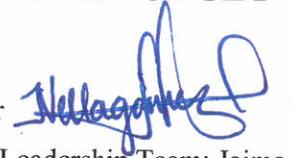


**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & BUDGET**

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FROM: María Villagómez, Budget Director 
COPY: Mayor & City Council; Executive Leadership Team; Jaime Castillo, Interim Chief of Staff to Mayor; Chris Callanen, Assistant to the City Council
DATE: May 27, 2014
SUBJECT: **BUDGET COMMUNITY INPUT MEETINGS**

Budget Community Meetings are a component of the Budget Process that allows residents an opportunity to provide input and feedback during the development of the annual budget. This year, as in past years, five Budget Community Meetings were held to obtain input from the community prior to the development of the City's FY 2015 Budget. The FY 2015 Budget will be presented to the City Council on August 7, 2014.

The Community Budget Meetings were held on Monday, May 19 through Thursday, May 22 across the City. At these meetings, residents identified City service delivery priorities, service categories for potential reduction, and potential revenue increases for the upcoming budget. Over 300 residents attended the hearings and provided over 400 comments. The tables below summarize the comments provided at these meetings. A detailed report listing all individual comments is attached to this correspondence.

Categories Identified as Service Delivery Priorities	Comments	% of Comments
Streets, Sidewalks and Drainage	35	27.8%
Library Services	20	15.9%
Animal Care Services	17	13.5%
Human Services & Delegate Agencies	14	11.1
Miscellaneous/Other Priorities ¹	40	31.7%
Total	126	100%

1. Miscellaneous/Other Priorities include categories such as: Code Enforcement, Department-wide, Parks, and Public Safety.

Categories Identified for Potential Reduction	Comments	% of Comments
Align Uniform Healthcare Benefits with Civilian Healthcare	33	18.9%
Economic Development/Center City	25	14.3%
Administration of the City	24	13.7%
Human Services & Delegate Agencies	20	11.4%
Public Safety	14	8.0%
Miscellaneous/Other Reductions ²	59	33.7%
Total	175	100%

2. Miscellaneous/Other Reductions include categories such as: Animal Care Services, Department-wide reductions, Downtown Operations, Historic Preservation, and Parks and Recreation.

Categories Identified for Potential Revenue Increase	Comments	% of Comments
City Property Tax Rate	38	37.3%
Parks & Recreation Fees	14	13.7%
Code Enforcement Fees	10	9.8%
Residential Alarm/Renewal Fees	9	8.8%
Miscellaneous/Other Revenues ³	31	30.4%
Total	102	100%

3. Miscellaneous/Other Revenues include categories such as: Animal Care Fees, Library Fees, After School Program Fees, EMS Transport Fees, Sale of Assets, and Garage Permits.

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Following the presentation on the Proposed FY 2015 Budget on August 7, residents will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed budget at five additional Budget Community Input Meetings scheduled across the City and two City-wide Budget Public Hearings at City Council chambers.

ATTACHMENT

FY 2015 Budget Development Process

Pre-Proposed Budget
Community Hearings

Summary of Comments

Prepared by the Office of Management & Budget
May 27, 2014

City of San Antonio, Texas

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After School Program Fees

Increase After School Program Fees. Northeast

Increase After School Program Fees. Northwest

Animal Care Services Fees

Increase fees for Animal Care Services. Central

Institute a program whereby Animal Care Services would place a chip in each animal and thereafter if the animal was found out of the care of its owner the owner would be charged a \$500 fine. North Central

Place microchips in animals picked up by Animal Care Services and charge owners if animal is pick up again. Northeast

Increase fees for Animal Care Services. Northeast

Add fees for those animals that are not spayed or neutered or are roaming free. Northeast

Increase fees for Animal Care Services. Southwest

City Property Tax Rate

Increase Property Tax Rate up to 5 cents, but utilize a sliding scale based on income to protect senior citizens. Central

