PRE-2020 BUDGET

Information for discussion prior to preparing the 2020-2021 Operations Budget





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"If you fail to plan you are planning to fail"
- Ben Franklin







What does it mean to have FISCAL HEALTH?

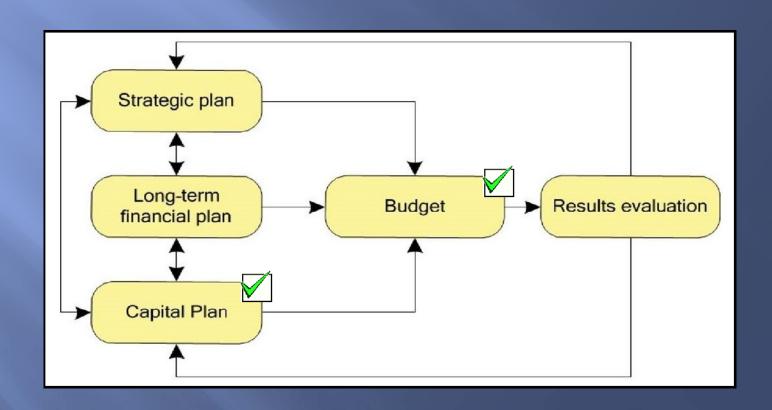
- Healthy Reserves on ALL key Funds
- Prudent Fiscal Policies
- Monitor Revenue & Control Expenses
- Maintain Manageable Debt
- Financially Compliant
- Plan Strategically



It's not just spending it's planning and managing



GFOA Planning Components





Economic Pressures

- Economists are talking about
 - Interest rates have dropped swiftly
 - Mixed Signals Regarding Potential Recession
 - Many say the average is 21 months between a rate curve inversion and a recession
 - Labor and Wage pressures
 - Wages >3% in private sector 2019 (City 2.36%)
 - Budget has City Employees getting 1.61% in 2020
 - Current projection is for City employees to get 0.73% increase in 2021 (Based on estimated 4% CIT growth in 2019; ending waived/deferred estimated tax payment program will likely have some impact on this percentage)

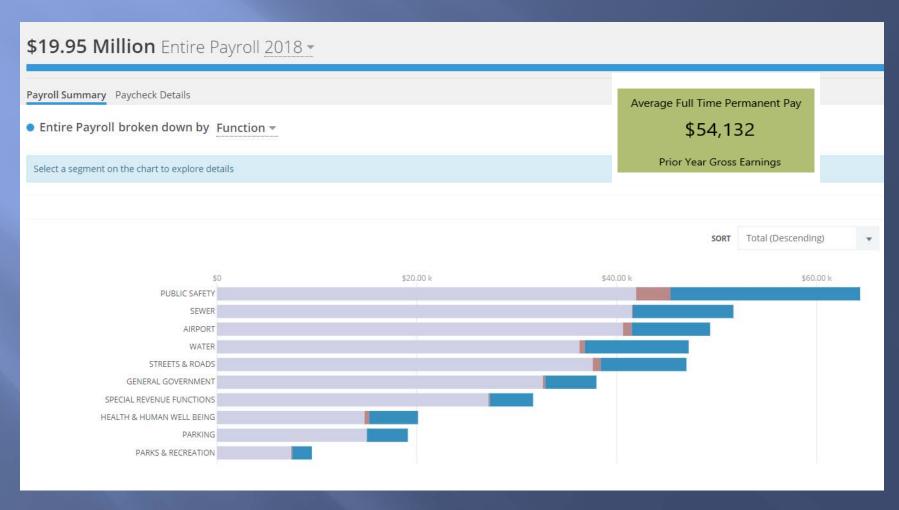


| | 2019 | 2018 _{12/31} | 2017 _{12/31} | 2016 _{12/31} | 2012 _{12/31} |
|----------------------------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Full Time | 314 | 315 | 300 | 293 | 310 |
| Part Time Permanent | 9 | 12 | 5 | 13 | 27 |
| Elected | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 16 |
| Seasonal | 37 | 20 | 27 | 56 | 24 |
| Full Time Equivalents FTEs | 345 | 341 | 331 | 323 | 341 |
| Total Employees | 377 | 364 | 349 | 379 | 377 |

