. Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022 further spurred inflation worldwide, hitting food, energy, and other commodity prices.

The ongoing impact of the Federal Reserve's interest rate hikes on the economy remains a topic of concern among many analysts. This rate increases primarily aim to mitigate inflationary pressures by rendering borrowing

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more costly. The intended consequence is reduced spending by households and businesses, potentially resulting in slower wage growth as employers exercise caution in hiring. The Consumer Price Index, increased by 3.7% in September 2023 from the same month a year ago, pulled down by a drop in gasoline prices that was partially offset by higher food costs. The reading was down from 8.3% in August to 9.1% in June, the highest inflation rate in four decades. The CPI measures what consumers pay for goods and services a closely watched inflation gauge, rose 6% in February from a year earlier, down from a 6.4% gain the prior month, according to the Labor Department. It was the smallest increase since September 2021. Inflation has certainly eased from the 9.1% highs in June last year and is expected to fall to 3.1% by the end of 2023 and end in 2024 at 2.4%, which will impact consumer spending habits, particularly when making large purchases.

Locally, Quarter two results were \$1,105,665 (56% of the total budget) in line with Budget projections. Compared to the prior year, Sales Tax was only down 3% but still up 9% compared to Pre-Pandemic, which is optimistic news for the City as this revenue category continues to record gains. All sales tax categories have experienced year-over-year growth, the largest of which includes Food Products, Construction, and transportation. In addition, the County Pool, where most online transactions are captured, has continued to grow. This growth is attributable to the Pandemic's sustained impact of redirecting significant activity to online sales. The recent growth in County Pool receipts has been fueled by online purchases during the Pandemic and is facilitated by the South Dakota vs. Wayfair, Inc. Supreme Court decision in 2018, which provided states with the authority to require online retailers to collect sales tax even without a local presence in that State. The County Pool revenue is distributed to all cities within Mendocino County based on a distribution formula administered by the CDTFA.

#### Reimbursements

REVENUE SOURCE	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Reimbursements	3,333,187	3,764,941	3,380,722	-	3,380,722	1,690,361	1,602,363	47%	(87,998)	3,452,339	71,617

Reimbursements include the annual COPS grant reimbursements for the City's Community Service officers (CSO) costs (\$159k), developer deposit reimbursements (\$35k), and cost allocations transfers (\$993k), which are considered a cost to the Enterprise funds but revenue to the General Fund. At mid-year, actuals totaled \$1.6 million or 47 percent of the budget and are expected to come in over budget by \$72k at the end of the fiscal year due to the timing of some of the reimbursements, the newly approved indirect cost reimbursement from eligible grants and the true-up of hours worked by Staff during the fiscal year per the City's Cost Allocation Plan.

#### Operating Grant Revenues

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Operating Grant Revenue	133,985	571,569	647,262	81,900	729,162	364,581	394,060	54%	29,479	648,851	(80,311)

Operating Grant revenues are currently at 54% of the budgeted amount at mid-year and are projected to end the year \$80,311 below budget. This revenue category primarily consists of staff time reimbursement for administering the City's various grant programs and conducting grant-related activities. A significant portion of the reimbursable time is attributed to the BHJIS Grant for Social Liaison Officers and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), encompassing activities such as the Code Enforcement Program, Business Loans, Fire Station Rehabilitation design work, water meter replacement project, and general administration.

The variance in revenue can primarily be attributed to the timing of reimbursements for certain CDBG Grants and other grants. These unspent grant funds will be carried over and utilized in the next fiscal year. It is noteworthy that the code enforcement department was transferred to the Police Department in the previous

year. Currently, the program employs two code enforcement officers, with the program scheduled to conclude in March 2024.

#### Other taxes

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Other Taxes	851,622	953,026	903,985	-	903,985	451,993	420,754	47%	(31,238)	903,985	-

Franchise Fees are collected in the Cable Television, Solid Waste, and PG&E Electric. Through December, Franchise Fee receipts of \$420k, in line with the mid-term budget and consistent with the prior year's collection level. As further discussed below, Electric and Gas Franchise Fees collected through December are formula-driven advance amounts, with the true-up occurring in April 2023. Based on historical collection trends, it is currently anticipated that overall Franchise Fees will meet or exceed budgeted levels by year-end. Revenues from Cable television franchise fees have slowly declined as more customers move to satellite and internet-based services.

Additionally, the Business License Tax collected was also down by \$18k, which is consistent with the prior year as most Tax is collected during business license renewal season in February and March of each year.

#### STATUS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

General Fund expenditures totaled \$6.7 million for the first half of FY 2023/24, representing 57 percent of the amended annual budget. Appropriations of \$11.5 million were adopted. Throughout the year, budgeted appropriations have increased by \$363k resulting in an amended budget of \$11.9 million. The following chart displays the year-to-date expenditures compared to the prior years.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES											
DEPARTMENT	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
GENERAL											
City Council	\$ 214,276	\$ 224,220	\$ 185,314	\$ -	\$ 185,314	\$ 92,657	\$ 125,222	68%	\$ 32,566	\$ 183,987	1,327
Administrative Services	1,225,232	1,066,104	1,037,505	49,654	1,087,159	543,580	516,580	48%	(27,000)	1,078,732	8,427
Marketing & Promotions	226,875	210,230	240,650	11,808	252,458	126,229	103,647	41%	(22,581)	252,458	-
Finance	536,978	551,250	635,770	2,000	637,770	318,885	335,076	53%	16,192	542,703	95,067
Non-Departmental	985,342	967,992	1,138,196	3,338	1,141,534	570,767	888,306	78%	317,539	1,136,513	5,020
Community Contribution	97,297	70,231	147,588	27,369	174,957	87,479	135,183	77%	47,704	174,957	-
DEBT SERVICE	547,580	3,793,587	556,303	-	556,303	278,151	124,770	22%	(153,382)	555,971	331
COMMUNITY DEVELOP	365,418	420,928	443,898	6,897	450,795	225,397	291,873	65%	66,476	429,844	20,950
PUBLIC SAFETY											
Police Department	3,891,473	3,485,290	4,169,509	3,377	4,172,886	2,086,443	1,964,812	47%	(121,631)	4,040,908	131,978
Social Services	-	134,556	313,862	78,000	391,862	195,931	195,818	50%	(113)	387,755	4,107
Fire Department	434,423	430,755	453,708	-	453,708	226,854	339,658	75%	112,804	449,099	4,609
PUBLIC WORKS											
Administration & Engine	679,782	684,218	934,012	156,395	1,090,407	545,204	399,281	37%	(145,922)	962,676	127,732
Parks and Facilities	36,479	50,505	40,000	-	40,000	20,000	21,154	53%	1,154	40,000	-
Street Maintenance	124,497	119,863	142,000	23,878	165,878	82,939	51,113	31%	(31,826)	165,878	-
Storm Drains	12,681	13,415	25,500	-	25,500	12,750	7,539	30%	(5,211)	24,067	1,433
Corporation Yard	494,217	481,227	380,483	-	380,483	190,241	248,407	65%	58,166	449,345	(68,862)
Traffic and Safety	24,873	84,488	39,500	1,078	40,578	20,289	10,579	26%	(9,710)	40,578	- 1
COST ALLOCATION	789,396	1,222,680	656,999	-	656,999	328,499	985,498	150%	656,999	656,999	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$10,686,818	\$14,011,539	\$11,540,795	\$ 363,793	\$ 11,904,589	\$ 5,952,294	\$ 6,744,518	57%	\$ 792,223	\$11,572,470	\$ 332,118

Some of the notable variances in expenditures include:

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- The Finance department is projected to end the year at \$95,067 under budget primarily due to salary savings from the vacant Finance Director position vacated in January 2024, and the Accountant position vacant from December 2023. As of mid-year, the department budget is \$335k, or 53 percent of the amended budget.
- The Non-Departmental category records expenditures not associated with a specific department of the City. These include Retiree Medical costs, Insurance costs, Utilities, and OPEB funding, to name a few. Year-to-date actuals are at 78% of the annual budget and are projected to end the fiscal year with a positive variance of \$6,020. The costs of REMIF liability and property premium payments paid in the first quarter were much lower than anticipated. Conversely, utility costs increased by 10%, and retiree medical were up by 3% from the adopted budget.

Additionally, a budget of \$150k has been set aside to be contributed to Section 115 to accumulate and invest funds to smooth the impacts of future pension cost increases. A total of \$1.6 million has been invested into the trust.

- The second half of the fiscal year will see the payment of \$442,513 for the 2021 Lease Revenue Bond and \$113,790 for Caspar Landfill closure costs. It's worth noting that the return of the \$3.5 million Debt-2021 Lease revenue bonds in August 2022 significantly reduced the City's debt from \$11.4 million to \$7.9 million, thereby reducing future annual debt payments.
- The Police Department has been actively addressing vacancies in both sworn and community service officer positions. During Quarter Two, the department successfully filled a vacant sergeant position, two officer positions, and one community service officer position. Looking ahead, plans are in place to send another recruit to the academy in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. Due to these vacancies, the Department is projected to finish the fiscal year under budget by \$151,978, offset by increases in the department's overtime and comp time budget. A budget amendment is requested to use the salary savings to offset the increases in overtime/comp costs.

Included in the police department is Project Right Now of \$345,000 grant from the Youth Opioid Resistance Fund, allocated for a full-time position and a success coach. This grant, received in the last quarter of the prior fiscal year, is set to expire in the upcoming quarter. Furthermore, the Care Response unit, which falls under the public safety department, is another grant-funded program. The program received funding through 2025 via an expansion of the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) grant acquired in 2022. Notably, the Care Response unit has proven successful in delivering services and resources to address homelessness and mental health issues in the community, directly assisting over 300 community members in 2023.

The Code Enforcement Program, bolstered by \$418,457 in Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), sustains two code enforcement grant officer positions. However, this funding is slated to conclude in the third quarter. The City is currently assessing if there is an alternative funding option for the program's continuity and will present a recommendation to the City Council accordingly. General fund salary savings will fund the program through the end of the fiscal year.

At mid-year, the Community Development Department has utilized 65% of the amended budget due to professional services overages and anticipates ending the fiscal year under budget by \$21k. This is attributed to personnel cost savings resulting from the vacancy in the Director position. Plans are underway to commence recruitment for a full-time Community Development Director or a Senior Planner in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. In the interim, the department has extended the contract of Marie Jones Consulting to fulfill planning obligations.

- The Public Works department made operational changes by replacing the Project Analyst position with an Administrative position. This adjustment resulted in annual savings of approximately \$30,000, which were reallocated to support the addition of a full-time Engineering Technician, increasing the department's full-time equivalents (FTEs) to eight. Furthermore, the special projects manager position was transferred to the public works department in the previous fiscal year. The projected budget surplus is \$117,732, primarily attributed to a budget amendment during the fiscal year of \$78k to add the two new positions-charging out employee salaries allocation to the enterprise department for the engineering technician. Despite this surplus, the department's workload has remained busy, particularly with the \$70 million water projects scheduled for the next three years.
- The Corporation yard department is made up of eight employees. A mid-year budget request for \$20,000 to accommodate the addition of a Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Maintenance Worker. With an annual cost of \$74,000, this position will be instrumental in addressing the City's many backlog maintenance tasks, including parks, street signs, curb painting (10ft to 20ft), guest house museum, and other storm drain activities. The estimated year-end variance is attributed to the allocation of Maintenance work time which should be charged to the enterprise. This will be addressed during the Q3.

#### **GENERAL FUND NET RESULT AND FUND BALANCE**

With projected revenues totaling \$11.7 million and total expenditures at \$11.5 million, the General Fund is expected to conclude FY 2024 with a surplus of \$163,952. This surplus will bolster the General Fund's balance to \$2.8 million, representing a 1% increase compared to the previous year. It's worth noting that although the projected surplus is modest, expenditures, particularly personnel costs, have reverted to pre-COVID levels. Additionally, additional staff has been hired across all departments including filling Director positions except for the Community Development and Finance Department, which is slated to be filled soon.

Moving forward into the next fiscal year, there will be increased pressure on the top tax revenue categories, specifically Transient Occupancy Tax and Sales Tax, to accommodate General Fund costs, particularly personnel expenses.

In the prior fiscal year, an initial investment of \$1.6 million was deposited into the Section 115 trust with PARS. While this investment decreased the General Fund reserves, there is an additional budget allocated for the Section 115 Trust.

Beginning Reserves	\$	FY 2023-24 Budget 2,695,591	\$	FY 2023-24 Projected 2,695,591
Revenues Expenditures Net Transfers		11,624,780 (11,540,795) -		11,720,423 (11,572,470)
Surplus/(Deficit) Ending Committed Reserves	\$ <b>\$</b>	83,985 <b>2,779,576</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	147,952 <b>2,843,543</b>
Committed Reserves as a % of Operating		24%		25%

#### **Committed Reserves**

Operating Reserves	2,095,784
Recession Reserves	547,759
Litigation Reserves	200,000
	\$2,843,543

## WATER ENTERPRISE FUND

The Water Enterprise rate structure is operating as intended, effectively supporting all operational needs, maintaining the operating reserve, servicing debt obligations, and accumulating funds for infrastructure upgrades, replacements, and maintenance. At the close of Fiscal Year 2023, there was an annual net position increase to \$16.7 million.

According to fiscal policy guidelines, the operating reserve is established at 25% of the prior year's operating expense, resulting in a set reserve of \$342k for Fiscal Year 2023. Additionally, the Enterprise fund has established a recession reserve of \$100k, equivalent to 5% of the Fund's operating budget.

The capital reserve recorded an increase of \$153k, reaching a total of \$4.7 million. The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Water Enterprise outlines a total of \$85.9 million for identified capital projects over the next five years, with funding sourced from Grants and Enterprise capital reserves. With these resources in place, the Fund is well-equipped to advance numerous projects outlined in the FY 24 budget, as detailed on page 203.

### **REVENUES**

User fees entirely support Water Enterprise Fund revenues. As of the end of the second quarter, revenues surpassed expectations by \$232k, reaching 58% of the budget. Previous water restrictions impacted revenue collection; however, with ample rainfall in the state, no restrictions are anticipated for the upcoming summer months. Projections indicate a year-end total revenue of \$3.1 million, reflecting a 2 percent increase from the prior fiscal year. This increase is attributed to higher consumption levels, aligning more closely with pre-COVID totals. In the fourth quarter, a Request for Proposal will be issued for water and wastewater rates.

				WA	TER ENTERI	PRISE					
	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Operating Revenue	\$ 3,005,288	\$ 3,018,464	\$ 3,050,060	\$ -	\$ 3,050,060	\$ 1,525,030	\$ 1,758,027	58%	\$ 232,997	\$ 3,050,060	\$ -
Capacity Fees	44,837	91,608	50,000	-	50,000	25,000	5,425	11%	(19,575)	15,000	(35,000)
Grants Received	640,664	-	-		-		-			-	-
Miscellaneous	44,837	63,639	60,100	-	60,100	30,050	11,004	18%	(19,046)	41,000	(19,100)
Total Revenue	3,735,626	3,173,710	3,160,160	-	3,160,160	1,580,080	1,774,456	56%	194,376	3,106,060	(54,100)
Personnel services	1,039,332	1,175,299	1,192,854	-	1,192,854	596,427	584,941	49%	(11,486)	1,165,726	27,128
Administration	683,735	700,106	473,565	-	473,565	236,782	234,576	50%	(2,206)	473,565	-
Repairs & maintenance	52,440	36,575	44,500	1,378	45,878	22,939	27,326	60%	4,387	45,878	-
Materials & supplies	169,901	368,037	291,448	-	291,448	145,724	103,721	36%	(42,003)	262,948	28,500
Utilities	147,423	174,940	175,000	-	175,000	87,500	91,501	52%	4,001	175,000	-
Contractual services	93,135	90,394	93,000	29,258	122,258	61,129	18,560	15%	(42,569)	112,258	10,000
Insurance	31,351	50,151	62,689	-	62,689	31,344	53,392	85%	22,048	62,689	-
Other operating	35,035	6,415	10,500	-	10,500	5,250	677	6%	(4,573)	10,500	-
Interest/Debt Service *	55,434	67,764	65,289	-	340,080	170,040	294,689	87%	124,649	340,080	-
Depreciation **	364,752	364,563	-		-	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	2,672,538	3,034,244	2,408,844	30,636	2,714,272	1,357,136	1,409,384	52%	52,248	2,648,644	65,628
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ 1,063,088	\$ 139,467	\$ 751,316		\$ 445,888	\$ 222,944	\$ 365,073	82%	\$ 142,128	\$ 457,416	11,528

<sup>\*</sup> Audited results do not include payment of principal which is not an expense in full accrual accounting

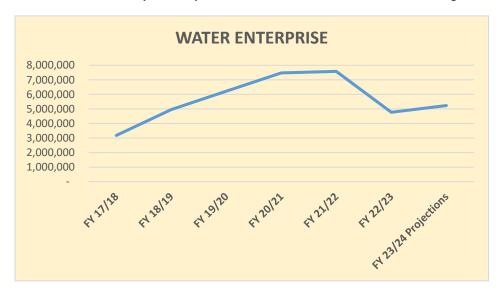
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#### **EXPENDITURES**

Water Enterprise's expenses for the first half of FY 2024 totaled \$1.4 million, 58% of the amended annual budget. The projected year-end total is \$2.3 million, \$41k under budget.