Increase Property Tax Rate. Central

Increase Property Tax Rate. Central

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City Property Tax Rate

Increase Property Tax by 1 cent.	Central
Increase Property Tax by 1 cent.	Central
Increase Property Tax by 2 cents.	Central
Increase Property Tax by 2 cents.	Central
Increase Property Tax rate for businesses to align with citizens.	Central
Increase Property Tax by 2 cents to generate \$14 million in revenue.	Central
Increase Property Tax for businesses and close loopholes.	Central
Increase Property tax by 3 cents.	Central
Increase Property Tax rate by 2 cents, resulting in approximately \$14 million in additional revenue.	North Central
Increase Property Tax rate by 3 cents, resulting in approximately \$22 million in additional revenue.	North Central
Increase Property Tax rate by 2 cents, resulting in approximately \$14 million in additional revenue.	North Central
Increase Property Tax rate by 3 cents, resulting in approximately \$21 million in additional revenue.	North Central
Increase Property Tax Rate by 2 cents, resulting in over \$14 million in additional revenues.	North Central

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City Property Tax Rate

Raise property tax by 2%, 1% from general property tax, 1% from commercial property tax.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax to generate revenues.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax Rate by 1%.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax Rate by 1%.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax Rate by 2%, the City can not continue to reduce services without raising taxes.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax to generate revenues of \$3.5 million.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax Rate by 1%.	Northeast
Increase Property Tax Rate.	Northwest
Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties, business not paying their fair share of property taxes.	Northwest
Increase Property Tax Rate by 2 cents.	Northwest
Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties, businesses are not paying their fair share of property taxes.	Northwest
Increase the business taxes.	Northwest
Increase Property Tax Rate.	Northwest

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City Property Tax Rate

Increase Property Tax Rate for Commercial Properties. Northwest

Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties. Northwest

Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties. Southwest

Increase Property Tax by 1 cent. Southwest

Increase Property Tax Rate. Southwest

Increase Property Tax rate by 25% on Commercial Building. Southwest

Increase Property Tax except for those on fixed incomes, need tax abatement. Southwest

Increase Property Tax for Commercial Properties. Southwest

Code Enforcement Fees

Increase Code Enforcement fines. Central

Increase fines for abandoned buildings. Central

Ensure that all Code violations are enforced to increase revenue. North Central

Emphasize Code Enforcement as a needed source of additional revenue. North Central

Institute registration fees and inspection fees on rental homes to generate additional revenue given the large number of rental properties in the City. North Central

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Code Enforcement Fees

Ensure that code enforcement violations have strict fees and the fees are collected.	Northeast
Increase Code Enforcement fines.	Northeast
Increase fees for Code Enforcement Services.	Northeast
Increase efficiencies in collection of Code related fees.	Northwest
Increase fees related to Code Enforcement.	Southwest

EMS Transport Fees

Increase fees for EMS transports.	Northeast
Increase EMS Transport Fees by 33%.	Southwest

Library Services Fees

Increase Library fees to generate additional revenue.	North Central
Add library fees associated with losing iPads.	Northeast
Expand Friends of the Libraries to assist with increasing revenues.	Northwest
Increase Library fees and realize savings through efficiencies in library and utilities.	Southwest
Increase Library fees to generate additional revenues.	Southwest

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Miscellaneous Revenues

Sell City land and property in a lottery to generate revenue	Central
Generate additional revenue through annexations.	Central
Sell Red Berry Mansion to generate revenue.	Central
Increase fees for the use of the Convention Center.	Central
Increase Hotel Occupancy Tax by 1 or 2 cents.	Central
Increase or add taxes on businesses operating in the City.	North Central
Increase revenues by increasing Sales Tax.	North Central
Improve the leasing of under-utilized City property to generate more revenue.	North Central
Increase all City fees by 12%.	Northeast
Permit fees across the board need to be reviewed and potentially increased.	Northeast
The City should inventory land and sale or lease any currently unused property.	Northeast
Increase fees for garage sale permits.	Northeast
Increase development fees.	Northeast
Increase Sales Tax Rate.	Northwest
Ensure that all taxes and fees are collected by the City.	Northwest

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Miscellaneous Revenues

Increase the Entertainment tax by 1%. Southwest

Parks Fees

Charge a Park Cleanup Fee for after Holiday events. Central

Increase non-resident facility fees for zoos and parks to generate revenue of \$200,000. Central

Institute a "Friends of the Parks" group, similar to the "Friends of the Library," to help raise additional funds specifically to maintain parks in the City. North Central

Increase Park fees specifically around holidays when residents camp in parks or hold gatherings to recover the costs of clean-up and maintenance of those facilities. North Central