Payroll on Transparency Site:

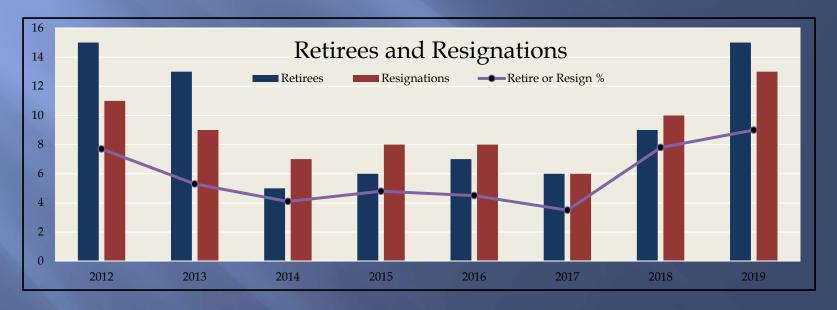
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| | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Retirees | 15 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 13 | 15 |
| Ret-Rehire | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Resignations | 11 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 13 |
| % of total | 7.7 | 5.3% | 4.1% | 4.8% | 4.5% | 3.5% | 7.8% | 9.0% |



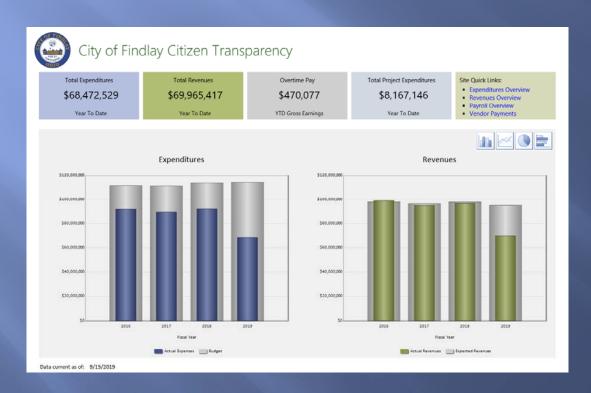
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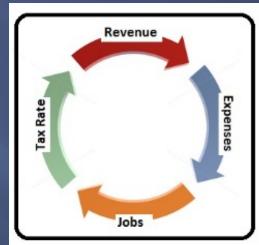


- City has 290 health plan contracts and the plan is performing admirably
 - Comparing Ohio cities, our average annual cost per employee is running 3.1% less for self-insured plans and 9.7% less than fully insured plans
 - All new employees on High Deductible Health Plans (123 of 290 plans)
 - 118 of HDHP are taking the City's contribution(\$720, \$1800)
 - 66 of the HDHP holders fund an HSA in excess of the City's contribution 1 employee contributes the maximum allowable under IRS rules
 - Note: we have no insight into other ways they may be funding their health costs



