



Staff Report

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2027-2028 General Fund Budget Outlook

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BACKGROUND: This presentation will provide the City Council with a comprehensive overview of the 2027-2028 General Fund Budget Outlook, including early baseline revenue assumptions and projected operational expenses.

SUMMARY: The City of Camas operates under a biennial budget process in compliance with the City’s established financial policies. This structured, six-month process culminates in a two-year budget recommended by the Mayor, with consideration and approval of the City Council in accordance with state law. This initial presentation is designed to provide key stakeholders with a clear overview of the economic conditions informing our fiscal approach and the baseline assumptions being made as a result. This collaborative process will ultimately culminate in an approved 2027-2028 Budget.

STRATEGIC PLAN: This item officially kicks off the budgeting process. Updating the budget is a core component of “reviewing and updating financial policies annually”, which is designated as goal item #1 under Economic Prosperity – ensuring long-term financial stability.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: The current economic landscape presents an increasing number of structural risk factors that are actively contributing to a challenging budget picture. To address these pressures proactively, staff will cover a range of fiscal stabilization options with Council. These strategies may be brought back to Council for formal consideration at a later date to help secure the City’s long-term financial position.

BUDGET IMPACT: This presentation has no immediate fiscal impact; it serves strictly as the informational and administrative preparation for the upcoming 2027-2028 Biennial Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: This presentation is for Council information regarding future presentations, workshops, and formal actions required for the development and adoption of the 2027-2028 Budget.