- At mid-year, Debt Service is 87% of the total annual budget. Principal payments are paid in October and a second smaller interest payment is in April. The adopted budget includes the final loan payment of \$337k for the 2014 Revenue refunding bond which will be paid off this fiscal year.
- Repairs and Maintenance are 60% of the adopted and are forecasted to end the fiscal year at budget levels.
  - Most of these repair costs were undertaken in the first half of the year.
- No other significant variances are expected in other enterprise expense category at year-end.

During the summer months of 2019-2022, the City faced significant water shortage challenges. To address these issues, City Staff proactively pursued alternative plans, such as implementing the Desalination Unit in 2021 and exploring alternative water sources and storage options, including the acquisition of the Highway 20 property. Furthermore, the installation of new water meters, funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), will enhance the City's ability to detect leaks and monitor water usage in real time.



Projected revenues of \$3.1 million and expenses of \$2.6 million are anticipated for the Water Enterprise in FY 2022/23. With staff projections factored in, the Enterprise is expected to conclude the fiscal year with a net position of \$13.2 million and reserves totaling \$5.2 million.

The Enterprise Capital Reserve allocates \$3.3 million for various Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs), including \$812k for the Pudding Creek water main, \$850k for the Distribution system, \$500k for the raw water reservoir, \$300k for the extended water system north, and \$750k for the reclamation design.

In the previous fiscal year, the Enterprise fund acquired over 582 acres of property from the Mendocino Coast Recreation Park District for \$2,420,579. This purchase will contribute to a reduction of reserves by \$5.2 million in total. Staff remains proactive in securing Grant funds to support identified CIP projects, utilizing capital reserves for matching funds as needed. For a comprehensive list of scheduled Capital Improvement Projects for the Water Enterprise, please refer to pages 205-213 of the Adopted Budget.

# **WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

The Wastewater Enterprise rate structure is functioning as designed and continues to fund all operations, maintain the operating reserve, provide for debt, and accumulate funds for infrastructure upgrades, replacements, and maintenance. The fiscal Year 2023 ended with an annual net position decrease of \$1.2 million to \$22.8 million. Per policy, the operating reserve is set at 25% of the prior year's operating expense, and for the Fiscal year 2024 was set at \$625k.

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						Pro Rated					
	Audited	Audited		Approved		Budget as		Mid-Year			Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Net Budget	Amended	of	YTD Actual		•		Surplus/
	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	%	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Operating Revenue 407	\$ 3,477,367	\$ 3,390,904	\$3,391,756	\$ -	\$ 3,391,756	\$ 1,695,878	\$ 2,019,411	60%	\$ 323,533	\$ 3,395,756	\$ 4,000
Capacity Fees 415	112,468	44,221	120,000		120,000	60,000	68,374	57%	8,374	127,000	7,000
Miscellaneous Revenue 416	20,319	181,799	20,000		20,000	10,000	9,500	48%	(500)	20,000	-
Total Revenue	3,610,153	3,616,924	3,531,756		3,531,756	1,765,878	2,097,285	59%	323,533	3,542,756	4,000
Personnel services	693,885	971,400	759,353	-	759,353	379,676	412,158	54%	32,481	737,852	21,500
Administration	1,225,605	1,430,931	713,395	-	713,395	356,697	355,631	50%	(1,067)	709,395	4,000
Repairs & maintenance	175,875	95,853	142,750	25,696	168,446	84,223	89,021	53%	4,798	139,446	29,000
Materials & supplies	292,245	509,283	298,894	119,821	418,715	209,358	146,629	35%	(62,729)	417,815	900
Utilities	222,967	305,844	300,000	-	300,000	150,000	196,785	66%	46,785	300,000	-
Contractual services	360,280	446,764	411,701	303,775	715,476	357,738	167,345	23%	(190,393)	715,476	-
Insurance	49,798	56,506	70,633	-	70,633	35,316	112,645	159%	77,329	112,645	(42,012)
Interest/Debt Service * 506	95,650	93,850	92,010	-	92,010	46,005	-	0%	(46,005)	92,010	-
Depreciation **	829,815	816,894	-		-	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	3,946,121	4,727,326	2,788,736	449,293	3,238,028	1,619,014	1,480,213	46%	(138,801)	3,224,640	13,388
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (335,967)	\$(1,110,402)	\$ 743,021	\$ (449,293)	\$ 293,728	\$ 146,864	\$ 617,072		\$ 462,334	\$ 318,116	24,388

<sup>\*</sup> Audited results do not include payment of principal which is not an expense in full accrual accounting

### **REVENUES**

Like the Water Enterprise fund, the projected year-end revenue for the current fiscal year is estimated to be \$3.5 million or approximately \$4k more than the original adopted budget but down from the prior year by 2%. The septic dumping station recorded a \$7k increase in operating revenues for the Fund.

### **EXPENDITURES**

Wastewater Enterprise expenses totaled \$1.4 million, 46% percent of the amended annual budget. The projected year-end total is \$3.2 million, which is approximately \$13k less than the budget:

- At year-end personnel, services are expected to be approximately \$21k under budget, mainly due to savings in personnel costs from benefits in a couple of positions.
- At the close of the fiscal year, the Non-Routine Maintenance division anticipates being under budget by approximately \$29k for materials and supplies. However, CIRA insurance costs are projected to reach \$112k, exceeding the budget by \$42k. This increase is attributed to the actual costs incurred for the wastewater treatment plant, which was completed in 2021.

With projected revenues of \$3.5 million and expenses of \$3.2 million, Staff projects the Wastewater Enterprise to end FY 2024 with a net position of \$26.1 million and reserves of \$2.1 million. The decline in reserves in fiscal year FY 17/18 is a result of the Wastewater treatment plant construction in addition to grant funds- seen below.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Depreciation Expense is not budgeted and therefore not included in calculation of budget variance



During the budget development, Staff identified a list of Capital Improvements Program (CIP) of \$16.6 million needed to improve the Fund's infrastructure. A collection system rehab of \$12 million is planned for FY 2024/25, with \$1.5 million of Capital improvements budgeted for this fiscal year.

## CV STARR ENTERPRISE FUND

The C.V. Starr Community Center and Sigrid & Harry Spath Aquatic Facility (C.V. Starr Center) represent a comprehensive 43,000-square-foot establishment. This multifaceted facility features an indoor water park, fitness and exercise rooms, weight rooms, and meeting spaces available for community use. The surrounding grounds complement the Center's offerings with amenities such as a dog park, Skateboard Park, and petanque courts. Ownership of the C.V. Starr Center lies with the City, and its operational, maintenance, and capital improvement costs are partially mitigated through restricted sales tax and property tax revenues. These dedicated funds are specifically allocated to the C.V. Starr Enterprise Fund, ensuring a financial framework to support the ongoing success of the facility.

The city has engaged in a contractual arrangement with the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Parks District (MCRPD) for the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the C.V. Starr Center. However, a significant development occurred in August 2023 when the MCRPD Board issued notice to terminate the operating agreement. The MCRPD allowed for a 6-month transition to facilitate a smooth transition. In response to this change, the CV Starr Ad-Hoc Committee, in collaboration with City Staff, has diligently formulated a comprehensive plan. The C.V. Starr Center has transitioned into City operations in February 2024. This strategic plan ensures the continued provision of services and facilities to the community, aligning with the City's commitment to its residents' well-being and recreational needs.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2022	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Operating Revenue		\$ 599,048	\$ 596,248	\$ -	\$ 596,248	\$ 298,124	\$ 363,373	61%	\$ 65,249	\$ 626,746	30,497
Sales Tax	1,211,340	1,175,441	1,199,769		1,199,769	599,885	616,476	51%	16,591	1,199,769	-
Property Tax	268,596	305,258	283,127		283,127	141,563	167,899	59%	26,336	283,127	-
Other Income	982,537	111,910	40,000		40,000	20,000	2,457	6%	(17,543)	40,000	-
Total Revenue	2,462,473	2,191,657	2,119,144	-	2,119,144	1,059,572	1,150,205	54%	90,633	2,149,642	30,497
Personnel Costs	826,436	1,168,544	1,439,777	-	1,439,777	719,888	646,116	45%	(73,773)	1,312,850	126,927
Operations	267,253	358,038	172,411	-	172,411	86,206	60,616	35%	(25,590)	155,231	17,180
Repairs & maintenance	5,451	46,441	60,000	7,247	67,247	33,624	25,514	38%	(8,109)	55,000	12,247
Utilities	321,693	365,941	350,000	-	350,000	175,000	187,367	54%	12,367	350,000	-
Professional Services	19,900	56,986	35,419	15,000	50,419	25,210	29,825	59%	4,616	67,500	(17,081)
Insurance	-	60,229	30,208	-	30,208	15,104	13,895	46%	(1,209)	30,208	-
Depreciation **	=	650,590	-		-	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	1,440,733	2,706,769	2,087,814	22,247	2,110,061	1,055,031	963,333	46%	(91,698)	1,970,788	139,273
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ 1,021,740	\$ (515,112)	\$ 31,330	\$ (22,247)	\$ 9,083	\$ 4,542	\$ 186,872	2057%	\$ 182,331	\$ 178,854	169,770
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Capital Improvements	-	5,996	1,678,226	306,176	1,992,402	996,201	166,679	8%	(829,522)	405,982	1,586,420

Revenue from general admissions includes fees collected from drop-in visits, membership sales, and other admissions. The Center faced closures during the COVID-19 pandemic, affecting membership sign-ups and

drop-in visits. Safety measures such as continued mask usage (except in the pool area), closure of showers to minimize unmasked time, and capacity restrictions during Open Swim and Swim Slide Splash sessions contributed to this revenue shortfall.

Despite these challenges, membership revenue and general admissions have rebounded, reaching 61% by the end of the second quarter since reopening. Additionally, rate increases approved by the City Council in the second quarter, effective January 2024, are expected to



generate an estimated \$90k in additional revenue. It is gratifying to note that our sales tax figures are in line

with quarterly budget projections, indicating that we are on track to meet our overall budget expectations of \$1.2 million.

Property tax funds are typically received in the third quarter of the fiscal year, aligning with our budget planning and contributing to the overall financial well-being of the Center.

## **Cost cutting Measures**

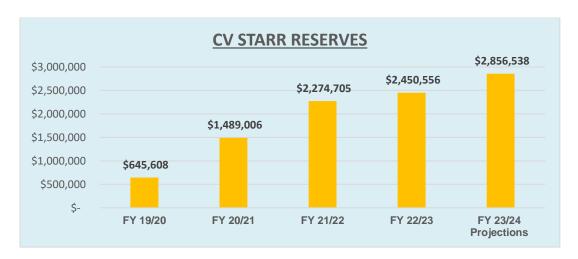
Since assuming management of the Center, the City of Fort Bragg has embarked on several cost-saving initiatives to enhance operational efficiency and drive membership growth. A significant step was the consolidation of fitness class offerings from 70 to 27, ensuring a more financially sustainable program.

Additionally, fitness instructors—excluding those certified in Silver Sneakers—have transitioned from employee status to independent contractors. This move aims to uphold instructional quality while enhancing cost-effectiveness. Plans are in progress to expand class offerings under this revised model.

To further streamline operations, staffing needs were meticulously evaluated across departments, resulting in certain positions transitioning to part-time roles or remaining vacant in Guest Services and Administration. Moreover, due to staffing shortages, the Center temporarily suspended operations on Sundays, yielding personnel cost savings equivalent to 45% of the personnel budget at mid-year.

Efforts are underway to recruit lifeguards to fill at least five vacant part-time positions, ensuring seamless operations seven days a week, including holidays, and upholding safety standards. In July 2024, eleven full-time employees will begin receiving City benefits (Dental, Medical, Vision, and CalPERS), with these costs factored into the Fiscal Year 2025 budget development.

A mid-year budget amendment of \$24,851 is proposed for IT network upgrades, focusing on monitoring and security, as well as a new Wi-Fi system at the Center. These expenses will be offset by savings in other expense categories such as Operations and Repairs and Maintenance, which are anticipated to end the fiscal year under budget due to cost-saving measures. As we progress through the fiscal year, we remain committed to prudent financial management, ensuring that our budget allocations align with our operational needs and strategic goals.



The CV Starr reserves are expected to reach \$2,856,538 by the end of the fiscal year, reflecting a notable increase of \$405,982. However, the Center has allocated \$2.6 million for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects over the next four years, which is anticipated to deplete the reserves. In response, the City is proactively pursuing grants to mitigate these expenses and alleviate the financial burden on the CV Starr reserves.

# **INTERNAL SERVICE: FACILITIES REPAIR & MAINTENANCE**

Internal Service Funds-Facilities fund accounts for the maintenance of all City-owned buildings.

	ISF-FACILITIES													
	Audit FY 202 Actu	1/22	Audited FY 2022/2	3	FY 21/22 Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)	
Operating Revenue	\$	4,143	\$ 16,21	L6	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 250	\$ 250	50%	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	
Interdepartmental Charges	20	0,959	288,54	18	210,000	-	210,000	105,000	105,000	50%	-	210,000	-	
TOTAL REVENUES	20	5,101	304,76	54	210,500	-	210,500	105,250	105,250	50%	-	210,500	-	
Personnel Services	10	5,998	186,90	)7	105,998	-	105,998	52,999	52,999	50%	-	105,998	-	
Repairs & Maintenance	1	5,601	22,46	59	22,500	-	22,500	11,250	4,549	20%	(6,701)	16,000	6,500	
Depreciation		-	6,80	00	-		-		-			-		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	12	1,600	216,17	76	128,498	-	128,498	64,249	57,548	45%	(6,701)	121,998	6,500	
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ 8	3,501	\$ 88,58	38	\$ 82,002	\$ -	\$ 82,002	\$ 41,001	\$ 47,702	58%	\$ 6,701	\$ 88,502	6,500	

- No significant revenue variances are expected.
- The repairs and maintenance schedule are listed below, with a \$22,500 maintenance budget. Due to staffing, only the park bathrooms, fencing for Noyo Headlands Park, and miscellaneous repairs and maintenance will be undertaken this year- most of the scheduled work will be moved to the next fiscal year, with the rest of the projects to be evaluated during the FY 2025 Budget process and moved to the next fiscal year.