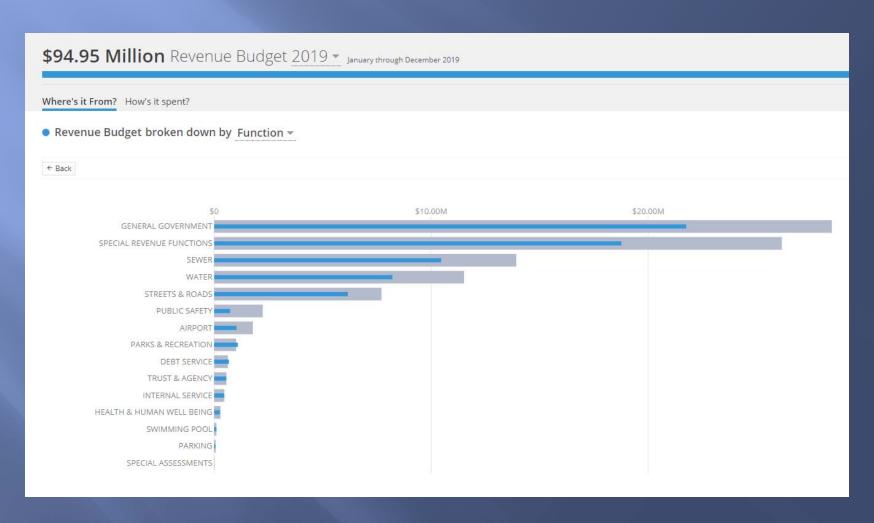
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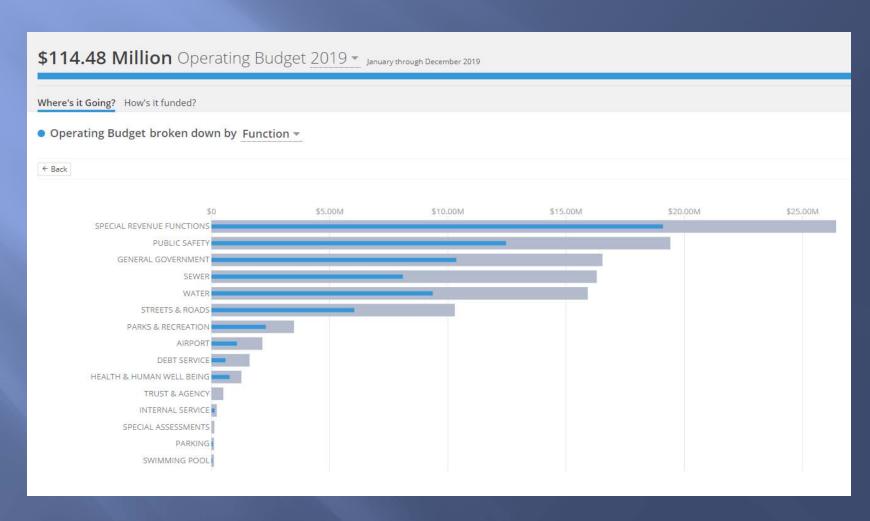


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General Information

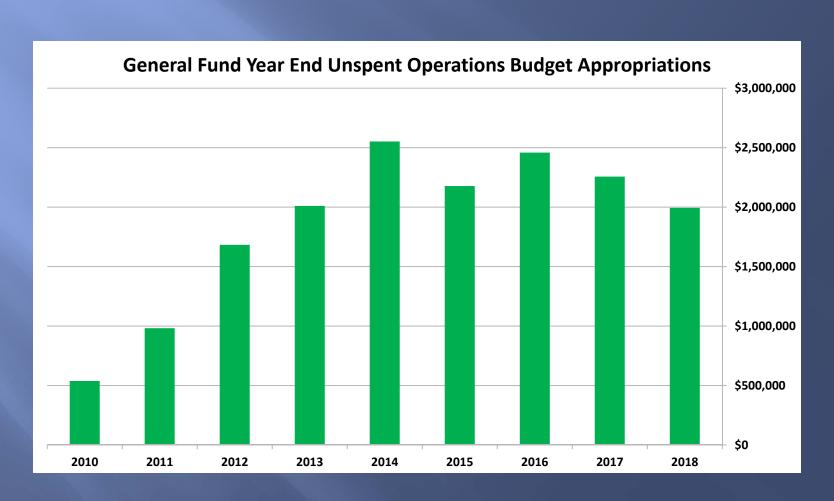


- General Fund Revenues for 2019 tracking in line with Auditor's budget projections;
 diversification of revenue will continue to be important moving into the future
- It is yet to be seen if additional gas tax and local government funds will have any significant impact on our revenues
- 2020 & 2021 Capital Improvement allocation proposal by administration is 20% of City Income Tax Receipts as part of 5-year Capital Plan. i.e. 80% General Fund 20% Capital Improvements Account. Historic allocation is 78% GF / 22%CI.
- General Fund Expenses 2019 to date
 - City Auditor has very limited view of expected year end expenses until each department enters expected expenses as part of the budget process; however, expense projections reflect fully spent appropriations which differ from actual ending numbers (see Unused Operations Appropriations graph)
- Expecting good size carry-forward balances going into 2020

