



Business Briefing: City of Federal Way

The Mayor's Proposed Budget, Mayor Jim Ferrell
City Council Priorities, Council President Susan Honda

Presented October 19, 2020

Mayor's 2021/2022 Biennial Budget

**Presented by:
Mayor Ferrell
September 15, 2020**

Mayor's Priorities

- Security of residents and property
- Maintain a clean and litter-free city
- Avoid layoff of current staff; maintain current level of service
- Fully fund most reserve accounts
- Have a structurally balanced budget
- Continue recovery from COVID crisis

Security of residents and property

- Adequately fund Police to respond to current needs of the community
- Increase number of officers from 134 to 137
- Adequate funding for Jail Service (70 ADP)



Security of residents and property - continued

- Improvements To Dumas Bay Center & Federal Way Community Center
- Increase funding for Network security, backup and system, and staff support
- Funding for new Shop facility study and design



Maintain Current Level of Service

- Maintain current staffing level; avoid layoffs
- Maintain GOV QA Public Records System
- Maintain “Eyes on Federal Way” customer service app
- Maintain additional 2 FTEs for litter cleanup/removal
- Equipment/supplies to keep staff and customers safe



Keeping Non-represented Employees

- Imperative we maintain institutional knowledge
- 3-percent Cost of Living increase to prevent further salary erosion



Fully fund most reserve accounts

- Structurally balanced budget
- Maintaining fund balance requirements
 - General Fund
 - REET
 - Utility Tax Fund
 - Prop 1
 - Red Light
 - Risk Management
 - Health Insurance



Bond Capital Projects

- Study & Design of Public Works' Shop \$250k/250k
- IT Backup & Security Contract \$175k/25k
- Steel Lake Maintenance Facility \$143.2k/0
- Dumas Bay HVAC & Windows \$20k/70k
- FWCC Water Heater \$33k

Total \$621.2k/\$345k

\$966.2

Refinance two old bonds to lower annual payments:

- FWCC 2013 GO Bond \$8.3 million
- 2017 GO Bond \$5.7 million

Public Works highlights

- Funds for essential repairs to current Steel Lake Maintenance Facility
- Addition of 2 Surface Water Management FTEs (No General Fund money)
- Purchase of Vector Vacuum truck with SWM funds



Parks and Rec highlights

- Conversion of 2 Parks FTEs (from .5 Facilities and .75 Park Maintenance)
- Array of water heater replacements at FWCC
- Lakota Park parking lot replacement



Community Development highlights

- Loss of 1 FTE Associate Planner (vacant position)
- 1 FTE reclassification/addition from Development Specialist to Permit Technician to improve efficiency
- Addition of 1 FTE Graffiti Technician



Information Technology

highlights

- IT security focus
 - Security contract services
 - City-wide security awareness training
 - Multi-factor authentication
 - Darktrace Network protection (AI)
- IT Department staff reorganization
- New Helpdesk software for increased efficiency



Recovery from COVID-19 crisis

- Closed Community Center in March
- Laid off part-time employees at facilities
- Some employees brought back with openings
- Acquired equipment that promote remote work



Actions taken to generate solvency

- Departure from SCORE Jail contract (\$2 million in savings)
- Water and Sewer tax judgement (\$1 million in ongoing revenue)
- Utility tax on Solid Waste and Recycling Services
- Debt Management

COVID-19 community support

- \$88,500 in emergency funding (March 2020) for food, housing, homeless services, mental health
- Multi-Service Center: \$45,000
- Catholic Community Services: \$25,500
- Federal Way Senior Center: \$18,000

CARES ACT funds

- Small Business Assistance Grants
\$481,000 in first round; approximately
\$400,000 in second round (\$1K and \$2k
grants)