Increase and add park fees to generate more revenue. North Central

Increase Parks fees to generate additional revenue. North Central

Increase Park fees, specifically add fees for Party and Events. Northeast

Increase fees and use additional revenue for Parks. Northeast

Institute refundable park fees for camping and retain the revenues for the parks. Northeast

Increase fees for cleanup after events. Northwest

Increase Parks fees to generate additional revenue. Northwest

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Parks Fees

Establish park fees for holiday reservations like Easter.	Northwest
Establish permit fees for fiesta, cinco de mayo celebrations.	Northwest
Increase park fees.	Southwest

Residential Alarm / Renewal Fees

Raise residential alarm fees to provide additional revenues in the amount of \$1.5 million.	North Central
Increase fees for residential and commercial alarm permits.	Northeast
Increase Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northeast
Increase fees for Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northeast
Increase Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northeast
Increase fees for Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northwest
Increase fees for Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northwest
Increase fees for Residential Alarm and Renewal Fees.	Northwest
Increase fees collected by the Police Department.	Southwest

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Administration of the City

Reduce executive bonuses.	Central
Reduce funding for the City Attorney's Office by \$2 million and eliminate the use of outside attorneys.	Central
Reduce funding for the City Attorney's Office by \$4 million.	Central
Reduce association dues by 50% and have employees share in the costs for conventions and meetings.	Central
Freeze bonuses for management staff.	Central
Reduce outside consultants in Planning, such as attorneys.	Central
Reduce bonuses for executives.	Central
Reduce executive pay.	Central
Reduce the use and cost of outside consulting services, relying instead on City experts in their respective fields.	North Central
Reduce salary and benefit packages offered to City executives in all departments	North Central
Reduce executive bonus by 10%	Northeast
Eliminate bonuses for employees in the City's executive level.	Northeast
Reduce funding for City Attorney's Office.	Northeast
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Administration of the City

Reduce Executive salaries and bonuses.	Northeast
Reduce City Manager salary by \$200,000 and eliminate bonuses.	Northwest
Reduce the number of Assistant City Manager, Police captains, and Fire captains.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Executive Bonuses.	Northwest
Executive salaries are too high and should be reduced.	Northwest
Reduce City Manager salary.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Intergovernmental Relations.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Executive pay.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Human Resources Department.	Northwest
Reduce salary and eliminate bonuses.	Southwest

Align Uniform healthcare benefits with civilian healthcare

Align civilian Healthcare benefits with the same level as uniform employees Healthcare benefits.	Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Central
Align City employee health care costs.	Central

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Align Uniform healthcare benefits with civilian healthcare

Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Central
Align Uniform Benefits with civilians for a savings of \$15,000,000.	Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees to realize approximately \$16 million in savings.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilians to reduce expenditures.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	North Central
Align uniform dental & vision plans with those of civilian employees to save an additional \$4.5 million.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees to realize approximately \$15 million in savings.	North Central
Align Uniform benefits with civilians and audit the dependents on the Police and Fire health plans to further reduce costs.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	North Central
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northeast
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Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northeast

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Align Uniform healthcare benefits with civilian healthcare

Align uniform to match civilian benefits.	Northeast
List uniform dependents to track the number of dependents covered and associated costs.	Northeast
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees	Northeast
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northeast
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northeast
Align healthcare benefits with civilians; employee covered at 100% and family pays into plan.	Northwest
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northwest
Balance healthcare costs for all employees.	Northwest
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Northwest
Increase the amount Fire and Police pay for Healthcare.	Northwest
Align healthcare benefits for uniform with civilian benefits and eliminate the legal services benefit for Police and Fire.	Northwest
Reduce benefits for uniform employees.	Northwest
Align Uniform Benefits with Civilian Employees.	Southwest
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Align Uniform healthcare benefits with civilian healthcare

Align Uniform salaries & benefits with civilians such as teachers. Southwest

Review Uniform Salaries & Benefits program Southwest

Animal Care Services

Reduce shelter budget by \$850,000. Northwest

Reduce Animal Care budget by \$1 million. Northwest

Reduce the number of Animal Care Services staff. Northwest

Reduce funding for Animal Care Services. Southwest

Department-wide Reductions

Privatize City departments to decrease service costs and generate savings of \$5 million across the board. Central