Auditor will continue to adjust numbers through year end

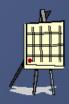


Cash Carry-Forward





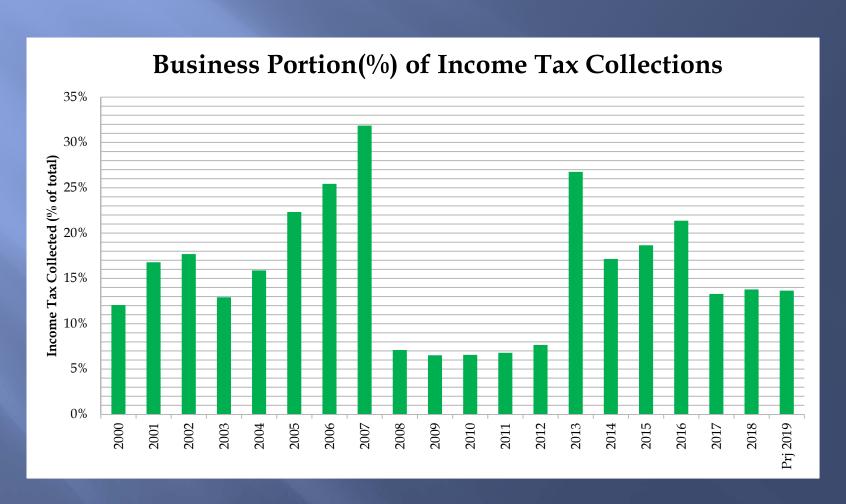
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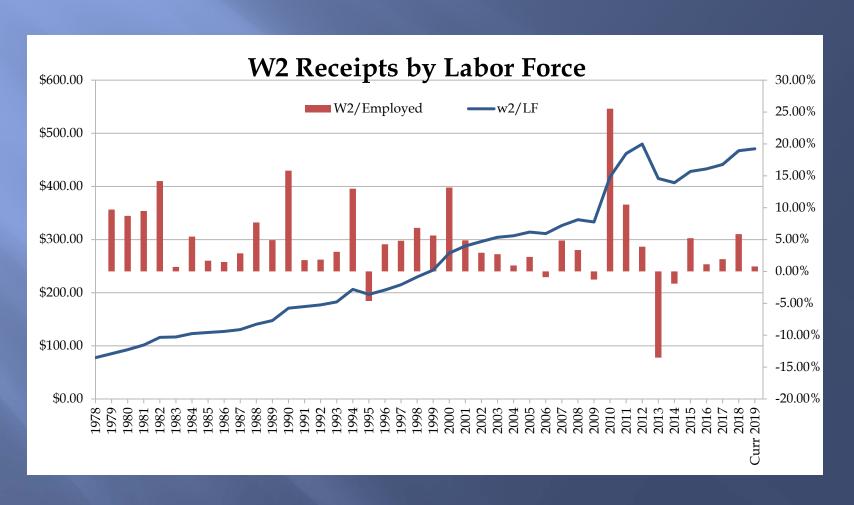
City Income Tax Growth

- Total City Income Tax receipts tracking in line with Auditor's budget projection;
- However, W2 income growth seems weak and should be explored
- Ending deferred estimated business profits component of income tax should have positive impact on revenues