## **FACILITY ISF 10-YEAR MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

MAJOR PROJECTS/REPLACEMEN	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31	Annual Average	General Fund	Water Enterpris e	Wastewat er Enterprise
City Hall	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,250	625	313	313
City Hall East	4,000	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	938	938	-	-
Fort Building	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Town Hall	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	429	214	107	107
Fire Station, Main St	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fire Station, Hwy 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guest House	-	-	-	-	-	-	110,000	-	500	500	-	-
Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,143	3,143	-	-
Noyo Headlands Park	4,500	-	30,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	8,214	8,214	-	-
Pomo Bluffs Park	9,000	-	-	-	-	40,000	-	-	1,125	1,125	-	-
Noyo Beach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corp Yard	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harbor Lite Trail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL major projects	22,500	8,500	30,000	8,000	-	40,000	110,000	-	15,598	14,759	420	420
General Repairs Facilities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL preventative maintenand	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING NEED	\$22,500	\$8,500	\$30,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$110,000	\$0	\$15,598	\$14,759	\$420	\$420

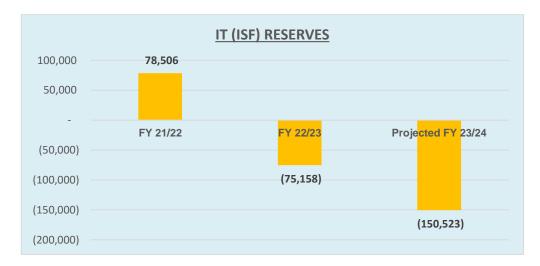
Note: CIP projects that are designated in the "Beyond CIP" category have all been placed in 6th year of the ISF, FY 2023/24

# INTERNAL SERVICE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information technology accounts for all activities of the City's computer networks, the costs of which are distributed among user departments using equitable formulas.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	FY 21/22 Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)			
Interdepartmental Charges	497,457	577,972	612,088	-	612,088	306,044	306,044	50%	-	612,088	-			
TOTAL REVENUES	497,457	577,972	612,088	-	612,088	306,044	306,044	50%	-	612,088	-			
Personnel Services	101,970	176,260	228,798	-	228,798	114,399	125,060	55%	10,661	228,692	106			
Repairs & Maintenance	1,964	1,862	4,200	-	4,200	2,100	451	0%	(1,649)	4,200	-			
Materials & Supplies	415,508	314,469	425,785	-	425,785	212,893	197,337	46%	(15,556)	461,361	(35,576)			
Contractual Services	390	-	50,000	-	50,000	25,000	4,500	0%	(20,500)	21,200	28,800			
Depreciation	15,450	16,081	-	-	-		-	0%		-	-			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	535,282	508,672	708,783	-	708,783	354,392	327,347	46%	(27,044)	715,453	(6,670)			
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (37,825)	\$ 69,299	\$ (96,695)	\$ -	\$ (96,695)	\$ (48,348)	\$ (21,303)	22%	\$ 27,044	\$ (103,365)	(6,670)			

- No significant variances are expected in the revenue category.
- The Materials and Supplies account covers all expenses related to IT software and hardware essential for maintaining the City's computer networks. Projections indicate that expenditures for this category will surpass the budget by \$35,576 by the end of the fiscal year. This increase reflects the doubling of the City's IT budget over the past two fiscal years, driven by the escalating number of cyber threats targeting organizations globally, irrespective of their size or type. As part of the mid-year Budget request, we are seeking approval to purchase hardware servers for \$29,965, a Cisco XDR system for \$4,462, and make the final payment of \$14,272 for our phone systems.
- Contractual services, are projected to end the year under budget, due to the postponing of work to the next fiscal year. These savings are recommended to offset some of the overages in materials and supplies.



# **INTERNAL SERVICE: FLEET**

Fleet and Equipment services account for all activities of the City's central garage operations, the costs of which are distributed among designated user departments using equitable formulas.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	FY 23/24 Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %		Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Interdepartmental Charges	342,308	962,994	479,513	-	479,513	239,757	239,757	50%	-	479,513	-
Reimbursements	-	198	5,000		5,000	2,500	2,500	0%	-	106,316	101,316
TOTAL REVENUES	342,308	963,192	479,513	-	484,513	242,257	242,257	50%	-	585,829	(101,316)
Personnel Services	150,409	139,004	132,280	-	132,280	66,140	78,605	59%	12,465	132,280	
Repairs & Maintenance	51,986	72,845	52,000	-	52,000	26,000	38,630	74%	12,630	87,000	(35,000)
Materials, Fuel & Supplies	99,586	83,155	92,300	-	92,300	46,150	55,328	60%	9,178	102,300	(10,000)
Vehicles	221,526	-	195,000	68,086	263,086	131,543	134,931	51%	3,388	263,086	-
Contractual Services	439	1,797	1,000	-	1,000	500	-	0%	(500)	800	200
Depreciation	69,881	110,391	-		-		-	0%		-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	593,826	407,193	472,580	68,086	540,667	270,333	307,494	57%	37,161	585,467	(44,800)
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (251,518)	\$ 556,000	\$ 6,933	\$ (68,086)	\$ (56,154)	\$ (28,077)	\$ (65,238)	116%	\$ (37,161)	\$ 362	56,516

- USDA Grant Reimburses the City for 50 percent of the vehicle cost. Staff will be applying for the reimbursement of PD vehicles purchased, amounting to \$29,954, and asset forfeiture reimbursements for upfit costs. Total projections for reimbursements from the two funding sources will be \$106,316.
- Fuel prices have once again risen in January and February 2024. With the City's average fuel cost standing at approximately \$8,630 per month, fuel expenses are expected to exceed the budget by \$10,000. A budget request has been submitted to cover these overages.



Vehicle repairs and maintenance average monthly cost is about \$5,150 annually. During the first two quarters, the mechanic repaired the Vactor Truck which incurred unanticipated costs for truck rental and repairs. This expense category is at 74% of the Budget. A budget amendment request of \$35,000 is requested to ensure there are enough funds to cover ongoing repairs and maintenance.

### **RESERVES**

Projected revenues for the Fleet Internal Service Fund are estimated at \$586,000, with expenses totaling \$585,000. This will result in the fund ending the fiscal year with a reserve balance of \$177,313. During the budget development for the next fiscal year, staff will conduct a thorough review of the replacement plan schedule to ensure there are adequate operating revenues to fund the replacement of city vehicles. Additionally, aside from USDA reimbursements, Asset Forfeiture funds can be utilized as an eligible source to cover upfit costs for Police Department vehicles.

# **BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS AT MID-YEAR**

Staff is requesting the following budget adjustments at mid-year. Today, the Council will not be asked to take official action on these requests. However, if the Council agrees, Staff will bring the adjustments back at a future Council meeting, where they will be included on the consent calendar for approval.

		FY:	2023	/24 Requ		Term Budge	t Adjustments	<u> </u>
Account Number	Account Description	Department		urrent	Budget Amendment Request	Adjusted Budget	Justification	Funding Source
			ı		GENERA	L FUND		
XPENDITURES								
10-4190-0356	Charge Point	Non-Departmental	\$	3,000		7,300	ChargePoint Expenses - damaged equipment	
10-4190-0360	Property Premiun	Non-Departmental		87,331	(4,300)	83,031	Reduce Budget, Cost Savings based on actuals	
		Net		90,331	-	90,331		
Public Works								
10-4330-0310	Engineering	Public Works	\$	27,041	\$ 9,000	\$ 36,041	Fire Station Contract for surveying, Amount exceeds C	DBG funding available
10-4330-0211	Medical Premium	Public Works		149,536	(9,000)	140,536	Reduce Budget- Salary/Cost savings	
10-4570-0101	Salaries & Wages -Corp yard			207,325	20,000	227,325	Add a FTE-Maintenace Worker 1 position (Q4), Elimin	ate Seasonal Position
10-4330-0101	Salaries & Wages -Engineerin		\$	703,384	\$ (20,000)	683,384	Reduce Budget- Salary savings	
		Net	1	,087,286	-	1,087,286		
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10-4200-0101	Salaries & Wages	Police Department	\$ 1	,976,398	\$ (122,680)	1,853,718	Salary Savings	
10-4200-0102	Overtime	Police Department		84,837	81,151	165,988	Increase to Overtime Budget, due to unfilled positions	
10-4200-0103	Comp Time	Police Department		34,043	41,529	75,572	Increase to Comp Time Budget, due to unfilled position	ns
10-4200-0366 10-4200-0367	Training/Travel Reimb PD Recruit Training	Police Department Police Department		35,000 40,000	20,000 (20,000)	55,000 20,000	Increase to Training & Travel Budget	lomy in fourth quarter
10-4200-0307	r D Recluit Hairling	Net		40,000	\$ -	20,000	Reduce Budget, Cost Savings, sending recruit to Acad	lerriy irriourirr quarter.
community Dev	elopment				•			
10-4320-0101	Salaries & Wages	CDD	\$	310,933	\$ (30,000)	\$ 280,933	Reduce Budget Salary Savings	
10-4320-0319	Professional Services	CDD		18,897	30,000	48,897	Planning Consultant - Increase contract	
				329,830	-	329,830		
inance/Adminis	stration							
10-4130-0319	Professional Services	Administration		60,462	40,000	\$ 100,462	City of Fort Bragg Strategic Plan/Goal Setting 2024-20	)29
10-4150-0101	Salaries & Wages	Finance		366,345	(40,000)	\$ 326,345	Reduce Budget- Salary/Cost savings unfilled position	
		Net	\$	329,830	\$ -	\$ 329,830		
					ASTEWATER	ENTERPRISE	_	
10-4712-0360	Insurance	Wastewater	\$	70,632	\$ 42,012	\$ 112,644	Property Insurance * Pay with Budget savings	
10-4712-0231	Workers compensation	Wastewater		43,888	(19,375)	24,513	Cost savings in workers compensation (actuals)	
10-4712-0376	Medical Safety Supplies	Wastewater		7,000	(4,000)	3,000	Cost savings based on YTD and projections for the re	maining quarter
10-4712-0366	Training and Travel	Wastewater		6,000	(5,000)	1,000	Cost savings based on YTD and projections for the re	maining quarter
10-4712-0220	Pers	Wastewater	\$	93,978	\$ (25,592)		Cost savings in PERS (actuals)	
		Net	\$	70,632	\$ (11,955)			
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10-4812-4111	IT Costs			25,496	24,581 (4,000)	50,077 4,000	IT Costs to improve Network and CV Starr	
10-4812-0365 810-4812-0343	Printing & Copying			8,000 25,000	5,000	30,000	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2 Increase in chemical costs	
	Pool Side Supplies			9,300	(4,000)	5,300	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	
10-4815-0375	General Supplies			4,000	(3,000)	1,000	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	
10-4812-0311	Legal Costs			2,000	5,000	7,000	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	
10-4812-0366	Training and Travel			9,000	(6,000)	3,000	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	
10-4812-0351	Equipment Repair and Maint			5,000	(5,000)	-	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	
10-4815-0373 10-4815-0751	License and permits CV Starr CIP		1	8,000 1,992,402	(5,000) (1,586,420)	3,000 405,982	Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2 HVAC System engineering only this fiscal year.	
10-4613-0731	CV Stall CIF	Net			\$(1,586,420) \$(1,578,839)		TVAC System engineering only this listal year.	
		ivet	ΨΖ			NOLOGY - ISF	(524)	
21 4204 0204	Licensing, Software & Maint	п	\$	313,673				Operating Appropriation
21-4394-0384	-	П	Ψ	50,000		\$ 332,407 21,200	Cisco XDR \$4,462.50, Phone \$14,272	Operating Appropriation
21-4394-0319 21-4394-0382	Professional Services			55,392	(28,800)	85,357	Reduce Budget, postpone project to next fiscal year.  Hardware Server \$29,965.42	
<u> </u>	Hardware Expenses	Π	\$	419,065	29,965 \$ 19,899			
			, <del>,</del> _	,000	FLEET- I			
22-4550-0352	Vehicle Repairs	Fleet -ISF				· '	Unanticipated Vac truck repairs and rental. Monthy parts	
	vonicio repairs	1 1001 -101	\$	40,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 75,000	and repair avg. \$5,150.	
22-4550-0382	Fuel & Lubricants	Fleet -ISF	\$	90,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 100,000	Increases in fuel costs	
			\$	130,000				
							CIAL DEVENUES	
		<u>CAP</u>	'II AL	<u>IMPROVE</u>	MENT PROGE	KAM (CI <u>P)/SPE</u>	CIAL REVENUES	
51-6007-0310	Raw Water Line Replacement		ITAL	IMPROVE 871,558	MENT PROGR 81,429	952,987	CIAL REVENUES	

## LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

Long-term financial planning is an important tool used to help maintain ongoing financial sustainability and helps governments provide a consistent level of services to their citizens. The General Fund Financial forecast is intended to be a tool that provides a rational forecast of where the City's financial position will be in five years. Staff annually updates a five-year General Fund financial forecast to evaluate the City's financial condition and help develop the City's Budget.

### **Economic Trends**

It caps off a year in which the economy defied expectations that it would plunge into recession. The economic outlook for the United States through 2024 suggests that the actions of the Federal Reserve will play a crucial role in shaping the pace of economic growth. The substantial growth in real GDP during the last quarter of 2023, which increased by 4.9%, highlights a robust period of economic expansion, significantly outpacing the annual growth rate of 2.9%. This surge is attributed mainly to an uptick in consumer spending, asset investments, and government expenditures, indicating a strong demand-side boost to the economy.

Despite this optimistic growth, the economic landscape is clouded by persistent uncertainties around inflation, which, although reduced from 6.5% in the previous year to 3.3% year-over-year by the end of December 2023, remains a concern for policymakers and economists. The reduction in inflation suggests that previous measures might be starting to bear fruit, yet the current rate still exceeds the Federal Reserve's long-term target of 2%, keeping the debate around further monetary tightening or policy adjustments alive.

Interest rates, which are a primary tool for the Federal Reserve in managing economic stability and inflation, are said to be moderating. However, the lack of clarity regarding potential major revisions to these rates adds another layer of uncertainty. The Federal Reserve's future decisions will likely hinge on balancing the need to control inflation without stifling economic growth, especially in a context where consumer spending and investment are driving expansion.

On the employment front, the increase in the state unemployment rate to 5.1% in December 2023 from 4.1% in the previous year indicates a slight softening in the labor market. This change might reflect various factors, including adjustments in the economy post-pandemic, shifts in workforce participation, or sectors' differing paces of recovery. While higher than in 2022, the unemployment rate is notably lower than the 7.7% seen in December 2021, suggesting a significant recovery from the pandemic's peak impacts.

In summary, the U.S. economy is at a critical juncture as it enters 2024. The Federal Reserve's policy decisions will be instrumental in steering the economy toward sustained growth while managing inflationary pressures. The interplay between continued consumer spending, investment, government expenditures, and the evolving monetary policy landscape will define the economic trajectory in the coming months. The ultimate challenge for policymakers will be to navigate these dynamics effectively, ensuring that growth is not only preserved but also inclusive, laying a solid foundation for long-term economic stability.

Based on the latest sales tax forecast ending September 30, 2023, statewide taxable sales down by 3.2% overall compared with the previous year and the County-wide recording declines of 6.4%, with the City gaining 0.7%. Revenue of Autos & Transportation sales tax revenue is up 2.7% year-over-year, and nearly 10% in the last quarter alone. Fuel & Service Stations are up 1.9% from prior year though overall fuel prices have been steadily coming down. Therefore, the conservative approach taken in this forecast has limited growth in the near term to 2% with steady incremental increases over the five-year forecast horizon.

## Long-term forecast

Sales tax revenues have decreased slightly in recent months, but this is inevitable in the face of declining inflation. Ultimately, such declines are often mitigated by the increases in other revenue sources. For instance, property taxes are counter-cyclical to a high inflation environment, so when high inflation abates, interest rates will also fall creating higher value to homeowners and greater tax revenues to the City as well as relieving pressure on those unwilling to refinance in a high-rate environment. This means more revenue through property development and existing home sales.

Although the City still faces significant needs for services and capital improvements, it remains in a strong financial position with reserves over the Council's 25% goal to meet unforeseen needs. Also, it is important to note that the pension cost calculated in this forecast uses the latest actuarial report issued in June 2023 and through June 30, 2022, which reflects -6.1% investment loss that was reported by CalPERS for the fiscal year ending June 20, 2022. Such losses are driving significant increases to the City's unfunded accrued liability (UAL) determined by CalPERS. Pension costs have been projected to increase in 24/25 and thereafter as a result of new Unfunded liability (UAL) added by the -7.5% return recorded by CALPERS and almost 0% return projected for 2023.