Reduce funding for one-time projects by cutting redundant expenses, such as SAGE and WDC. Central

Spending should be prioritized to benefit everyone and to prepare for continued growth. Central

Ensure that the costs of programs matches the benefit to the Community and spending should be as efficient as possible so that the return matches the investment. Central

Reduce funding for non-departmental expenses. Central

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Department-wide Reductions

Reduce funding in the Municipal Court system by improving efficiencies within the Courts.	North Central
Identify and prevent duplication of services at the City and county level for similar services.	North Central
Reduce La Villita's overpayment to CPS Energy in the amount of \$100,000.	North Central
Increase the number of volunteers or form a group of volunteers from among the City's large retiree population to assist with certain City services.	North Central
Reduce the General Fund support of Culture & Creative Development, and re-allocate funds generated by HOT to support that Department.	North Central
Require a 2% reduction across all other General Fund departments (to include Mayor and City Council), with some exceptions for City Council to decide.	North Central
Formulate a committee of volunteer experts from the local area to find efficiencies in various departments to save the City additional resources	North Central
Reduce funding for Non-departmental.	Northeast
Reduce funding for all departments by 10%.	Northeast
Contract with Costco for Office Supplies.	Northeast
Reduce funding for the Planning Department.	Northeast
Reduce funding for One time projects.	Northeast

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Department-wide Reductions

Reduce funding for all departments by 0.3%.	Northeast
Reduce funding for One time projects.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Non-departmental by 10%.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Municipal Courts.	Northeast
Reduce funding for the Health Department.	Northeast
Renovate City owned buildings rather than renting facility to house City departments.	Northwest
Review Library operations to realize efficiencies without reducing services.	Northwest
Identify efficiencies in the purchasing process.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Planning Department.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Health Department.	Northwest
Re-allocate the \$10 million for the Budgeted Reserve Fund.	Northwest
Implement process improvements within Municipal Courts, especially online through the use of virtual judges.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Non-Departmental.	Northwest
Streamline contracts to make them more efficient; give department heads ability to obtain contracts.	Northwest

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Department-wide Reductions

Reduce the Budget for City Council Project Funds. Northwest

Reduce the amount in the Budgeted Reserve Fund. Southwest

Downtown Operations

Reduce funding for Downtown Operations. Northeast

Reduce funding for Downtown Operations. Northeast

Reduce funding for Downtown Operations, it is a duplication of efforts. Northwest

Reduce funding for Downtown Operations. Southwest

Economic Development/Center City Development

Reduce funding for the Center City Development Office by \$1 million. Central

Reduce tax abatements and improvement districts such as TIFs and TIRZ. Central

Reduce tax abatements by shortening the abatement period. Central

Reduce funding for Hemisfair Park by \$3 million. Central

Reduce tax abatements for businesses. Central

Reduce funding for tax abatements. Central

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Economic Development/Center City Development

Reduce funding for transfers.	Central
Decrease the amount of Economic Development incentive by closely examining the incentive program.	North Central
Improve efficiencies within Economic Development.	North Central
Reduce Economic Development Incentives.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Center City Development.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Center City Development.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Center City Development.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Economic Development.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Economic Development, it is not clear how much the department spends.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Center City Development Office Budget.	Northwest
Reduce funding by \$3.5 million for all one-time projects including the Hemisfair Project.	Northwest
Reduce incentives to big businesses to give small businesses an opportunity.	Northwest
Reduce tax abatements for commercial businesses.	Northwest
Reduce tax abatements for commercial ventures.	Northwest

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Economic Development/Center City Development

Reduce developer incentives and require a \$1 million non-refundable deposit for developers that want to build in San Antonio.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Center City Development Office Budget.	Southwest
Reduce funding for Center City Development Office Budget.	Southwest
Reduce funding for one time projects to include Hemisphere.	Southwest
Reduce funding for Economic Development.	Southwest

Historic Preservation

Reduce funding for Historic Preservation.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Historic Preservation.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Historic Preservation.	Southwest

Human Services/Delegate Agencies

Reduce animal care by \$2 million and redirect to senior services; Utilize a survey to identify senior needs	Central
Reduce funding by requiring all Delegate Agencies to provide a 50% match.	Central
Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies by \$1 million.	Central