City of Findlay Citizen Transparency

Total Expenditures

\$68,472,529

Year To Date

Total Revenues \$69,965,417

Year To Date

Overtime Pay \$470,077

YTD Gross Earnings

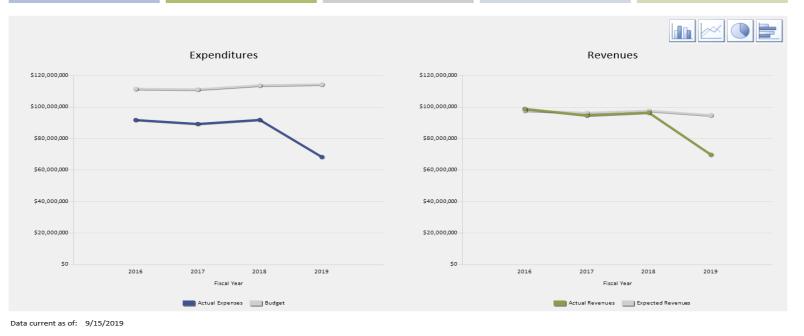
Total Project Expenditures

\$8,167,146

Year To Date

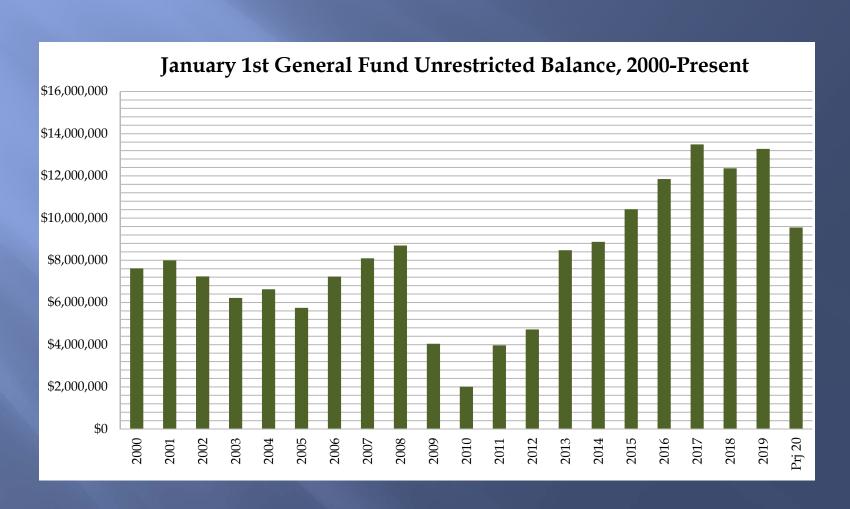
Site Quick Links:

- Expenditures Overview
- Revenues Overview
- Payroll Overview
- Vendor Payments





Budget History



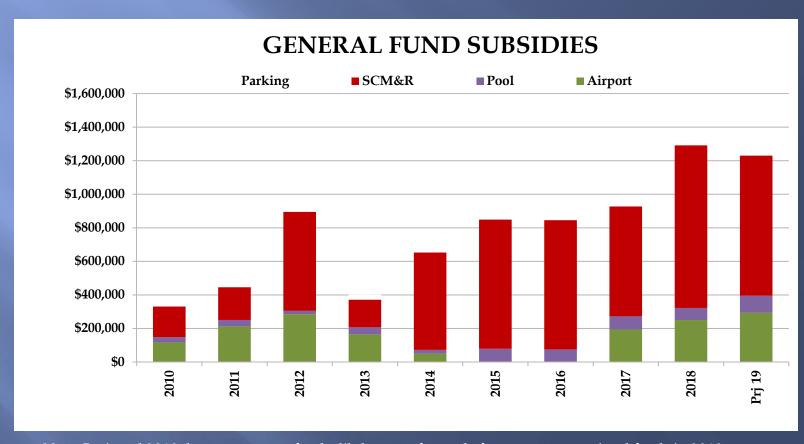


GFOA Best Practices



It is essential that a government maintain adequate levels of working capital in its enterprise funds to mitigate current and future risks (e.g., revenue shortfalls and unanticipated expenses) and to ensure stable services and fees... governments should start with a baseline of ninety (90) days worth of working capital and then adjust the target based on the particular characteristics of the enterprise fund in question...