This is an estimated 1% higher than prior CalPERS estimates to factor in the yet unknown impact of CalPERS not reaching the target earnings rate for the last two years. The target earnings rate is 6.8% but the investment return for FY 2018-19 was 6.7% FY 2019-20, just 4.7% and a very strong performance of 21.3% for FY 2020/21. Over a 20-year period, the overall CalPERS fund performance has averaged just 5.5%. The unfunded pension liability for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2023, is \$6.4 million.

Like most cities in California, Fort Bragg will see increases in its unfunded liability in 2024/25 payments with little or no reduction in the overall unfunded liability helped by the City adopting a Pension Policy and issued \$11.4 million in taxable Lease Revenue Bonds in 2021 to restructure the UAL Debt with CALPERS. Proceeds of \$7.5 million were used to reduce the City's unfunded pension liability, with an additional \$3.5 million set aside for City projects which were later returned to reduce the City's debt. The record positive CalPERS investment return mentioned above, the \$7.5 million liability payment, and the setting up of a Section 115 Trust with PARS placed the City in a better position to manage pension obligations. However, recent negative returns by CALPERS in June 2022 have caused UAL to increase.

The table on the following page includes three years of audited results for context as well as projected results for six additional years into the future. Four "what-if" scenarios are provided, showing possible long-term results if certain revenue enhancements were enacted.

In Fiscal Year 2018-19, the citizens of Fort Bragg voted on a ballot initiative entitled Measure H. Measure H was a proposed general sales tax aimed at closing the budget gap caused by skyrocketing pension costs. With additional revenue, the City planned to enter into a shorter amortization schedule with CalPERS for payment of unfunded liabilities. Although this would have resulted in a higher annual payment, it would have saved the City nearly \$4 million of interest cost over 15 years. Measure H was not successful.

With the defeat of Measure H, the City took steps to close the budget gap on the expenditure side. The Administrative Services department eliminated the position of Administrative Services Director and the Police Lieutenant. Additionally, in FY 2019-20, the Community Development Director terminated employment with the City, this position was replaced with a lower-cost Planner position.

The City's General Fund operated at a record surplus for FY 2020/21, and the fund balance improved by nearly \$1.5 million. The Surplus was the result of deep budget cuts early in the Pandemic, which reduced Staff and services and the previously discussed increases in TOT and sales tax revenue as tourism rebounded. In May, 2020, the City laid off four full-time employees, froze two positions in the Police Department, and furloughed

another twelve employees, 50% to 75% of their regular hours. The furloughed Staff was returned to full-time status in August 2020, but several of the laid-off positions remain vacant. In addition, the City did not replace two positions (Finance Director and Assistant City Engineer) that became open in late June. As the reliance and demand for City services continue to grow, one of the challenges the City faces is the same as many other employers – recruiting and retaining qualified Staff.

The City adopted a balanced General Fund budget for FY 2022 and projected a small surplus of \$47k and \$175k in FY 22/23. While the Surplus was small, the budget included \$150k to pay down pension obligations, a budget for the Police Chief position, and a new City Manager position with relatively modest revenue projections.

The long-term forecast indicates that in the next year or two, the City will likely be able to fill budgeted or realized deficits with appropriated fund balance. Revenue enhancements and/or additional cost-cutting measures will likely be necessary within two years. The long-term forecast includes four "what-if" scenarios showing the effect of a variety of different <a href="https://pythodo.org/hypothetical">hypothetical</a> revenue generators and cost reductions. Staff recommends that the City Council pursue a general sales tax measure again at the next opportunity or identify new sources of revenues.

In addition to pursuing a general sales tax measure, the City could leverage accumulated funds from the internal service funds, enterprise funds, debt borrowings, and other expense reductions or revenue-generating opportunities.

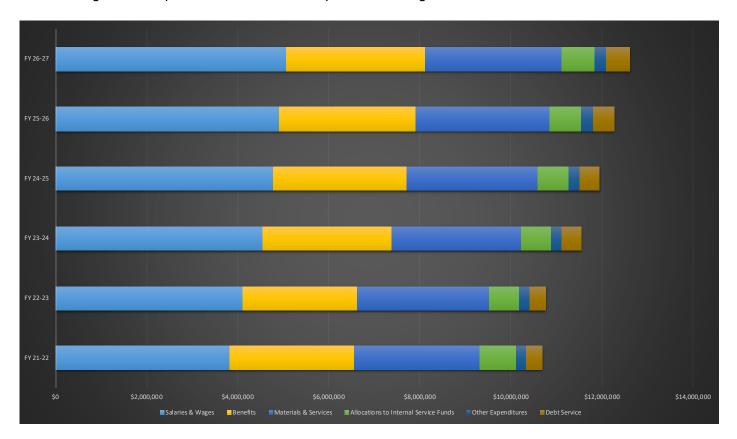
The General Fund's main revenue source of transient occupancy taxes and sales tax are exceeding initial expectations, however recently there has been a slowdown in property sales and higher property valuations. Sales taxes increase but at a lower level than in previous years. Uncertainties that may impact future operating positions are listed in the following table with actions to manage these uncertainties.

Uncertainty	Actions to Manage/Mitigate this Uncertainty
Inflation	Seek other revenue sources or adjust service fees to
	offset increases in costs
Economic Downturn/Recession	Maintain a General Fund Emergency & Operating
	Reserves at 25%
Future Police Association Contract	Maintain a positive operating position to absorb larger cost
Costs 2024	increases in the future
Future SEIU Contract Costs 2025	Maintain a positive operating position to absorb larger cost
	increases in the future
Service Changes/Council Priorities:	Seek other revenue sources or adjust service fees or
-Housing	levels to offset increases
-Infrastructure	
-Broadband	
-Pension Unfunded Liability	

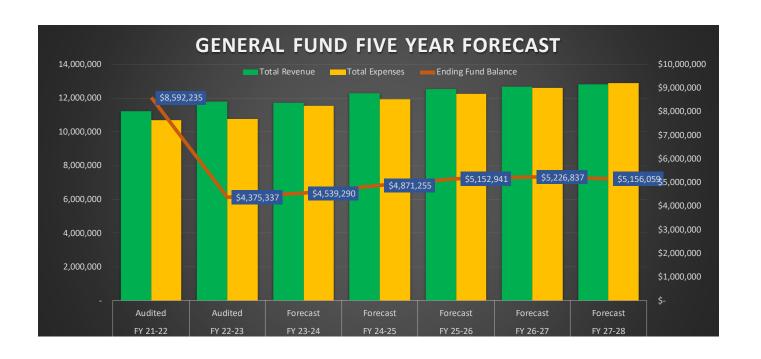
These uncertainties could create annual impacts on the General Fund and its operating position. The Long Term Financial Plan is to be informational and act as a guide to Council, management, and citizens as decisions are made.

The Long Range Financial Forecast sets the stage for the upcoming budget process, facilitating the City Council to consider strategic priorities and allocate resources appropriately. This Long Range Financial Forecast is not intended as a budget nor as a proposed plan. The forecast is based on current service levels, doesn't factor in future development, and uses general assumptions that may be different than actual amounts.

The following charts depict the General Fund expenditure categories.



	City of Fort	Bragg Gene	era	Fund Five	e Y	ear Foreca	ast					
		FY 21-22		FY 22-23		FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26		FY 26-27		FY 27-28
		Audited		Audited		Forecast	Forecast	Forecast		Forecast		Forecast
Revenue:	Sales Tax	\$ 2,215,161	\$	2,146,975		1,959,500	1,979,095	2,048,363		2,120,056		2,194,258
	Property Tax	1,150,352		1,136,219		1,150,257	1,150,257	1,161,760		1,173,377		1,185,111
	Transient Occupancy Tax	3,444,990		3,192,486		3,242,118	3,258,329	3,421,245		3,455,457		3,490,012
	Reimbursements	3,333,187		3,278,393		3,341,622	3,341,622	3,341,622		3,341,622		3,341,622
	All Other Revenue Sources	1,071,911		2,037,151		2,550,689	2,550,689	2,576,196		2,601,958		2,627,977
	Total Revenue	11,215,601		11,791,224		11,720,423	12,279,992	12,549,186		12,692,471		12,838,980
Expenditures:	Salaries & Wages	3,831,953		4,114,364		4,550,423	4,777,944	4,921,282		5,068,921		5,170,299
	Benefits	2,728,147		2,508,092		2,843,131	2,928,425	2,986,993		3,046,733		3,107,668
	Materials & Services	2,762,347		2,903,529		2,832,433	2,889,082	2,946,863		3,005,801		3,065,917
	Allocations to Internal Service Funds	789,396		649,295		656,999	676,709	697,010		717,921		739,458
	Other Expenditures	216,637		230,533		230,971	242,520	249,795		257,289		265,008
	Debt Service	358,337		364,131		442,513	433,348	465,555		521,910		561,409
	Total Expenses	10,686,817		10,769,944		11,556,470	11,948,027	12,267,500		12,618,574		12,909,759
Net Transfers:				-		-	-			-		
	Net Increase (Decrease) to Fund Balance	528,784		1,021,280		163,953	331,964	281,686		73,896		(70,778)
	Other restricted funds	3,879,236		(3,638,178)		-	-	-		-		-
	Beginning Fund Balance	4,184,215		8,592,235		5,975,337	6,139,290	6,471,255		6,752,941		6,826,837
	Ending Fund Balance	\$ 8,592,235	\$	5,975,337	\$	6,139,290	\$ 6,471,255	\$ 6,752,941	\$	6,826,837	\$	6,756,059
Storm Drain		718,784		1,211,280		353,953	521,964	471.686		263,896		119,222
Enterprise \$190k	<b>C</b>								_			,
annually		\$ 4,902,999	\$	6,114,279	\$	6,468,232	\$ 6,990,197	\$ 7,461,883	\$	7,254,093	\$	7,581,105
Parcel Tax		958,784		1,451,280		593,953	761,964	711,686		503,896		359,222
\$430k/yr.		\$ 5,142,999	\$	6,594,279	\$	7,188,232	\$ 7,950,197	\$ 8,661,883	\$	8,454,093	\$	9,021,105
1% TOT Tax		667,232		1,340,529		653,828	826,738	793,777		585,987		459,236
\$310k/yr.		\$ 4,851,447	\$	6,191,976	\$	6,845,804	\$ 7,672,542	\$ 8,466,319	\$	8,258,529	\$	8,925,554
3/8 cent General		736,455		1,826,396		898,766	1,074,125	1,049,822		868,917		752,068
Sales Tax <b>\$800k/yr</b> .		\$ 4,920,671	\$	6,747,066	\$	7,645,832		9,769,779	\$	10,638,696	\$_	



## The FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET PREPARATION

#### A. BUDGET PREPARATION SCHEDULE

Initial activities related to preparing the Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget are underway. The direction provided today by the Council will be incorporated into the budget draft. Staff will present a draft budget to the Council and the public at a budget workshop in May. The further direction provided at the workshop will be incorporated into a "Final" budget that will be presented to the Council for consideration of adoption in June. The complete budget calendar is provided below:

# SCHEDULE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FY 2024/25 BUDGET

ACTIVITY	DEADLINE
FINANCE PROVIDES BUDGET SPREADSHEETS TO DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS INSTRUCTIONS RE: NARRATIVES &	
CAPITAL PROJECTS (INCLUDING INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS, GRANTS, DDAs)	2/25/2024
MID-YEAR PERFORMANCE BUDGET REVIEW WITH COUNCIL ( 2PM-5pm) (COMMUNITY INPUT)	3/20/2024
FINANCE PROVIDES INITIAL REVENUE FORECASTS TO CM (ALL REVENUE SOURCES, AND FUNDS)	3/31/2024
DEPTS SUBMIT PROPOSED DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE BUDGETS AND NARRATIVES TO FINANCE	4/12/2024
PW & CDD SUBMIT COMPLETED BUDGET SECTIONS FOR GRANTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS	4/12/2024
HR PROVIDES PAYROLL PROJECTIONS INCLUDING BENEFITS	4/19/2024
CM & FINANCE MEET WITH All DEPTS; REVIEW APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS	4/15/2024 thru 4/19/2024
CM & FINANCE FOLLOW UP MEETING CIP	4/21/2023
FINANCE POSTS REVISED BUDGET WORKSHEETS IN BUDGET FOLDER;	4/22/2024
DEPARTMENTS REVIEW REVISED EXP WORKSHEETS; REPORT ANY DISCREPANCIES TO FINANCE THIS INCLUDES	
PROJECTED YEAR END FOR FY23, GRANTS; CAPITAL PROJECTS, ETC	4/22/2023
FINANCE REVIEWS TOTAL REVENUES vs EXPENDITURES WITH CM - ADJUST AS NECESSARY;	4/26/2024
INTERNAL REVIEW/QUALITY CONTROL (FINANCE, CM, DEPTS) - DRAFT BUDGET DOCUMENT	4/15/2024 thru 5/10/2024
FINALIZE DRAFT BUDGET DOCUMENT	5/17/2024
CM COMPLETES BUDGET TRANSMITTAL LETTER	5/17/2024
FINANCE DISTRIBUTES PROPOSED FY 2023/24 Draft BUDGET	5/22/2024
CITY COUNCIL CONDUCTS FY 2024/25 BUDGET HEARING WORKSHOP (COMMUNITY INPUT)	5/29/2024
FINANCE DISTRIBUTES FY 2024/25 BUDGET INCLUDING COUCIL AND PUBLIC UPDATES (FOR COUNCIL ADOPTION)	6/6/2024
CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS FY 2024/25 BUDGET	6/10/2024

## **B. PRIORITIZED LIST OF FINANCIAL GOALS**

Staff used the prioritized list as guidance in preparing the FY2024 budget and will again use the list in preparing the FY 2024/25 budget unless the Council directs otherwise:

- 1) Adopt a balanced budget (ongoing expenditures should be supported by ongoing revenues.

  Accordingly, one-time revenues/grants should not be used for ongoing expenditures continuously)
- 2) Provide additional contributions to the Section 115 Trust to help pay the unfunded liability
- 3) Maintain operating reserve (20% of operating Exp) and litigation reserve (\$200k)
- 4) Provide additional funding for emergency reserves (10% of Operating Expenditures)
- 5) Maintain current level of service (no staff layoffs, no program cuts)
- 6) Provide cost of living adjustments for Staff in years to come

## C. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION

# **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund supports many of the City's day-to-day operations, including police and fire protection, street and park maintenance, community development, and general administrative functions. The General Fund receives the broadest variety of revenues, and many of its revenue sources are cyclical in nature. By contrast, the revenue sources for the Enterprise Funds are received monthly and, as a result, are more evenly distributed throughout the fiscal year. The General Fund includes all services that are funded through general taxes. It is the funding source for all City programs except those that are paid for through dedicated taxes, user fees, impact fees, or grants.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 RECAP**

For the fiscal year concluding on June 30, 2023, the General Fund closed with a budget surplus of \$528,783, contributing to an increase in the Fund balance. However, this surplus was partially offset by the return of \$3.5 million in Lease Revenue Bonds, resulting in an overall decrease in the fund balance from \$8,592,235 to \$5,975,337. Expenditures for the year totaled \$10.6 million, marking a 27 percent increase compared to the previous year, as expenditures, especially personnel costs, returned to pre-pandemic levels.

Despite these changes, the General Fund maintained reserves, including an operating reserve of \$1.6 million, a litigation reserve of \$200k, and a recession reserve of \$489k.

## **GENERAL FUND REVENUES OVERVIEW**

General Fund revenue for the second quarter amounted to \$6.02 million, which represents 52% of the amended budget. This figure compares favorably to the \$5.4 million reported at the mid-year point of the prior fiscal year. Projections suggest that General Fund revenue will reach approximately \$11.7 million by the end of the fiscal year, slightly below the budgeted amount by approximately \$13k.

