



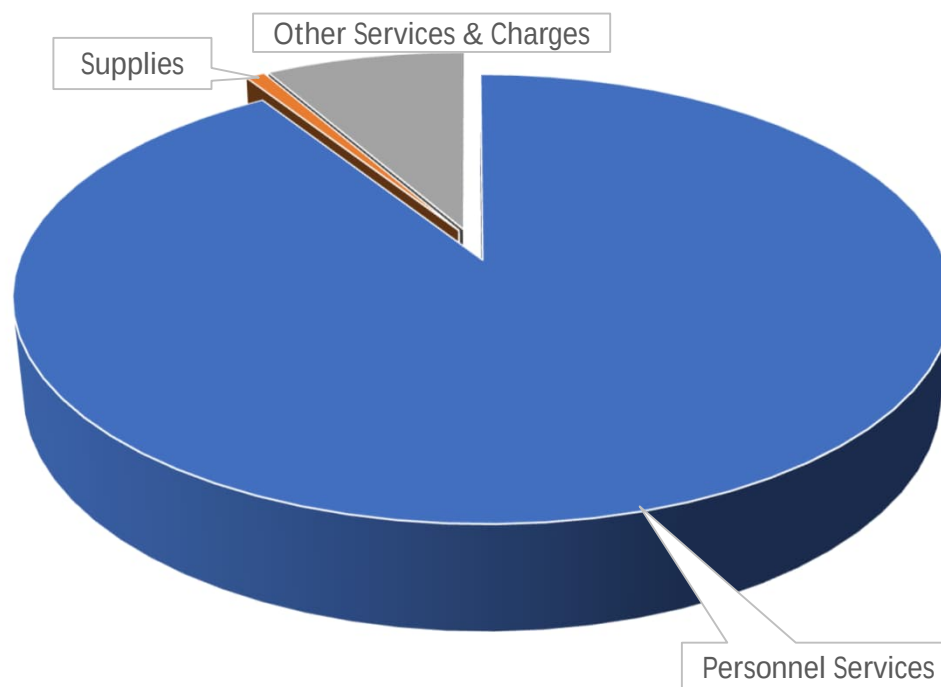
City of Columbia Heights 2027 Finance Division Proposed Budget

Finance Division

- Finance Department
- Utility Billing
- General Government
- Municipal Liquor

2027 Finance Dept Proposed Budget

- \$1,278,700 Total
- Increase of 5%, net of the citywide reclassification of I/T costs
- Driven by labor agreements



2027 Utility Billing Proposed Budget

	Adopted Budget 2026	Proposed Budget 2027	Change Amount 2027	Change Percentage 2027
Water Fund portion	247,600	283,700	36,100	15%
Sewer Fund portion	247,600	261,000	13,400	5%
Refuse Fund portion ★	183,400	195,000	11,600	6%
TOTALS	678,600	739,700	61,100	9%

★ Refuse portion is reported within the Public Works Division Budget

2027 General Government Proposed Budget

	Adopted Budget 2026	Proposed Budget 2027	Change Amount 2027	Change Percentage 2027
City hall occupancy and supplies	196,200	233,400	37,200★	19%
Allowance for contingencies	50,000	50,000	-	0%
590 40th Ave NE holding costs	42,700	45,100	2,400	6%

★ Maintenance est. \$20,000; I/T reclass \$7,000; all other \$10,000 inflation

2027 Proposed General Fund Transfers to Other Funds

- \$100,000 To Parks Capital Fund
- \$363,000 to Planning & Inspections Fund
 - o For planning, inspections & code enforcement not funded by fees and fines
- \$600,000 to Infrastructure Fund
 - o In lieu of street assessments
- \$0 to I/T Internal Service Fund
 - o Reclassified to individual depts. Previously \$450,000/yr

2027 Municipal Liquor Proposed Budget

	Actual 2024	Actual 2025	Budget 2026	Budget 2027
Sales	9,668,000	9,441,000	10,376,000	10,231,000
Cost of goods sold	7,164,000	6,950,000	7,573,000	7,437,000
Gross profit	2,504,000	2,491,000	2,803,000	2,794,000
Gross profit % of sales	25.9%	26.4%	27.0%	27.3%

Refer to speaker's notes on the above table

2027 Municipal Liquor Proposed Budget

	Actual 2024	Actual 2025	Budget 2026	Budget 2027
Personnel services	1,403,800	1,484,900	1,546,500	1,572,200
Supplies, excluding cost of goods	35,000	41,600	39,000	43,600
Other services & charges	669,700	679,500	721,700	731,200
Operating exp - all stores combined	2,108,500	2,206,000	2,307,200	2,347,000

2027 Combined operating expense increase of \$39,800 or 1.7%

2027 Municipal Liquor Promotional Plan

- Recommend retaining brand name
 - o Emphasizing community benefit of municipal ownership vs. national corp. profit extraction
 - o Avoid incentivizing Fridley and St. Anthony residents to shop at their respective municipal stores



2027 Municipal Liquor Promotional Plan

- Pair existing name with Tag line
 - o Top Valu Liquor
 - *Builds Community Value*
- Signage crediting customers collective accomplishments



10 Years of Top Valu Customer Purchases

- \$500,000 in street improvements
- \$235,000 in new city vehicles
- \$3,200,000 in city property
- \$100,000 in community-based public safety programs
- Partnerships with other community organizations

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Additional information at pages 72 through 76 of the City Manager's 2027 Proposed Budget

<https://www.columbiaheightsmn.gov/CityBudget>