Note: Projected 2018 does not account for the likely carry-forward of unspent appropriated funds in 2018



Projected Reserves

- General Fund projected at \$9.5MM; legislated 2-month minimum reserve of \$5.0MM Auditor recommending formalizing 3-month minimum of \$7.5MM
- Severance payout reserve will be reviewed during budget process
- Year-end projected unrestricted cash balance of the Water Fund is \$4.9M Auditor requesting review to consider creating a "Restricted Replace & Improvement Account"
- Year-end projected unrestricted cash balance of the WPC (Sewer) Fund is \$5.4M. Auditor requesting review to consider funding of the "Restricted Replace & Improvement Account"
- A 5 year pro-forma has not been put in place on Enterprise funds (Water, WPC, Airport, Pool) per Council's existing rules and the information should be shared with all the Elected Officials



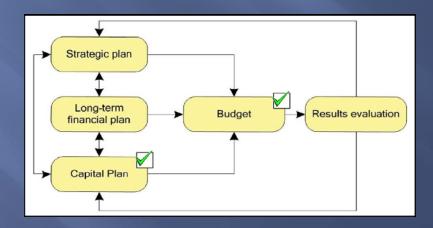
LARGE INCENTIVES/GRANTS

- City Auditor has not been made aware of any large grants being applied for in 2019 or 2020 that should be considered as part of revenue projections
- A process should be implemented that provides updates regarding the major CRA projects and special or large grants requested and approved by City Council for the elected officials
 - MPC (1/5/15) \$5,000,000 or 25% of CRA Benefit, whichever is less. City is to identify specific projects for infrastructure
 - McLane (10/29/14) \$500,000, commitment to assist with related infrastructure
 - BRWP applying for multiple river and flood related grants
 - Blanchard St. Elected officials not well informed
 - Federal Grant Guidelines Apply



Council's Fiscal Process

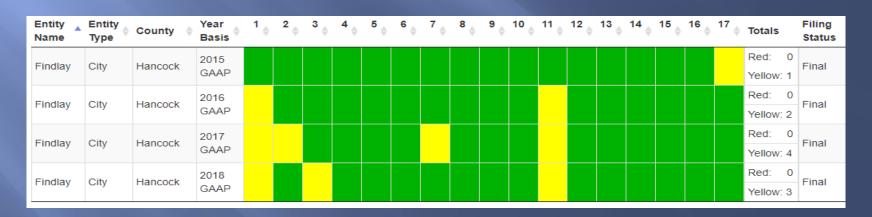
Having an item listed in budget or capital plan should not exclude it from a proper review process with regard to the City Council's Strategic and Long Term Financial Plans





Fiscal Health

- Auditor of State's Health Indicators are on public display
- City has "Cautionary Outlook" indicators over 3 years City of Findlay's now has 3 cautionary indicators:
 - Unrestricted Net Assets/Position of Governmental Type Activities
 - 2) Change in Unrestricted Net Assets/Position GTA
 - 3) Condition of Capital Assets



How are City Council members gauging the fiscal health of the City?





Council to Ponder...

- Is any consideration being given to setting aside money for Flood Mitigation projects?
- Will Howard Run be partially funded by the City in a similar fashion as Dazell Ditch? (approximately \$300k)
- City is enjoying the benefits of a booming economy; however, City Council has fair warning that the economy could take a turn
- Assessment projects do not guarantee full or partial payment of expended funds





What discussions should Council have prior to finalizing a budget?





2020 Budget Meeting



The 2020 and 2021 budgets will be created simultaneously; process shows short term sustainability of spending priorities. Findlay's 'AA stable' bond rating can be protected with proper planning. Council must affirm the likely Capital Improvements allocation before budgets started

- 2-Night review of full budget, starting time & schedule to be determined 12/11 & 12/12
- Wage tables currently being calculated at +1.61% and +0.73% (if Council wants something different Auditor needs information quickly)
- Capital Allocation to be ___% for 2020 and ___% 2021