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Human Services/Delegate Agencies

Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies and reallocate funding for workforce development to help people become self-reliant.	Central
Reduce Delegate Agencies by \$1.6 million.	North Central
Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies.	Northeast
Reduce funding for After School Program.	Northeast
Reduce Project Quest funding.	Northeast
Reduce funding for Haven for Hope budget to \$1.5 million and reduce funding each year until funding for Haven for Hope is eliminated.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Human Services.	Northwest
Decrease funding for Delegate Agencies across the board by 2% or set performance metrics.	Northwest
Reduce Health department Delegate Agencies.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies by half.	Northwest
Decrease funding for Delegate Agencies.	Northwest
Reduce funding for Delegate Agencies.	Southwest
Reduce funding for Human Services.	Southwest

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Human Services/Delegate Agencies

Decrease funding for Delegate Agencies. Southwest

Decrease funding by 50% for Haven for Hope. The agency needs to be self-reliant. Southwest

Reduce After School Program Budget. Southwest

Non-City Reductions

Eliminate bonuses of City Public Service (CPS) and SAWS executives by roughly \$16 million and reduce large executive packages of public officers given the nature of their service role to the public at large. North Central

Eliminate bonuses for CPS executive employees. Northeast

Reduce CPS and executive bonuses. Northwest

Parks and Recreation

Reduce funding for Parks by 10%, specifically in the maintenance area. Northeast

Reduce funding for trails and trail maintenance. Northwest

Eliminate positions within the Parks Department when the service can be provide by another City department. Northwest

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Public Safety

Consolidate SAPD, Airport Police, and Parks Police to generate savings through shared facilities.	Central
Extend the vehicle life of the Police vehicles to 100,000 miles, as opposed to 70,000 miles, to save approximately \$200,000.	North Central
Eliminate the Escrow fund for police and fire employees that currently supports attorney's fees, closing costs, and other miscellaneous items unrelated to the duties of the profession to realize additional savings of approximately \$1.5 million.	North Central
Realign the tuition reimbursement benefit of police and fire employees so that only courses relating to the profession with the City are reimbursed.	North Central
Reduce Public Safety Administrative costs, but do not reduce uniform.	Northeast
Reduce Public Safety Administrative costs, but do not reduce uniform.	Northeast
Reduce funding for the Police Department.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Fire Department.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Police Department.	Northwest
Redirect funding to privatize EMS unit to produce revenues.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Police Department and eliminate expensive SUVs.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Fire Department.	Northwest
Reduce funding for the Fire Department.	Northwest

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Public Safety

Reduce gas consumption on police vehicles. Southwest

Street Car

Eliminate funding for Street Car. North Central

Eliminate and re-direct Street Car funding. North Central

Reduce funding for Street Car, residents do not want them. Northeast

Eliminate funding for Street Car. Northwest

Eliminate funding for Streetcar. Northwest

Eliminate funding for Street Car. Northwest

Eliminate funding for Street Car, it is a legacy project that should be eliminated. Northwest

Eliminate funding for Street Car. Northwest

Streets, Sidewalks, and Drainage

Reduce funding for Traffic Operations. Northwest

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Animal Care Services

Increase funding for Animal Care Services by increasing property tax by 2 cents.	Central
Increase funding for spay and neuter services through a 33% increase in residential alarm/renewal fees.	Central
Increase funding for Animal Care Services spay and neuter services by reducing city manager and executive pay and bonuses.	Central
Increase funding for Animal Care Services.	North Central
Increase funding for Animal Care Services.	North Central
Allocate more funding for animal care education to address topics such as spay and neuter and overall care of pets.	North Central
Increase funds for Animal Care Services through increased EMS transport revenue.	Northeast
Reallocate Executive pay to increase staff and animal education, including spay & neuter.	Northeast
Increase funds for Animal Care Services by reducing for Public Safety.	Northeast
Increase EMS transport revenues to pay for Animal Care Services.	Northeast
Increase funding for Animal Care Services.	Northwest
Increase funds for outreach and educational services in Animal Care Services.	Northwest