The table below provides a breakdown of actual FY 2023/24 General Fund revenue collections up to December, comparing them with budgeted revenue estimates and the actual figures from the last two fiscal years for historical context. Additionally, it outlines the recommended changes to each category as part of this report.

				GENERA	L FUND REV	'ENUES					
REVENUE SOURCE	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Transient Occupancy Tax	\$ 3,444,990	\$ 3,192,486	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -	\$ 3,242,118	\$ 1,621,059	\$ 1,765,102	54%	\$ 144,043	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -
Sales and Use Tax	2,215,161	2,146,974	1,959,500	-	1,959,500	979,750	1,105,665	56%	125,915	1,959,500	-
Property Tax	1,150,352	1,141,020	1,150,257	-	1,150,257	575,128	236,079	21%	(339,049)	1,150,257	-
Other Taxes	851,622	953,026	903,985	-	903,985	451,993	420,754	47%	(31,238)	903,985	-
Sub Total Tax Revenue	7,662,122	7,433,505	7,255,860	-	7,255,860	3,627,930	3,527,600	49%	(100,330)	7,255,860	-
Licenses & Permits	86,176	94,598	94,293	-	94,293	47,147	39,322	42%	(7,825)	95,493	1,200
Fines and Forfeitures	51,396	53,799	25,100	-	25,100	12,550	4,650	19%	(7,900)	20,050	(5,050)
Intergovernmental	30,089	15,538	30,000	-	30,000	15,000	-	0%	(15,000)	30,000	-
Use of Money/Property	(166,316)	(377,584)	90,000	-	90,000	45,000	387,448	430%	342,448	105,000	15,000
Charges for Services	62,387	91,600	81,343	-	81,343	40,672	53,481	66%	12,809	92,530	11,187
Operating Grant Revenue	133,985	571,569	647,262	81,900	729,162	364,581	394,060	54%	29,479	648,851	(80,311)
Reimbursements	3,333,187	3,764,941	3,380,722	-	3,380,722	1,690,361	1,602,363	47%	(87,998)	3,452,339	71,617
Other Revenue	22,576	143,257	20,200	-	20,200	10,100	20,889	103%	10,789	20,300	100
TOTAL REVENUES	\$11,215,601	\$11,791,224	\$11,624,780	\$ 81,900	\$ 11,706,680	\$ 5,853,340	\$ 6,029,814	52%	\$ 176,474	\$11,720,423	\$ 13,743

The Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget was formulated with the anticipation of potential declines in General Fund and other economically sensitive City fund revenues. This cautious approach reflects an acknowledgment of prevailing economic conditions and aims to maintain conservative budgeting practices while harboring a sense of cautious optimism as economic conditions evolve in 2024.

Transient Occupancy Tax and Sales Tax were forecasted to decline by 6% from the "best year to date" achieved in FY 2021/22. A comprehensive review of all General Fund revenue accounts has been performed based on activity through the year's first six months. Based on the available data through December, General Fund Tax revenues have continued the strong performance and are anticipated to end the year approximately \$7.3 million in line with budgeted levels due to solid growth in Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT), Franchise tax and Sales Tax categories.

Partially offsetting this tax revenue growth is lower than anticipated Operating Grant Revenues to reimburse staff time administering these grants and carrying out Grant activities. Much of the reimbursable time is for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which includes: the Code Enforcement Program, Business Loans, Fire Station Rehabilitation design work, water meter replacement program, and general administration. Similar to the prior year, these unspent funds will be transferred to the next fiscal year. There are no revenue adjustments included in the Mid-Year Budget Review.

Notable variances in Revenues are listed below.

## Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Transient Occupancy Tax	\$ 3,444,990	\$ 3,192,486	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -	\$ 3,242,118	\$ 1,621,059	\$ 1,765,102	54%	\$ 144,043	\$ 3,242,118	\$ -

Fort Bragg relies heavily on tourism, which contributes significantly to its revenue, constituting 28% of the total General Fund revenue. In FY 22, Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) experienced a rebound from COVID-19 impacts, achieving its highest performance to date with \$3.4 million in revenue by the end of the fiscal year.

FY 22/23 saw another strong showing for TOT, with an 18% growth of \$186k compared to pre-pandemic levels. However, despite this positive trend, receipts witnessed a 10% decline compared to the exceptional quarter recorded in FY 21/22, as outlined in the historical revenue figures provided. The Adopted Budget for FY 23/24 took a conservative approach, projecting just 1% growth. While July, September, and November revenues surpassed the prior year's figures, the other months experienced a 10% decline. Despite being down 2% compared to the same period last year, revenues have surged by 46% or \$575k compared to pre-pandemic levels. Fort Bragg's economy heavily relies on tourism, which contributes significantly to its revenue, accounting for 28% of the total General Fund revenue. In FY 22, the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) experienced a rebound from the impacts of COVID-19, reaching its highest performance to date with \$3.4 million in revenue by the end of the fiscal year.

Considering the 7% decline experienced in the first two quarters, the results of the third quarter will be crucial in determining whether revenue adjustments are needed, especially if TOT fails to meet budget expectations.

## Sales Tax:

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Sales and Use Tax	2,215,161	2,146,974	1,959,500	-	1,959,500	979,750	1,105,665	56%	125,915	1,959,500	-

The Sales Tax category includes General Sales Taxes, Local Sales Taxes, and Proposition 172 Sales Taxes.

Inflation accelerated last year as the U.S. economy recovered from the COVID-19 Pandemic. Prices rose as strong consumer demand—stoked by lower interest rates and government stimulus—collided with constrained supply chains and pandemic-related shortages. Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022 further spurred inflation worldwide, hitting food, energy, and other commodity prices.

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The ongoing impact of the Federal Reserve's interest rate hikes on the economy remains a topic of concern among many analysts. This rate increases primarily aim to mitigate inflationary pressures by rendering borrowing more costly. The intended consequence is reduced spending by households and businesses, potentially resulting in slower wage growth as employers exercise caution in hiring. The Consumer Price Index, increased by 3.7% in September 2023 from the same month a year ago, pulled down by a drop in gasoline prices that was partially offset by higher food costs. The reading was down from 8.3% in August to 9.1% in June, the highest inflation rate in four decades. The CPI measures what consumers pay for goods and services a closely watched inflation gauge, rose 6% in February from a year earlier, down from a 6.4% gain the prior month, according to the Labor Department. It was the smallest increase since September 2021. Inflation has certainly eased from the 9.1% highs in June last year and is expected to fall to 3.1% by the end of 2023 and end in 2024 at 2.4%, which will impact consumer spending habits, particularly when making large purchases.

Locally, Quarter two results were \$1,105,665 (56% of the total budget) in line with Budget projections. Compared to the prior year, Sales Tax was only down 3% but still up 9% compared to Pre-Pandemic, which is optimistic news for the City as this revenue category continues to record gains. All sales tax categories have experienced year-over-year growth, the largest of which includes Food Products, Construction, and transportation. In addition, the County Pool, where most online transactions are captured, has continued to grow. This growth is attributable to the Pandemic's sustained impact of redirecting significant activity to online sales. The recent growth in County Pool receipts has been fueled by online purchases during the Pandemic and is facilitated by the South Dakota vs. Wayfair, Inc. Supreme Court decision in 2018, which provided states with the authority to require online retailers to collect sales tax even without a local presence in that State. The County Pool revenue is distributed to all cities within Mendocino County based on a distribution formula administered by the CDTFA.

#### Reimbursements

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Reimbursements	3,333,187	3,764,941	3,380,722	-	3,380,722	1,690,361	1,602,363	47%	(87,998)	3,452,339	71,617

Reimbursements include the annual COPS grant reimbursements for the City's Community Service officers (CSO) costs (\$159k), developer deposit reimbursements (\$35k), and cost allocations transfers (\$993k), which are considered a cost to the Enterprise funds but revenue to the General Fund. At mid-year, actuals totaled \$1.6 million or 47 percent of the budget and are expected to come in over budget by \$72k at the end of the fiscal year due to the timing of some of the reimbursements, the newly approved indirect cost reimbursement from eligible grants and the true-up of hours worked by Staff during the fiscal year per the City's Cost Allocation Plan.

# Operating Grant Revenues

	Audited	Audited		Approved Net		Pro Rated			Variance		Forecast
	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Operating Grant Revenue	133,985	571,569	647,262	81,900	729,162	364,581	394,060	54%	29,479	648,851	(80,311)

Operating Grant revenues are currently at 54% of the budgeted amount at mid-year and are projected to end the year \$80,311 below budget. This revenue category primarily consists of staff time reimbursement for administering the City's various grant programs and conducting grant-related activities. A significant portion of the reimbursable time is attributed to the BHJIS Grant for Social Liaison Officers and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), encompassing activities such as the Code Enforcement Program, Business Loans, Fire Station Rehabilitation design work, water meter replacement project, and general administration.

The variance in revenue can primarily be attributed to the timing of reimbursements for certain CDBG Grants and other grants. These unspent grant funds will be carried over and utilized in the next fiscal year. It is

noteworthy that the code enforcement department was transferred to the Police Department in the previous year. Currently, the program employs two code enforcement officers, with the program scheduled to conclude in March 2024.

#### Other taxes

	Audited FY 2021/22	Audited FY 2022/23	Adamsad	Approved Net		Pro Rated	YTD Actual	Mid-Year	Variance	Cating a to d	Forecast
			Adopted	Budget	Amended	Budget as of			Budget vs.	Estimated	Surplus/
REVENUE SOURCE	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Amendments	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	Variance %	Actual	Year End	(Shortfall)
Other Taxes	851,622	953,026	903,985	-	903,985	451,993	420,754	47%	(31,238)	903,985	-

Franchise Fees are collected in the Cable Television, Solid Waste, and PG&E Electric. Through December, Franchise Fee receipts of \$420k, in line with the mid-term budget and consistent with the prior year's collection level. As further discussed below, Electric and Gas Franchise Fees collected through December are formula-driven advance amounts, with the true-up occurring in April 2023. Based on historical collection trends, it is currently anticipated that overall Franchise Fees will meet or exceed budgeted levels by year-end. Revenues from Cable television franchise fees have slowly declined as more customers move to satellite and internet-based services.

Additionally, the Business License Tax collected was also down by \$18k, which is consistent with the prior year as most Tax is collected during business license renewal season in February and March of each year.

#### STATUS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

General Fund expenditures totaled \$6.7 million for the first half of FY 2023/24, representing 57 percent of the amended annual budget. Appropriations of \$11.5 million were adopted. Throughout the year, budgeted appropriations have increased by \$363k resulting in an amended budget of \$11.9 million. The following chart displays the year-to-date expenditures compared to the prior years.

				GENERAL	FUND EXPEN	IDITURES					
DEPARTMENT	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
GENERAL											
City Council	\$ 214,276	\$ 224,220	\$ 185,314	\$ -	\$ 185,314	\$ 92,657	\$ 125,222	68%	\$ 32,566	\$ 183,987	1,327
Administrative Services	1,225,232	1,066,104	1,037,505	49,654	1,087,159	543,580	516,580	48%	(27,000)	1,078,732	8,427
Marketing & Promotions	226,875	210,230	240,650	11,808	252,458	126,229	103,647	41%	(22,581)	252,458	-
Finance	536,978	551,250	635,770	2,000	637,770	318,885	335,076	53%	16,192	542,703	95,067
Non-Departmental	985,342	967,992	1,138,196	3,338	1,141,534	570,767	888,306	78%	317,539	1,136,513	5,020
Community Contribution	97,297	70,231	147,588	27,369	174,957	87,479	135,183	77%	47,704	174,957	-
DEBT SERVICE	547,580	3,793,587	556,303	-	556,303	278,151	124,770	22%	(153,382)	555,971	331
COMMUNITY DEVELOP	365,418	420,928	443,898	6,897	450,795	225,397	291,873	65%	66,476	429,844	20,950
PUBLIC SAFETY											
Police Department	3,891,473	3,485,290	4,169,509	3,377	4,172,886	2,086,443	1,964,812	47%	(121,631)	4,040,908	131,978
Social Services	-	134,556	313,862	78,000	391,862	195,931	195,818	50%	(113)	387,755	4,107
Fire Department	434,423	430,755	453,708	-	453,708	226,854	339,658	75%	112,804	449,099	4,609
PUBLIC WORKS											
Administration & Engine	679,782	684,218	934,012	156,395	1,090,407	545,204	399,281	37%	(145,922)	962,676	127,732
Parks and Facilities	36,479	50,505	40,000	-	40,000	20,000	21,154	53%	1,154	40,000	-
Street Maintenance	124,497	119,863	142,000	23,878	165,878	82,939	51,113	31%	(31,826)	165,878	-
Storm Drains	12,681	13,415	25,500	-	25,500	12,750	7,539	30%	(5,211)	24,067	1,433
Corporation Yard	494,217	481,227	380,483	-	380,483	190,241	248,407	65%	58,166	449,345	(68,862)
Traffic and Safety	24,873	84,488	39,500	1,078	40,578	20,289	10,579	26%	(9,710)	40,578	-
COST ALLOCATION	789,396	1,222,680	656,999	-	656,999	328,499	985,498	150%	656,999	656,999	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$10,686,818	\$14,011,539	\$11,540,795	\$ 363,793	\$ 11,904,589	\$ 5,952,294	\$ 6,744,518	57%	\$ 792,223	\$11,572,470	\$ 332,118

Some of the notable variances in expenditures include:

- The Finance department is projected to end the year at \$95,067 under budget primarily due to salary savings from the vacant Finance Director position vacated in January 2024, and the Accountant position vacant from December 2023. As of mid-year, the department budget is \$335k, or 53 percent of the amended budget.
- The Non-Departmental category records expenditures not associated with a specific department of the City. These include Retiree Medical costs, Insurance costs, Utilities, and OPEB funding, to name a few. Year-to-date actuals are at 78% of the annual budget and are projected to end the fiscal year with a positive variance of \$6,020. The costs of REMIF liability and property premium payments paid in the first quarter were much lower than anticipated. Conversely, utility costs increased by 10%, and retiree medical were up by 3% from the adopted budget.

Additionally, a budget of \$150k has been set aside to be contributed to Section 115 to accumulate and invest funds to smooth the impacts of future pension cost increases. A total of \$1.6 million has been invested into the trust.

- The second half of the fiscal year will see the payment of \$442,513 for the 2021 Lease Revenue Bond and \$113,790 for Caspar Landfill closure costs. It's worth noting that the return of the \$3.5 million Debt-2021 Lease revenue bonds in August 2022 significantly reduced the City's debt from \$11.4 million to \$7.9 million, thereby reducing future annual debt payments.
- The Police Department has been actively addressing vacancies in both sworn and community service officer positions. During Quarter Two, the department successfully filled a vacant sergeant position, two officer positions, and one community service officer position. Looking ahead, plans are in place to send another recruit to the academy in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. Due to these vacancies, the Department is projected to finish the fiscal year under budget by \$151,978, offset by increases in the department's overtime and comp time budget. A budget amendment is requested to use the salary savings to offset the increases in overtime/comp costs.

Included in the police department is Project Right Now of \$345,000 grant from the Youth Opioid Resistance Fund, allocated for a full-time position and a success coach. This grant, received in the last quarter of the prior fiscal year, is set to expire in the upcoming quarter. Furthermore, the Care Response unit, which falls under the public safety department, is another grant-funded program. The program received funding through 2025 via an expansion of the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) grant acquired in 2022. Notably, the Care Response unit has proven successful in delivering services and resources to address homelessness and mental health issues in the community, directly assisting over 300 community members in 2023.

The Code Enforcement Program, bolstered by \$418,457 in Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), sustains two code enforcement grant officer positions. However, this funding is slated to conclude in the third quarter. The City is currently assessing if there is an alternative funding option for the program's continuity and will present a recommendation to the City Council accordingly. General fund salary savings will fund the program through the end of the fiscal year.