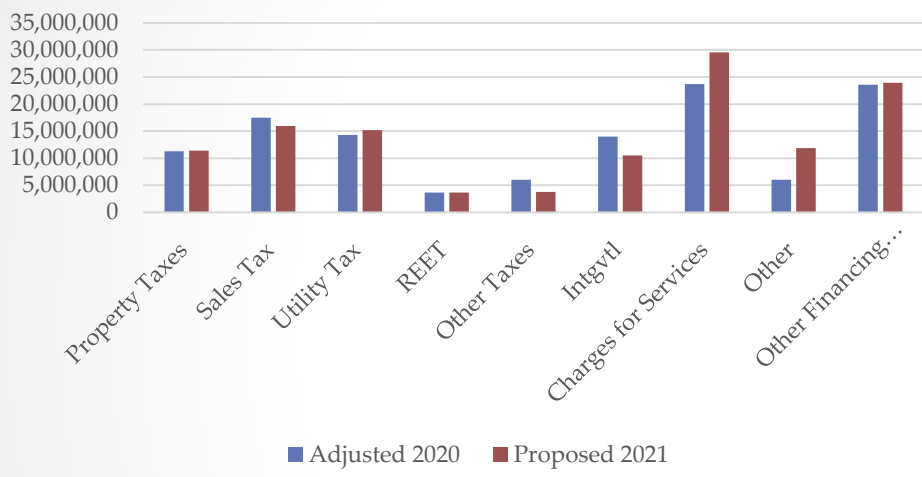
CARES ACT funds

- Rental assistance distributed through El Centro de la Raza (\$500,000)
- Financial support for local Childcare providers (up to \$15K per provider)



