



# **CONSIDERATION OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

November 4, 2025, General Election

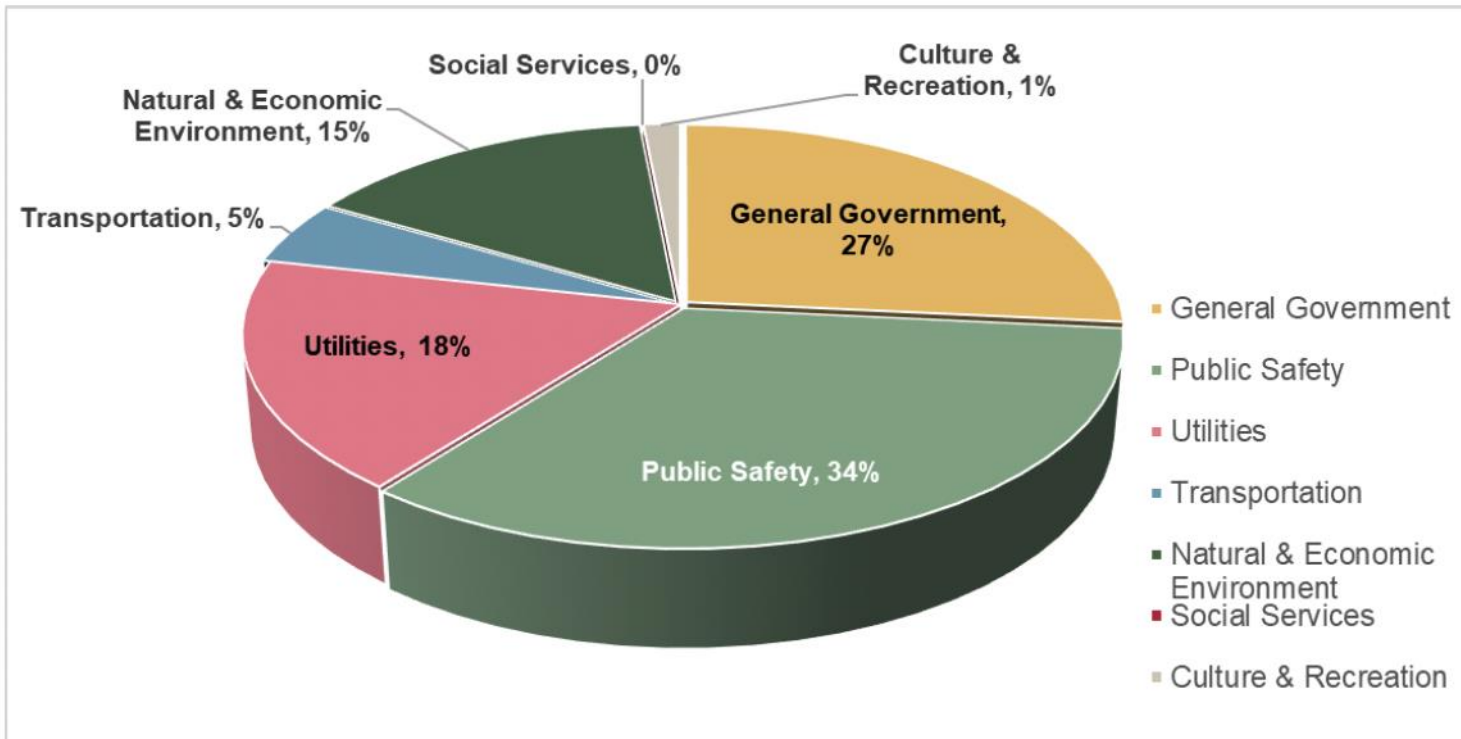


# Budget Challenges

- Inflation has risen nearly 24% in four years.
- Without a vote of approval by LFP residents, the city's revenue growth is limited by state law to 1%, which for 2025 amounted to \$34,500.
- During the 2023/2024 Biennium, the city realized the following cost increases, beyond inflation.
  - 911 dispatch services increased \$284,000 per year.
  - Jail costs increased \$197,000 per year.
  - Insurance costs rose by over \$109,000 per year in 2023 and again by \$84,000 per year in 2024.

# Budget Challenges

*Citywide Expenditures by Category, All Funds*



- Public Safety = 34% of budgeted expenses
  - Officers & gear
  - 911 dispatch services
  - Mental health crisis response
  - Jail costs
  - Insurance
  - Patrol vehicles
  - Prosecuting attorney
  - Public defenders



# Budget Challenges

- The 2024/2025 Biennial budget cut approximately \$455,000 in needed staffing, fleet services and operations.
- Despite these cuts, a nearly \$900,000 annual deficit remained, funded with savings.

# Budget Challenges

- \$0.24

Impact on Homeowner					
	Value	Div/1,000	Increase	Monthly	Annually
	\$ 514,000.00	\$ 514.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 10.28	\$ 123.36
	\$ 614,000.00	\$ 614.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 12.28	\$ 147.36
	\$ 714,000.00	\$ 714.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 14.28	\$ 171.36
	\$ 814,000.00	\$ 814.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 16.28	\$ 195.36
2025 Median Home Value	\$ 914,000.00	\$ 914.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 18.28	\$ 219.36
	\$ 1,114,000.00	\$ 1,114.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 22.28	\$ 267.36
	\$ 1,214,000.00	\$ 1,214.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 24.28	\$ 291.36
	\$ 1,314,000.00	\$ 1,314.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 26.28	\$ 315.36
	\$ 1,414,000.00	\$ 1,414.00	\$ 0.24	\$ 28.28	\$ 339.36

# Budget Challenges

- \$0.26

Impact on Homeowner						
	Value	Div/1,000	Increase	Monthly	Annually	
	\$ 514,000.00	\$ 514.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 11.14	\$ 133.64	
	\$ 614,000.00	\$ 614.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 13.30	\$ 159.64	
	\$ 714,000.00	\$ 714.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 15.47	\$ 185.64	
	\$ 814,000.00	\$ 814.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 17.64	\$ 211.64	
2025 Median Home Value	\$ 914,000.00	\$ 914.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 19.80	\$ 237.64	
	\$ 1,114,000.00	\$ 1,114.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 24.14	\$ 289.64	
	\$ 1,214,000.00	\$ 1,214.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 26.30	\$ 315.64	
	\$ 1,314,000.00	\$ 1,314.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 28.47	\$ 341.64	
	\$ 1,414,000.00	\$ 1,414.00	\$ 0.26	\$ 30.64	\$ 367.64	



# Budget Challenges

- \$0.28

Impact on Homeowner					
	Value	Div/1,000	Increase	Monthly	Annually
	\$ 514,000.00	\$ 514.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 11.99	\$ 143.92
	\$ 614,000.00	\$ 614.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 14.33	\$ 171.92
	\$ 714,000.00	\$ 714.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 16.66	\$ 199.92
	\$ 814,000.00	\$ 814.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 18.99	\$ 227.92
2025 Median Home Value	\$ 914,000.00	\$ 914.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 21.33	\$ 255.92
	\$ 1,114,000.00	\$ 1,114.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 25.99	\$ 311.92
	\$ 1,214,000.00	\$ 1,214.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 28.33	\$ 339.92
	\$ 1,314,000.00	\$ 1,314.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 30.66	\$ 367.92
	\$ 1,414,000.00	\$ 1,414.00	\$ 0.28	\$ 32.99	\$ 395.92