At mid-year, the Community Development Department has utilized 65% of the amended budget due to professional services overages and anticipates ending the fiscal year under budget by \$21k. This is attributed to personnel cost savings resulting from the vacancy in the Director position. Plans are underway to commence recruitment for a full-time Community Development Director or a Senior Planner in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. In the interim, the department has extended the contract of Marie Jones Consulting to fulfill planning obligations.

- The Public Works department made operational changes by replacing the Project Analyst position with an Administrative position. This adjustment resulted in annual savings of approximately \$30,000, which were reallocated to support the addition of a full-time Engineering Technician, increasing the department's full-time equivalents (FTEs) to eight. Furthermore, the special projects manager position was transferred to the public works department in the previous fiscal year. The projected budget surplus is \$117,732, primarily attributed to a budget amendment during the fiscal year of \$78k to add the two new positions-charging out employee salaries allocation to the enterprise department for the engineering technician. Despite this surplus, the department's workload has remained busy, particularly with the \$70 million water projects scheduled for the next three years.
- The Corporation yard department is made up of eight employees. A mid-year budget request for \$20,000 to accommodate the addition of a Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Maintenance Worker. With an annual cost of \$74,000, this position will be instrumental in addressing the City's many backlog maintenance tasks, including parks, street signs, curb painting (10ft to 20ft), guest house museum, and other storm drain activities. The estimated year-end variance is attributed to the allocation of Maintenance work time which should be charged to the enterprise. This will be addressed during the Q3.

#### **GENERAL FUND NET RESULT AND FUND BALANCE**

With projected revenues totaling \$11.7 million and total expenditures at \$11.5 million, the General Fund is expected to conclude FY 2024 with a surplus of \$163,952. This surplus will bolster the General Fund's balance to \$2.8 million, representing a 1% increase compared to the previous year. It's worth noting that although the projected surplus is modest, expenditures, particularly personnel costs, have reverted to pre-COVID levels. Additionally, additional staff has been hired across all departments including filling Director positions except for the Community Development and Finance Department, which is slated to be filled soon.

Moving forward into the next fiscal year, there will be increased pressure on the top tax revenue categories, specifically Transient Occupancy Tax and Sales Tax, to accommodate General Fund costs, particularly personnel expenses.

In the prior fiscal year, an initial investment of \$1.6 million was deposited into the Section 115 trust with PARS. While this investment decreased the General Fund reserves, there is an additional budget allocated for the Section 115 Trust.

Beginning Reserves	\$	FY 2023-24 Budget 2,695,591	\$	FY 2023-24 Projected 2,695,591
Revenues Expenditures Net Transfers		11,624,780 (11,540,795) -		11,720,423 (11,572,470)
Surplus/(Deficit) Ending Committed Reserves	\$ <b>\$</b>	83,985 <b>2,779,576</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	147,952 <b>2,843,543</b>
Committed Reserves as a % of Operating		24%		25%

#### **Committed Reserves**

	\$2,843,543
Litigation Reserves	200,000
Recession Reserves	547,759
Operating Reserves	2,095,784

## WATER ENTERPRISE FUND

The Water Enterprise rate structure is operating as intended, effectively supporting all operational needs, maintaining the operating reserve, servicing debt obligations, and accumulating funds for infrastructure upgrades, replacements, and maintenance. At the close of Fiscal Year 2023, there was an annual net position increase to \$16.7 million.

According to fiscal policy guidelines, the operating reserve is established at 25% of the prior year's operating expense, resulting in a set reserve of \$342k for Fiscal Year 2023. Additionally, the Enterprise fund has established a recession reserve of \$100k, equivalent to 5% of the Fund's operating budget.

The capital reserve recorded an increase of \$153k, reaching a total of \$4.7 million. The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Water Enterprise outlines a total of \$85.9 million for identified capital projects over the next five years, with funding sourced from Grants and Enterprise capital reserves. With these resources in place, the Fund is well-equipped to advance numerous projects outlined in the FY 24 budget, as detailed on page 203.

### **REVENUES**

User fees entirely support Water Enterprise Fund revenues. As of the end of the second quarter, revenues surpassed expectations by \$232k, reaching 58% of the budget. Previous water restrictions impacted revenue collection; however, with ample rainfall in the state, no restrictions are anticipated for the upcoming summer months. Projections indicate a year-end total revenue of \$3.1 million, reflecting a 2 percent increase from the prior fiscal year. This increase is attributed to higher consumption levels, aligning more closely with pre-COVID totals. In the fourth quarter, a Request for Proposal will be issued for water and wastewater rates.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Operating Revenue	\$ 3,005,288	\$ 3,018,464	\$ 3,050,060	\$ -	\$ 3,050,060	\$ 1,525,030	\$ 1,758,027	58%	\$ 232,997	\$ 3,050,060	\$ -
Capacity Fees	44,837	91,608	50,000	-	50,000	25,000	5,425	11%	(19,575)	15,000	(35,000)
Grants Received	640,664	-	-		-		-			-	-
Miscellaneous	44,837	63,639	60,100	-	60,100	30,050	11,004	18%	(19,046)	41,000	(19,100)
Total Revenue	3,735,626	3,173,710	3,160,160	-	3,160,160	1,580,080	1,774,456	56%	194,376	3,106,060	(54,100)
Personnel services	1,039,332	1,175,299	1,192,854	-	1,192,854	596,427	584,941	49%	(11,486)	1,165,726	27,128
Administration	683,735	700,106	473,565	-	473,565	236,782	234,576	50%	(2,206)	473,565	-
Repairs & maintenance	52,440	36,575	44,500	1,378	45,878	22,939	27,326	60%	4,387	45,878	-
Materials & supplies	169,901	368,037	291,448	-	291,448	145,724	103,721	36%	(42,003)	262,948	28,500
Utilities	147,423	174,940	175,000	-	175,000	87,500	91,501	52%	4,001	175,000	-
Contractual services	93,135	90,394	93,000	29,258	122,258	61,129	18,560	15%	(42,569)	112,258	10,000
Insurance	31,351	50,151	62,689	-	62,689	31,344	53,392	85%	22,048	62,689	-
Other operating	35,035	6,415	10,500	-	10,500	5,250	677	6%	(4,573)	10,500	-
Interest/Debt Service *	55,434	67,764	65,289	-	340,080	170,040	294,689	87%	124,649	340,080	-
Depreciation **	364,752	364,563	-		-	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	2,672,538	3,034,244	2,408,844	30,636	2,714,272	1,357,136	1,409,384	52%	52,248	2,648,644	65,628
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ 1,063,088	\$ 139,467	\$ 751,316		\$ 445,888	\$ 222,944	\$ 365,073	82%	\$ 142,128	\$ 457,416	11,528

Audited results do not include payment of principal which is not an expense in full accrual accounting

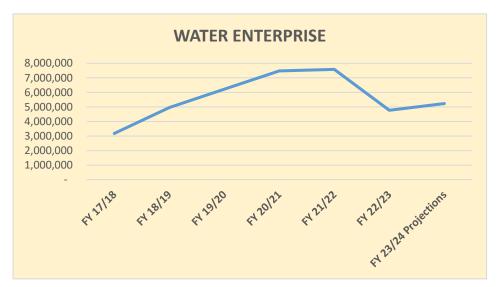
<sup>\*\*</sup> Depreciation Expense is not budgeted and therefore not included in calculation of budget variance

#### **EXPENDITURES**

Water Enterprise's expenses for the first half of FY 2024 totaled \$1.4 million, 58% of the amended annual budget. The projected year-end total is \$2.3 million, \$41k under budget.

- At mid-year, Debt Service is 87% of the total annual budget. Principal payments are paid in October and a second smaller interest payment is in April. The adopted budget includes the final loan payment of \$337k for the 2014 Revenue refunding bond which will be paid off this fiscal year.
- Repairs and Maintenance are 60% of the adopted and are forecasted to end the fiscal year at budget levels.
  - Most of these repair costs were undertaken in the first half of the year.
- No other significant variances are expected in other enterprise expense category at year-end.

During the summer months of 2019-2022, the City faced significant water shortage challenges. To address these issues, City Staff proactively pursued alternative plans, such as implementing the Desalination Unit in 2021 and exploring alternative water sources and storage options, including the acquisition of the Highway 20 property. Furthermore, the installation of new water meters, funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), will enhance the City's ability to detect leaks and monitor water usage in real time.



Projected revenues of \$3.1 million and expenses of \$2.6 million are anticipated for the Water Enterprise in FY 2022/23. With staff projections factored in, the Enterprise is expected to conclude the fiscal year with a net position of \$13.2 million and reserves totaling \$5.2 million.

The Enterprise Capital Reserve allocates \$3.3 million for various Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs), including \$812k for the Pudding Creek water main, \$850k for the Distribution system, \$500k for the raw water reservoir, \$300k for the extended water system north, and \$750k for the reclamation design.

In the previous fiscal year, the Enterprise fund acquired over 582 acres of property from the Mendocino Coast Recreation Park District for \$2,420,579. This purchase will contribute to a reduction of reserves by \$5.2 million in total. Staff remains proactive in securing Grant funds to support identified CIP projects, utilizing capital reserves for matching funds as needed. For a comprehensive list of scheduled Capital Improvement Projects for the Water Enterprise, please refer to pages 205-213 of the Adopted Budget.

# **WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

The Wastewater Enterprise rate structure is functioning as designed and continues to fund all operations, maintain the operating reserve, provide for debt, and accumulate funds for infrastructure upgrades, replacements, and maintenance. The fiscal Year 2023 ended with an annual net position decrease of \$1.2 million to \$22.8 million. Per policy, the operating reserve is set at 25% of the prior year's operating expense, and for the Fiscal year 2024 was set at \$625k.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
, ,	, ,	\$ 3,390,904	\$3,391,756	\$ -	\$ 3,391,756	\$ 1,695,878	\$ 2,019,411	60%	. ,	\$ 3,395,756	\$ 4,000
Capacity Fees 415	112,468	44,221	120,000		120,000	60,000	68,374	57%	8,374	127,000	7,000
Miscellaneous Revenue 416	20,319	181,799	20,000		20,000	10,000	9,500	48%	(500)	20,000	-
Total Revenue	3,610,153	3,616,924	3,531,756	-	3,531,756	1,765,878	2,097,285	59%	323,533	3,542,756	4,000
Personnel services	693,885	971,400	759,353	-	759,353	379,676	412,158	54%	32,481	737,852	21,500
Administration	1,225,605	1,430,931	713,395	-	713,395	356,697	355,631	50%	(1,067)	709,395	4,000
Repairs & maintenance	175,875	95,853	142,750	25,696	168,446	84,223	89,021	53%	4,798	139,446	29,000
Materials & supplies	292,245	509,283	298,894	119,821	418,715	209,358	146,629	35%	(62,729)	417,815	900
Utilities	222,967	305,844	300,000	-	300,000	150,000	196,785	66%	46,785	300,000	-
Contractual services	360,280	446,764	411,701	303,775	715,476	357,738	167,345	23%	(190,393)	715,476	-
Insurance	49,798	56,506	70,633	-	70,633	35,316	112,645	159%	77,329	112,645	(42,012)
Interest/Debt Service * 506	95,650	93,850	92,010	-	92,010	46,005	-	0%	(46,005)	92,010	-
Depreciation **	829,815	816,894	-		ı	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	3,946,121	4,727,326	2,788,736	449,293	3,238,028	1,619,014	1,480,213	46%	(138,801)	3,224,640	13,388
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (335,967)	\$(1,110,402)	\$ 743,021	\$ (449,293)	\$ 293,728	\$ 146,864	\$ 617,072		\$ 462,334	\$ 318,116	24,388

<sup>\*</sup> Audited results do not include payment of principal which is not an expense in full accrual accounting

## **REVENUES**

Like the Water Enterprise fund, the projected year-end revenue for the current fiscal year is estimated to be \$3.5 million or approximately \$4k more than the original adopted budget but down from the prior year by 2%. The septic dumping station recorded a \$7k increase in operating revenues for the Fund.

### **EXPENDITURES**

Wastewater Enterprise expenses totaled \$1.4 million, 46% percent of the amended annual budget. The projected year-end total is \$3.2 million, which is approximately \$13k less than the budget:

- At year-end personnel, services are expected to be approximately \$21k under budget, mainly due to savings in personnel costs from benefits in a couple of positions.
- At the close of the fiscal year, the Non-Routine Maintenance division anticipates being under budget by approximately \$29k for materials and supplies. However, CIRA insurance costs are projected to reach \$112k, exceeding the budget by \$42k. This increase is attributed to the actual costs incurred for the wastewater treatment plant, which was completed in 2021.

With projected revenues of \$3.5 million and expenses of \$3.2 million, Staff projects the Wastewater Enterprise to end FY 2024 with a net position of \$26.1 million and reserves of \$2.1 million. The decline in reserves in fiscal year FY 17/18 is a result of the Wastewater treatment plant construction in addition to grant funds- seen below.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Depreciation Expense is not budgeted and therefore not included in calculation of budget variance



During the budget development, Staff identified a list of Capital Improvements Program (CIP) of \$16.6 million needed to improve the Fund's infrastructure. A collection system rehab of \$12 million is planned for FY 2024/25, with \$1.5 million of Capital improvements budgeted for this fiscal year.

## CV STARR ENTERPRISE FUND

The C.V. Starr Community Center and Sigrid & Harry Spath Aquatic Facility (C.V. Starr Center) represent a comprehensive 43,000-square-foot establishment. This multifaceted facility features an indoor water park, fitness and exercise rooms, weight rooms, and meeting spaces available for community use. The surrounding grounds complement the Center's offerings with amenities such as a dog park, Skateboard Park, and petanque courts. Ownership of the C.V. Starr Center lies with the City, and its operational, maintenance, and capital improvement costs are partially mitigated through restricted sales tax and property tax revenues. These dedicated funds are specifically allocated to the C.V. Starr Enterprise Fund, ensuring a financial framework to support the ongoing success of the facility.

The city has engaged in a contractual arrangement with the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Parks District (MCRPD) for the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the C.V. Starr Center. However, a significant development occurred in August 2023 when the MCRPD Board issued notice to terminate the operating agreement. The MCRPD allowed for a 6-month transition to facilitate a smooth transition. In response to this change, the CV Starr Ad-Hoc Committee, in collaboration with City Staff, has diligently formulated a comprehensive plan. The C.V. Starr Center has transitioned into City operations in February 2024. This strategic plan ensures the continued provision of services and facilities to the community, aligning with the City's commitment to its residents' well-being and recreational needs.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2022	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Variance Budget vs. Actual	Estimated Year	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Operating Revenue		\$ 599,048	\$ 596,248	\$ -	\$ 596,248	\$ 298,124	\$ 363,373	61%	\$ 65,249	\$ 626,746	30,497
Sales Tax	1,211,340	1,175,441	1,199,769		1,199,769	599,885	616,476	51%	16,591	1,199,769	-
Property Tax	268,596	305,258	283,127		283,127	141,563	167,899	59%	26,336	283,127	-
Other Income	982,537	111,910	40,000		40,000	20,000	2,457	6%	(17,543)	40,000	-
Total Revenue	2,462,473	2,191,657	2,119,144	-	2,119,144	1,059,572	1,150,205	54%	90,633	2,149,642	30,497
Personnel Costs	826,436	1,168,544	1,439,777	-	1,439,777	719,888	646,116	45%	(73,773)	1,312,850	126,927
Operations	267,253	358,038	172,411	-	172,411	86,206	60,616	35%	(25,590)	155,231	17,180
Repairs & maintenance	5,451	46,441	60,000	7,247	67,247	33,624	25,514	38%	(8,109)	55,000	12,247
Utilities	321,693	365,941	350,000	-	350,000	175,000	187,367	54%	12,367	350,000	-
Professional Services	19,900	56,986	35,419	15,000	50,419	25,210	29,825	59%	4,616	67,500	(17,081)
Insurance	-	60,229	30,208	-	30,208	15,104	13,895	46%	(1,209)	30,208	-
Depreciation **	=	650,590	-		-	-	-	0%	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	1,440,733	2,706,769	2,087,814	22,247	2,110,061	1,055,031	963,333	46%	(91,698)	1,970,788	139,273
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ 1,021,740	\$ (515,112)	\$ 31,330	\$ (22,247)	\$ 9,083	\$ 4,542	\$ 186,872	2057%	\$ 182,331	\$ 178,854	169,770
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Capital Improvements	-	5,996	1,678,226	306,176	1,992,402	996,201	166,679	8%	(829,522)	405,982	1,586,420

Revenue from general admissions includes fees collected from drop-in visits, membership sales, and other admissions. The Center faced closures during the COVID-19 pandemic, affecting membership sign-ups and

drop-in visits. Safety measures such as continued mask usage (except in the pool area), closure of showers to minimize unmasked time, and capacity restrictions during Open Swim and Swim Slide Splash sessions contributed to this revenue shortfall.