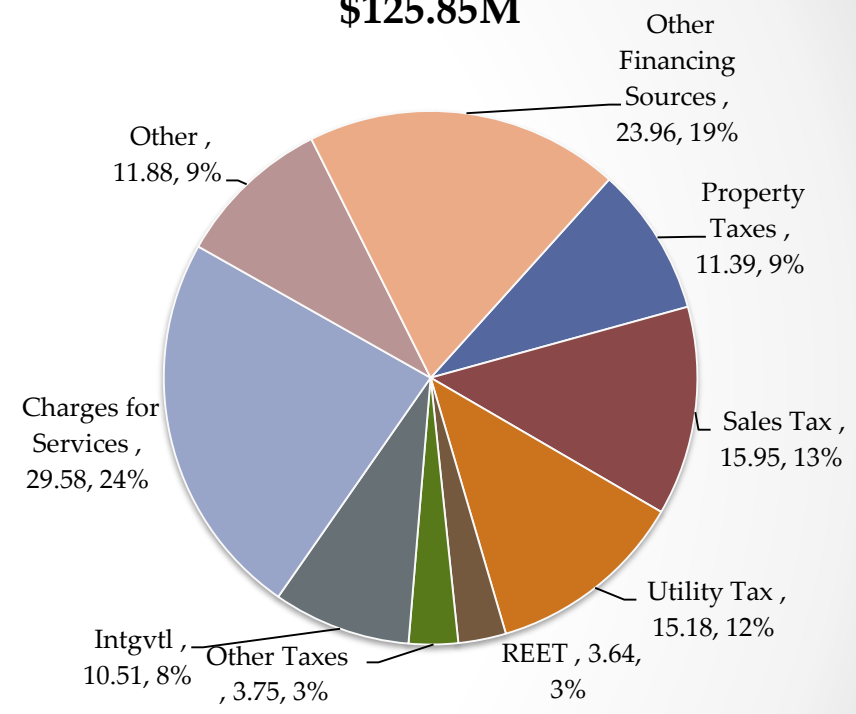
Operational budget pie chart

Revenue



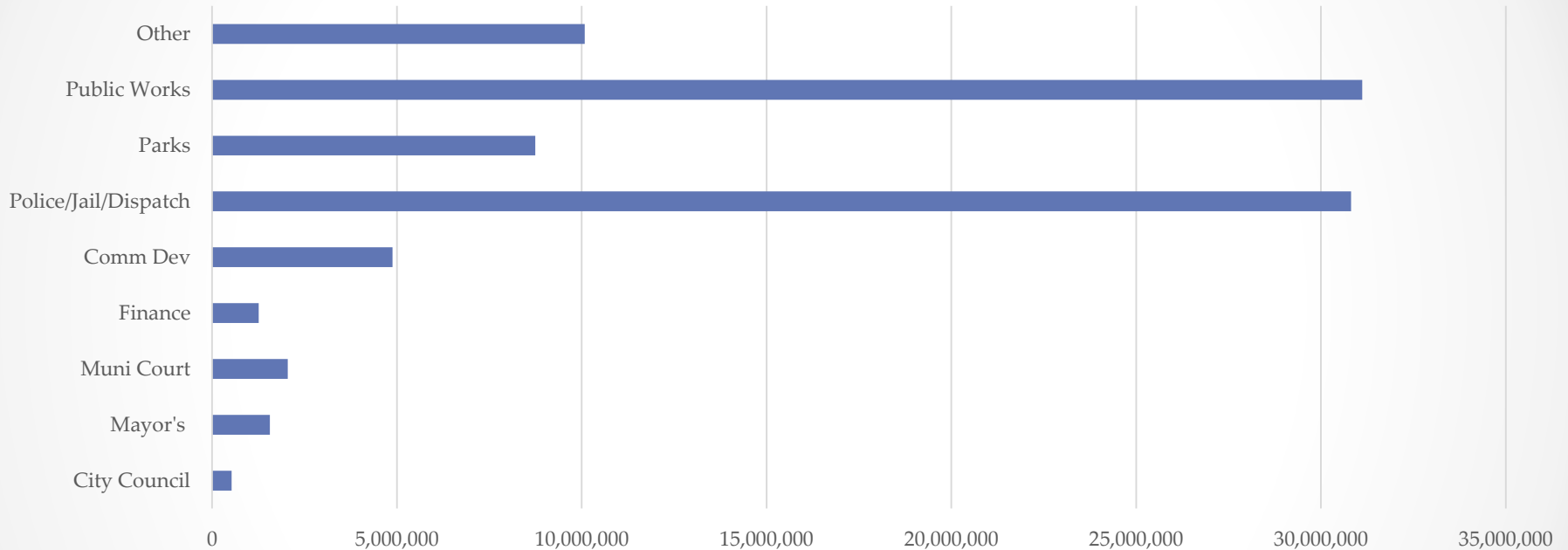
All Funds 2021 Revenues

\$125.85M



Operational budget chart

Proposed 2021 Expenditures



CONCLUSION

- A good city budget is not necessarily to fund everything but to have structurally balanced one while providing for its residents.
- This proposed budget is generally structurally balanced.
- This budget is available on City's website:

<https://www.cityoffederalway.com/budget>

Questions?

Thank You!

City Council Goals

Presented by Council President Susan Honda



CITIZENS OF FEDERAL WAY

CITY COUNCIL

Susan Honda, Council President

Position #1 – Lydia Assefa-Dawson

Position #2 – Greg Baruso

Position #3 – Hoang Tran

Position #5 –Vacant

Position #6 – Martin A. Moore

Position #7 – Linda Kochmar

- Represents the People of Federal Way
- Adopts Ordinances and Resolutions
- Grants Franchises
- Levies Taxes and Appropriate Funds
- Establishes Policies
- Approves the City Budget
- Appoints Commissioners
- Confirms Mayoral Appointees

Executive Assistant to the Council

Jeri-Lynn Clark

0.70 FTE

- Support for Council

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- Finance, Economic Development, and Regional Affairs (FEDRAC)
- Land Use and Transportation (LUTC)
- Parks, Recreation, Human Services, and Public Safety (PRHSP)

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- Arts Commission
 - Diversity Commission
 - Ethics Board
 - Human Services Commission
 - Independent Salary Commission
 - Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC)
 - Parks and Recreation Commission
 - Planning Commission
 - Senior Advisory Commission
 - Youth Commission
 - North Lake & Steel Lake Management District Advisory Committee
- (Civil Service Commission reports to Mayor)

Council Goals for the City

Vision Statement

As a fast growing tech hub, Federal Way offers an ideal lifestyle for families and businesses.

- Increase sustainable revenue streams to fully fund the city budget, programs and infrastructure.
- Address public safety issues for residents and businesses.
- City government will develop a plan to realize our 2030 vision of becoming a tech hub.
- Develop a plan to site the OMF at the Midway Landfill in coordination with South King County Cities.

*Goals from the 2020 Council Retreat

Memberships

Local, Regional & National

- Associated Cities of Washington (AWC)
- Sound Cities Association (SCA)
- Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC)
- National League of Cities (NLC)



Regional & Local Representation Cont.

- AWC Large City Committee
- Co-State Director for National Foundation for Women Legislators
- Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force (DVI)
- Economic Development District Board
- Federal Way Domestic Violence Task Force
- Highline Forum
- King County Board of Health
- Regional Law, Safety and Justice Committee
- SCA Events Committee
- SCA Public Issues Committee (PIC)
- South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd)
- Senior Advisory Commission

Questions ?