Despite these challenges, membership revenue and general admissions have rebounded, reaching 61% by the end of the second quarter since reopening. Additionally, rate increases approved by the City Council in the second quarter, effective January 2024, are expected to



generate an estimated \$90k in additional revenue. It is gratifying to note that our sales tax figures are in line

with quarterly budget projections, indicating that we are on track to meet our overall budget expectations of \$1.2 million.

Property tax funds are typically received in the third quarter of the fiscal year, aligning with our budget planning and contributing to the overall financial well-being of the Center.

## **Cost cutting Measures**

Since assuming management of the Center, the City of Fort Bragg has embarked on several cost-saving initiatives to enhance operational efficiency and drive membership growth. A significant step was the consolidation of fitness class offerings from 70 to 27, ensuring a more financially sustainable program.

Additionally, fitness instructors—excluding those certified in Silver Sneakers—have transitioned from employee status to independent contractors. This move aims to uphold instructional quality while enhancing cost-effectiveness. Plans are in progress to expand class offerings under this revised model.

To further streamline operations, staffing needs were meticulously evaluated across departments, resulting in certain positions transitioning to part-time roles or remaining vacant in Guest Services and Administration. Moreover, due to staffing shortages, the Center temporarily suspended operations on Sundays, yielding personnel cost savings equivalent to 45% of the personnel budget at mid-year.

Efforts are underway to recruit lifeguards to fill at least five vacant part-time positions, ensuring seamless operations seven days a week, including holidays, and upholding safety standards. In July 2024, eleven full-time employees will begin receiving City benefits (Dental, Medical, Vision, and CalPERS), with these costs factored into the Fiscal Year 2025 budget development.

A mid-year budget amendment of \$24,851 is proposed for IT network upgrades, focusing on monitoring and security, as well as a new Wi-Fi system at the Center. These expenses will be offset by savings in other expense categories such as Operations and Repairs and Maintenance, which are anticipated to end the fiscal year under budget due to cost-saving measures. As we progress through the fiscal year, we remain committed to prudent financial management, ensuring that our budget allocations align with our operational needs and strategic goals.



The CV Starr reserves are expected to reach \$2,856,538 by the end of the fiscal year, reflecting a notable increase of \$405,982. However, the Center has allocated \$2.6 million for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects over the next four years, which is anticipated to deplete the reserves. In response, the City is proactively pursuing grants to mitigate these expenses and alleviate the financial burden on the CV Starr reserves.

# **INTERNAL SERVICE: FACILITIES REPAIR & MAINTENANCE**

Internal Service Funds-Facilities fund accounts for the maintenance of all City-owned buildings.

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	FY	udited 2021/22 Actuals	FΥ	Audited 2022/23 Actuals	1	FY 21/22 Adopted Budget	Ne	oproved t Budget endments		nended Budget	Bu	ro Rated dget as of 2/31/2023	/TD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %	Bu	ariance dget vs. Actual	stimated 'ear End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall
Operating Revenue	\$	4,143	\$	16,216	\$	500	\$	-	\$	500	\$	250	\$ 250	50%	\$	-	\$ 500	\$ -
Interdepartmental Charges		200,959		288,548		210,000		-		210,000		105,000	105,000	50%		-	210,000	-
TOTAL REVENUES		205,101		304,764		210,500		-		210,500		105,250	105,250	50%		-	210,500	-
Personnel Services		105,998		186,907		105,998		-		105,998		52,999	52,999	50%		-	105,998	-
Repairs & Maintenance		15,601		22,469		22,500		-		22,500		11,250	4,549	20%		(6,701)	16,000	6,500
Depreciation		-		6,800		-				-			-				-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		121,600		216,176		128,498		-		128,498		64,249	57,548	45%		(6,701)	121,998	6,500
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$	83,501	\$	88,588	\$	82,002	\$	-	\$	82,002	\$	41,001	\$ 47,702	58%	\$	6,701	\$ 88,502	6,500
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- No significant revenue variances are expected.
- The repairs and maintenance schedule are listed below, with a \$22,500 maintenance budget. Due to staffing, only the park bathrooms, fencing for Noyo Headlands Park, and miscellaneous repairs and maintenance will be undertaken this year- most of the scheduled work will be moved to the next fiscal year, with the rest of the projects to be evaluated during the FY 2025 Budget process and moved to the next fiscal year.



## **FACILITY ISF 10-YEAR MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

MAJOR PROJECTS/REPLACEMEN	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31	Annual Average	General Fund	Water Enterpris e	Wastewat er Enterprise
City Hall	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,250	625	313	313
City Hall East	4,000	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	938	938	-	-
Fort Building	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Town Hall	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	429	214	107	107
Fire Station, Main St	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fire Station, Hwy 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guest House	-	-	-	-	-	-	110,000	-	500	500	-	-
Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,143	3,143	-	-
Noyo Headlands Park	4,500	-	30,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	8,214	8,214	-	-
Pomo Bluffs Park	9,000	-	-	-	-	40,000	-	-	1,125	1,125	-	-
Noyo Beach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corp Yard	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harbor Lite Trail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL major projects	22,500	8,500	30,000	8,000	-	40,000	110,000	-	15,598	14,759	420	420
General Repairs Facilities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL preventative maintenand	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		•	•	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING NEED	\$22,500	\$8,500	\$30,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$110,000	\$0	\$15,598	\$14,759	\$420	\$420

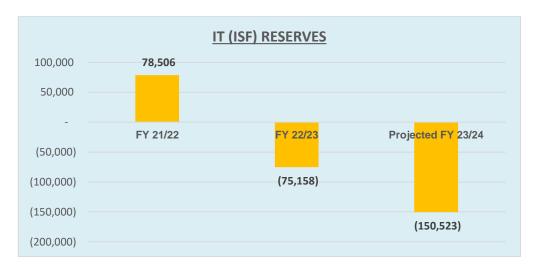
Note: CIP projects that are designated in the "Beyond CIP" category have all been placed in 6th year of the ISF, FY 2023/24

# INTERNAL SERVICE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information technology accounts for all activities of the City's computer networks, the costs of which are distributed among user departments using equitable formulas.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	FY 21/22 Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %		Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)				
Interdepartmental Charges	497,457	577,972	612,088	-	612,088	306,044	306,044	50%	-	612,088	-				
TOTAL REVENUES	497,457	577,972	612,088	-	612,088	306,044	306,044	50%	-	612,088	-				
Personnel Services	101,970	176,260	228,798	-	228,798	114,399	125,060	55%	10,661	228,692	106				
Repairs & Maintenance	1,964	1,862	4,200	-	4,200	2,100	451	0%	(1,649)	4,200	-				
Materials & Supplies	415,508	314,469	425,785	-	425,785	212,893	197,337	46%	(15,556)	461,361	(35,576)				
Contractual Services	390	-	50,000	-	50,000	25,000	4,500	0%	(20,500)	21,200	28,800				
Depreciation	15,450	16,081	-	-	-		-	0%		-	-				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	535,282	508,672	708,783	-	708,783	354,392	327,347	46%	(27,044)	715,453	(6,670)				
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (37,825)	\$ 69,299	\$ (96,695)	\$ -	\$ (96,695)	\$ (48,348)	\$ (21,303)	22%	\$ 27,044	\$ (103,365)	(6,670)				

- No significant variances are expected in the revenue category.
- The Materials and Supplies account covers all expenses related to IT software and hardware essential for maintaining the City's computer networks. Projections indicate that expenditures for this category will surpass the budget by \$35,576 by the end of the fiscal year. This increase reflects the doubling of the City's IT budget over the past two fiscal years, driven by the escalating number of cyber threats targeting organizations globally, irrespective of their size or type. As part of the mid-year Budget request, we are seeking approval to purchase hardware servers for \$29,965, a Cisco XDR system for \$4,462, and make the final payment of \$14,272 for our phone systems.
- Contractual services, are projected to end the year under budget, due to the postponing of work to the next fiscal year. These savings are recommended to offset some of the overages in materials and supplies.



# **INTERNAL SERVICE: FLEET**

Fleet and Equipment services account for all activities of the City's central garage operations, the costs of which are distributed among designated user departments using equitable formulas.

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	Audited FY 2021/22 Actuals	Audited FY 2022/23 Actuals	FY 23/24 Adopted Budget	Approved Net Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Pro Rated Budget as of 12/31/2023	YTD Actual 12/31/2023	Mid-Year Variance %		Estimated Year End	Forecast Surplus/ (Shortfall)
Interdepartmental Charges	342,308	962,994	479,513	-	479,513	239,757	239,757	50%	-	479,513	-
Reimbursements	-	198	5,000		5,000	2,500	2,500	0%	-	106,316	101,316
TOTAL REVENUES	342,308	963,192	479,513	-	484,513	242,257	242,257	50%	-	585,829	(101,316)
Personnel Services	150,409	139,004	132,280	-	132,280	66,140	78,605	59%	12,465	132,280	0
Repairs & Maintenance	51,986	72,845	52,000	-	52,000	26,000	38,630	74%	12,630	87,000	(35,000)
Materials, Fuel & Supplies	99,586	83,155	92,300	-	92,300	46,150	55,328	60%	9,178	102,300	(10,000)
Vehicles	221,526	-	195,000	68,086	263,086	131,543	134,931	51%	3,388	263,086	-
Contractual Services	439	1,797	1,000	-	1,000	500	-	0%	(500)	800	200
Depreciation	69,881	110,391	-		-		-	0%		-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	593,826	407,193	472,580	68,086	540,667	270,333	307,494	57%	37,161	585,467	(44,800)
Net Revenue/(Expense)	\$ (251,518)	\$ 556,000	\$ 6,933	\$ (68,086)	\$ (56,154)	\$ (28,077)	\$ (65,238)	116%	\$ (37,161)	\$ 362	56,516

- USDA Grant Reimburses the City for 50 percent of the vehicle cost. Staff will be applying for the reimbursement of PD vehicles purchased, amounting to \$29,954, and asset forfeiture reimbursements for upfit costs. Total projections for reimbursements from the two funding sources will be \$106,316.
- Fuel prices have once again risen in January and February 2024. With the City's average fuel cost standing at approximately \$8,630 per month, fuel expenses are expected to exceed the budget by \$10,000. A budget request has been submitted to cover these overages.



Vehicle repairs and maintenance average monthly cost is about \$5,150 annually. During the first two quarters, the mechanic repaired the Vactor Truck which incurred unanticipated costs for truck rental and repairs. This expense category is at 74% of the Budget. A budget amendment request of \$35,000 is requested to ensure there are enough funds to cover ongoing repairs and maintenance.

### **RESERVES**

Projected revenues for the Fleet Internal Service Fund are estimated at \$586,000, with expenses totaling \$585,000. This will result in the fund ending the fiscal year with a reserve balance of \$177,313. During the budget development for the next fiscal year, staff will conduct a thorough review of the replacement plan schedule to ensure there are adequate operating revenues to fund the replacement of city vehicles. Additionally, aside from USDA reimbursements, Asset Forfeiture funds can be utilized as an eligible source to cover upfit costs for Police Department vehicles.

# **BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS AT MID-YEAR**

Staff is requesting the following budget adjustments at mid-year. Today, the Council will not be asked to take official action on these requests. However, if the Council agrees, Staff will bring the adjustments back at a future Council meeting, where they will be included on the consent calendar for approval.

		FY:	2023/24 Req		I-Term Budg	et Adjustments	
Account Number	Account Description	Department	Current Budget	Budget Amendmen Request	Budget	Justification	Funding Source
·		i		GENER	AL FUND	II	
XPENDITURES			•				
10-4190-0356	Charge Point	Non-Departmental	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,300		ChargePoint Expenses - damaged equipment	Operating Appropriatio
10-4190-0360	Property Premiun	Non-Departmental	87,331	(4,300		Reduce Budget, Cost Savings based on actuals	Operating Appropriation
		Net	90,331	-	90,331		
Public Works							Operating Appropriatio
10-4330-0310	Engineering	Public Works	\$ 27,041	\$ 9,000		Fire Station Contract for surveying, (exceeds CDBG fundi	
10-4330-0211	Medical Premium	Public Works	149,536	(9,000	-	Reduce Budget- Salary/Cost savings	Operating Appropriation
10-4570-0101	Salaries & Wages -Corp yard		207,325	20,000		Add a FTE-Maintenace Worker I position (Q4), Eliminate	
110-4330-0101	Salaries & Wages -Engineering	_	\$ 703,384	\$ (20,000	•	Reduce Budget- Salary savings	Operating Appropriation
		Net	1,087,286	-	1,087,286		
Police Departme	ent						
10-4200-0101	Salaries & Wages	Police Department	\$ 1,976,398	\$ (122,680	1,853,718	Salary Savings	Operating Appropriation
10-4200-0102	Overtime	Police Department	84,837	81,151	165,988	Increase to Overtime Budget, due to unfilled positions	Operating Appropriation
10-4200-0103	Comp Time	Police Department	34,043	41,529	75,572	Increase to Comp Time Budget, due to unfilled positions	Operating Appropriation
110-4200-0366	Training/Travel Reimb	Police Department	35,000	20,000		Increase to Training & Travel Budget	Operating Appropriation
10-4200-0367	PD Recruit Training	Police Department	40,000	(20,000	20,000	Reduce Budget, Cost Savings, sending recruit to Acader	Operating Appropriation
	-1	Net		\$ -			
Community Dev 110-4320-0101	Salaries & Wages	CDD	\$ 310,933	\$ (30,000	) \$ 280,933	Reduce Budget Salary Savings	Operating Appropriation
110-4320-0101	Professional Services	CDD	18,897	30,000		Planning Consultant - Increase contract	Operating Appropriation Operating Appropriation
10-4320-0319	FIDIESSIDIAI SEIVICES	CDD	329,830	30,000	329,830	Planning Consultant - Increase contract	Operating Appropriation
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110-4130-0319	Professional Services	Administration	366,345	40,000	_	City of Fort Bragg Strategic Plan/Goal Setting 2024-2029	
110-4150-0101	Salaries & Wages	Finance	,	(40,000	-	Reduce Budget- Salary/Cost savings unfilled position	Operating Appropriatio
		Net		\$ -	\$ 329,830		
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710-4712-0360	Insurance	Wastewater		\$ 42,012		Property Insurance * Pay with Budget savings	Operating Appropriatio
710-4712-0231	Workers compensation	Wastewater	43,888	(19,375	-	Cost savings in workers compensation (actuals)	Operating Appropriatio
710-4712-0376	Medical Safety Supplies	Wastewater	7,000	(4,000		Cost savings based on YTD and projections for the remains	
710-4712-0366	Training and Travel	Wastewater	6,000	(5,000	<i>'</i>	Cost savings based on YTD and projections for the remains	
710-4712-0220	Pers	Wastewater	\$ 93,978	\$ (25,592	_	Cost savings in PERS (actuals)	Operating Appropriation
		Net		\$ (11,955			
310-4812-4111	IT Costs		25,496	24,581	TERPRISE (810 50,077	1.	Operating Appropriation
310-4812-0365	Printing & Copying		8,000	(4,000		IT Costs to improve Network and CV Starr  Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation Operating Appropriation
810-4812-0343			25,000	5,000		Increase in chemical costs	Operating Appropriation
	Pool Side Supplies		9,300	(4,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4815-0375	General Supplies		4,000	(3,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4812-0311	Legal Costs		2,000	5,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4812-0366	Training and Travel		9,000	(6,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4812-0351	Equipment Repair and Maint		5,000	(5,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4815-0373	License and permits		8,000	(5,000		Reduce Budget amount, based on Actuals Q1 & Q2	Operating Appropriation
310-4815-0751	CV Starr CIP		1,992,402	(1,586,420		HVAC System engineering only this fiscal year.	Capital Reserve- CV Sta
		Net		\$(1,578,839			<u> </u>
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21-4394-0384	Licensing, Software & Maint	П	\$ 313,673	\$ 18,734		Cisco XDR \$4,462.50, Phone \$14,272	Operating Appropriation
21-4394-0319	Professional Services	П	50,000	(28,800	•	Reduce Budget, postpone project to next fiscal year.	Operating Appropriation
21-4394-0382	Hardware Expenses	П	55,392	29,965		Hardware Server \$29,965.42	Operating Appropriation
			\$ 419,065	,		<u></u>	
				FLEET-	· ISF (522)		
22-4550-0352	Vehicle Repairs	Fleet -ISF	\$ 40,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 75,000	Unanticipated Vac truck repairs and rental. Monthy parts and repair avg. \$5,150.	
22-4550-0382	Fuel & Lubricants	Fleet -ISF	\$ 90,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 100,000	Increases in fuel costs	
			\$ 130,000	,			
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## The FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET PREPARATION

#### A. BUDGET PREPARATION SCHEDULE

Initial activities related to preparing the Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget are underway. The direction provided today by the Council will be incorporated into the budget draft. Staff will present a draft budget to the Council and the public at a budget workshop in May. The further direction provided at the workshop will be incorporated into a "Final" budget that will be presented to the Council for consideration of adoption in June. The complete budget calendar is provided below:

# SCHEDULE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FY 2024/25 BUDGET

ACTIVITY	DEADLINE
FINANCE PROVIDES BUDGET SPREADSHEETS TO DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS INSTRUCTIONS RE: NARRATIVES &	
CAPITAL PROJECTS (INCLUDING INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS, GRANTS, DDAs)	2/25/2024
MID-YEAR PERFORMANCE BUDGET REVIEW WITH COUNCIL ( 2PM-5pm) (COMMUNITY INPUT)	3/20/2024
FINANCE PROVIDES INITIAL REVENUE FORECASTS TO CM (ALL REVENUE SOURCES, AND FUNDS)	3/31/2024
DEPTS SUBMIT PROPOSED DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE BUDGETS AND NARRATIVES TO FINANCE	4/12/2024
PW & CDD SUBMIT COMPLETED BUDGET SECTIONS FOR GRANTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS	4/12/2024
HR PROVIDES PAYROLL PROJECTIONS INCLUDING BENEFITS	4/19/2024
CM & FINANCE MEET WITH All DEPTS; REVIEW APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS	4/15/2024 thru 4/19/2024
CM & FINANCE FOLLOW UP MEETING CIP	4/21/2023
FINANCE POSTS REVISED BUDGET WORKSHEETS IN BUDGET FOLDER;	4/22/2024
DEPARTMENTS REVIEW REVISED EXP WORKSHEETS; REPORT ANY DISCREPANCIES TO FINANCE THIS INCLUDES	
PROJECTED YEAR END FOR FY23, GRANTS; CAPITAL PROJECTS, ETC	4/22/2023
FINANCE REVIEWS TOTAL REVENUES vs EXPENDITURES WITH CM - ADJUST AS NECESSARY;	4/26/2024
INTERNAL REVIEW/QUALITY CONTROL (FINANCE, CM, DEPTS) - DRAFT BUDGET DOCUMENT	4/15/2024 thru 5/10/2024
FINALIZE DRAFT BUDGET DOCUMENT	5/17/2024
CM COMPLETES BUDGET TRANSMITTAL LETTER	5/17/2024
FINANCE DISTRIBUTES PROPOSED FY 2023/24 Draft BUDGET	5/22/2024
CITY COUNCIL CONDUCTS FY 2024/25 BUDGET HEARING WORKSHOP (COMMUNITY INPUT)	5/29/2024
FINANCE DISTRIBUTES FY 2024/25 BUDGET INCLUDING COUCIL AND PUBLIC UPDATES (FOR COUNCIL ADOPTION)	6/6/2024
CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS FY 2024/25 BUDGET	6/10/2024

## **B. PRIORITIZED LIST OF FINANCIAL GOALS**

Staff used the prioritized list as guidance in preparing the FY2024 budget and will again use the list in preparing the FY 2024/25 budget unless the Council directs otherwise:

- 1) Adopt a balanced budget (ongoing expenditures should be supported by ongoing revenues.

  Accordingly, one-time revenues/grants should not be used for ongoing expenditures continuously)
- 2) Provide additional contributions to the Section 115 Trust to help pay the unfunded liability
- 3) Maintain operating reserve (20% of operating Exp) and litigation reserve (\$200k)
- 4) Provide additional funding for emergency reserves (10% of Operating Expenditures)
- 5) Maintain current level of service (no staff layoffs, no program cuts)
- 6) Provide cost of living adjustments for Staff in years to come

## C. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION

## **Long-term forecast**

Sales tax revenues have decreased slightly in recent months, but this is inevitable in the face of declining inflation. Ultimately, such declines are often mitigated by the increases in other revenue sources. For instance, property taxes are counter-cyclical to a high inflation environment, so when high inflation abates, interest rates will also fall creating higher value to homeowners and greater tax revenues to the City as well as relieving pressure on those unwilling to refinance in a high-rate environment. This means more revenue through property development and existing home sales.

Although the City still faces significant needs for services and capital improvements, it remains in a strong financial position with reserves over the Council's 25% goal to meet unforeseen needs. Also, it is important to note that the pension cost calculated in this forecast uses the latest actuarial report issued in June 2023 and through June 30, 2022, which reflects -6.1% investment loss that was reported by CalPERS for the fiscal year ending June 20, 2022. Such losses are driving significant increases to the City's unfunded accrued liability (UAL) determined by CalPERS. Pension costs have been projected to increase in 24/25 and thereafter as a result of new Unfunded liability (UAL) added by the -7.5% return recorded by CALPERS and almost 0% return projected for 2023.

This is an estimated 1% higher than prior CalPERS estimates to factor in the yet unknown impact of CalPERS not reaching the target earnings rate for the last two years. The target earnings rate is 6.8% but the investment return for FY 2018-19 was 6.7% FY 2019-20, just 4.7% and a very strong performance of 21.3% for FY 2020/21. Over a 20-year period, the overall CalPERS fund performance has averaged just 5.5%. The unfunded pension liability for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2023, is \$6.4 million.

Like most cities in California, Fort Bragg will see increases in its unfunded liability in 2024/25 payments with little or no reduction in the overall unfunded liability helped by the City adopting a Pension Policy and issued \$11.4 million in taxable Lease Revenue Bonds in 2021 to restructure the UAL Debt with CALPERS. Proceeds of \$7.5 million were used to reduce the City's unfunded pension liability, with an additional \$3.5 million set aside for City projects which were later returned to reduce the City's debt. The record positive CalPERS investment return mentioned above, the \$7.5 million liability payment, and the setting up of a Section 115 Trust with PARS placed the City in a better position to manage pension obligations. However, recent negative returns by CALPERS in June 2022 have caused UAL to increase.

The table on the following page includes three years of audited results for context as well as projected results for six additional years into the future. Four "what-if" scenarios are provided, showing possible long-term results if certain revenue enhancements were enacted.

In Fiscal Year 2018-19, the citizens of Fort Bragg voted on a ballot initiative entitled Measure H. Measure H was a proposed general sales tax aimed at closing the budget gap caused by skyrocketing pension costs. With additional revenue, the City planned to enter into a shorter amortization schedule with CalPERS for payment of unfunded liabilities. Although this would have resulted in a higher annual payment, it would have saved the City nearly \$4 million of interest cost over 15 years. Measure H was not successful.

With the defeat of Measure H, the City took steps to close the budget gap on the expenditure side. The Administrative Services department eliminated the position of Administrative Services Director and the Police Lieutenant. Additionally, in FY 2019-20, the Community Development Director terminated employment with the City, this position was replaced with a lower-cost Planner position.

The City's General Fund operated at a record surplus for FY 2020/21, and the fund balance improved by nearly \$1.5 million. The Surplus was the result of deep budget cuts early in the Pandemic, which reduced Staff and services and the previously discussed increases in TOT and sales tax revenue as tourism rebounded. In May, 2020, the City laid off four full-time employees, froze two positions in the Police Department, and furloughed

another twelve employees, 50% to 75% of their regular hours. The furloughed Staff was returned to full-time status in August 2020, but several of the laid-off positions remain vacant. In addition, the City did not replace two positions (Finance Director and Assistant City Engineer) that became open in late June. As the reliance and demand for City services continue to grow, one of the challenges the City faces is the same as many other employers – recruiting and retaining qualified Staff.

The City adopted a balanced General Fund budget for FY 2022 and projected a small surplus of \$47k and \$175k in FY 22/23. While the Surplus was small, the budget included \$150k to pay down pension obligations, a budget for the Police Chief position, and a new City Manager position with relatively modest revenue projections.

The long-term forecast indicates that in the next year or two, the City will likely be able to fill budgeted or realized deficits with appropriated fund balance. Revenue enhancements and/or additional cost-cutting measures will likely be necessary within two years. The long-term forecast includes four "what-if" scenarios showing the effect of a variety of different <a href="https://pythodo.org/hypothetical">hypothetical</a> revenue generators and cost reductions. Staff recommends that the City Council pursue a general sales tax measure again at the next opportunity or identify new sources of revenues.

In addition to pursuing a general sales tax measure, the City could leverage accumulated funds from the internal service funds, enterprise funds, debt borrowings, and other expense reductions or revenue-generating opportunities.

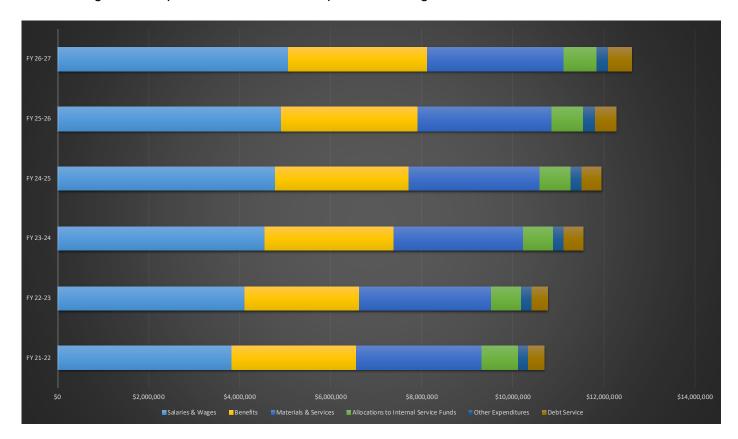
The General Fund's main revenue source of transient occupancy taxes and sales tax are exceeding initial expectations, however recently there has been a slowdown in property sales and higher property valuations. Sales taxes increase but at a lower level than in previous years. Uncertainties that may impact future operating positions are listed in the following table with actions to manage these uncertainties.

Uncertainty	Actions to Manage/Mitigate this Uncertainty
Inflation	Seek other revenue sources or adjust service fees to
	offset increases in costs
Economic Downturn/Recession	Maintain a General Fund Emergency & Operating
	Reserves at 25%
Future Police Association Contract	Maintain a positive operating position to absorb larger cost
Costs 2024	increases in the future
Future SEIU Contract Costs 2025	Maintain a positive operating position to absorb larger cost
	increases in the future
Service Changes/Council Priorities:	Seek other revenue sources or adjust service fees or
-Housing	levels to offset increases
-Infrastructure	
-Broadband	
-Pension Unfunded Liability	

These uncertainties could create annual impacts on the General Fund and its operating position. The Long Term Financial Plan is to be informational and act as a guide to Council, management, and citizens as decisions are made.

The Long Range Financial Forecast sets the stage for the upcoming budget process, facilitating the City Council to consider strategic priorities and allocate resources appropriately. This Long Range Financial Forecast is not intended as a budget nor as a proposed plan. The forecast is based on current service levels, doesn't factor in future development, and uses general assumptions that may be different than actual amounts.

The following charts depict the General Fund expenditure categories.



	City of Fort	Bragg Gene	era	Fund Five	e Y	ear Foreca	ast						
		FY 21-22		FY 22-23		FY 23-24	FY 24-25		FY 25-26		FY 26-27		FY 27-28
		Audited		Audited		Forecast	Forecast		Forecast		Forecast		Forecast
Revenue:	Sales Tax	\$ 2,215,161	\$	2,146,975		1,959,500	1,979,095		2,048,363		2,120,056		2,194,258
	Property Tax	1,150,352		1,136,219		1,150,257	1,150,257		1,161,760		1,173,377		1,185,111
	Transient Occupancy Tax	3,444,990		3,192,486		3,242,118	3,258,329		3,421,245		3,455,457		3,490,012
	Reimbursements	3,333,187		3,278,393		3,341,622	3,341,622		3,341,622		3,341,622		3,341,622
	All Other Revenue Sources	1,071,911		2,037,151		2,550,689	2,550,689		2,576,196		2,601,958		2,627,977
	Total Revenue	11,215,601		11,791,224		11,720,423	12,279,992		12,549,186		12,692,471		12,838,980
Expenditures:	Salaries & Wages	3,831,953		4,114,364		4,550,423	4,777,944		4,921,282		5,068,921		5,170,299
	Benefits	2,728,147		2,508,092		2,843,131	2,928,425		2,986,993		3,046,733		3,107,668
	Materials & Services	2,762,347		2,903,529		2,832,433	2,889,082		2,946,863		3,005,801		3,065,917
	Allocations to Internal Service Funds	789,396		649,295		656,999	676,709		697,010		717,921		739,458
	Other Expenditures	216,637		230,533		230,971	242,520		249,795		257,289		265,008
	Debt Service	358,337		364,131		442,513	433,348		465,555		521,910		561,409
	Total Expenses	10,686,817		10,769,944		11,556,470	11,948,027		12,267,500		12,618,574		12,909,759
Net Transfers:				-		-	-				-		
	Net Increase (Decrease) to Fund Balance	528,784		1,021,280		163,953	331,964		281,686		73,896		(70,778)
	Other restricted funds	3,879,236		(3,638,178)		-	-		-		-		-
	Beginning Fund Balance	4,184,215		8,592,235		5,975,337	6,139,290		6,471,255		6,752,941		6,826,837
	Ending Fund Balance	\$ 8,592,235	\$	5,975,337	\$	6,139,290	\$ 6,471,255	\$	6,752,941	\$	6,826,837	\$	6,756,059
Storm Drain		718,784		1,211,280		353,953	521,964		471.686		263.896		119,222
Enterprise \$190k		\$ 4,902,999	\$		\$	6,468,232	\$ 6,990,197	\$		\$	7,254,093	\$	7.581,105
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Parcel Tax		958,784		1,451,280		593,953	761,964		711,686		503.896		359,222
\$430k/yr.		\$ 5,142,999	\$	6,594,279	\$	7,188,232	\$ 7,950,197	_	8,661,883	\$	8,454,093	\$	9,021,105
1% TOT Tax		667,232		1,340,529		653,828	826,738		793,777		585,987		459,236
\$310k/yr.		\$ 4,851,447	\$	6,191,976	\$	6,845,804	\$ 7,672,542	\$	8,466,319	\$	8,258,529	\$	8,925,554
3/8 cent General		736,455		1,826,396		898,766	1,074,125		1,049,822		868,917		752,068
Sales Tax <b>\$800k/yr</b> .		\$ 4,920,671	\$	6,747,066	\$	7,645,832			9,769,779	\$	10,638,696	\$	