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Animal Care Services

Reduce funding for Center City Development Office and redirect savings to other departments like Library and Animal Care.	Northwest
Increase funds for outreach and educational services in Animal Care Services by reallocating from Intergovernmental Relations.	Northwest
Redirect savings realized from animal adoptions to enhance educational services.	Northwest
Increase Animal Care Budget for educational services, calls, trap and release, and more Animal Care Officers.	Northwest
Increase funding for Animal Care Services.	Southwest

Code Enforcement

Increase funding for Code Enforcement so that Police and Parks do not have to respond to animal calls by reducing one-time projects.	Central
Redistribute or specifically allot an amount equal to 1/2 property tax intake to Code Enforcement operations that will benefit property values in the long run.	North Central
Increase funding for Code Enforcement Services.	North Central
Increase funding for code enforcement officers and better equipment.	Northeast
Maintain Code Enforcement service levels, improve efficiencies, and hold them accountable.	Northwest
Maintain funding for Code Enforcement Services.	Northwest

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Code Enforcement

Increase funding for Code Enforcement Services. Northwest

Increase funding for Code Enforcement Services in effort to provide better enforcement. Northwest

Department-wide

Increase funding for revitalizing the south side Central

Increase funding to improve air quality as an SA2020 goal. Central

Increase funding for Historic Preservation to inspire Smart Growth by creating jobs and lessening costs for revitalizing the central district Central

Increase funding to provide a cost of living adjustment to City employees. Central

Shift a portion of HOT collection to support Convention Visitors Bureau. North Central

Focus more attention towards energy efficiencies regarding both vehicles and buildings. North Central

Reallocate funding for Street Cars to increase funds for employee compensation. Northeast

Provide funding to gradually invest in solar energy and panels. Northeast

Increase funding for Civilian Benefits. Northeast

Increase revenues and allocate additional funds to civilian benefits. Northeast

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Department-wide

Reallocate funding for Street Cars to increase funds for employee compensation.	Northeast
Increase revenues to allocate to Health Department	Northeast
Increase funding for a cost of living adjustment of 4.5%.	Northeast
Increase funding for cost of living adjustments.	Northeast
Increase funding to provide a cost of living adjustment for Civilian Employees by reducing executive pay.	Northwest
Increase funding to provide a cost of living adjustment for Civilian Employees.	Northwest

Human Services/Delegate Agencies

Increase funding by \$5 million to build a multi-service senior center in District 1.	Central
Increase funding for job training to support companies such as Tesla.	Central
Increase funding for new parent classes and education.	Central
Increase funding by \$1 million for senior citizen resources by reducing one-time projects.	Central
Increase funding for Senior Centers.	Central
Increase funding for Human Services to provide for more mental health resources.	North Central

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Human Services/Delegate Agencies

Increase funding for Human Services. Northeast

Increase revenue and allocate to help homebound seniors. Northeast

Reallocate funding from Historic Preservation to improve senior services by \$1 million. Northeast

Add more for adult education programs. Northeast

Increase funding for Human Services department to provide better services. Northwest

Reallocate \$2 million from Planning Center City to fund Literacy Programs. Northwest

Increase funding for Human Services. Southwest

Increase funding for Human Services. Southwest

Library Services

Increase funding for libraries by raising revenue through a 1 cent increase in property taxes, and increases in animal care fines. Central

Maintain funding for libraries. Central

Increase funding for libraries. Central

Increase funding for Library. North Central

Enhance funding for libraries as the services benefit the public as a whole. North Central

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Library Services

Increase funding for Library.	North Central
Increase library funding in light of the educational benefits provided to our City.	North Central
Increase funding for Library.	North Central
Increase funding for libraries, with specific focus on the technology resources available to the public.	North Central
Increase funding for Library.	North Central
Utilize technology and use of eBooks to expand education.	Northeast
Increase revenues to allocate to Library Services	Northeast
Increase revenues to allocate to Library Services	Northeast
Our libraries are only open two nights a week for two hours, we can do better	Northeast
Keep libraries open for longer hours and more days	Northeast
Increase funding for Library.	Northwest
Increase funding for Library.	Northwest
Maintain or increase funding for library services.	Northwest
Realize budget savings at Library by implementing improvements in technology.	Northwest

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Library Services

Reduce funding for Center City Development Office and redirect savings to other departments like Library and Animal Care.	Northwest
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Parks and Recreation

Increase funding for the Parks and Recreation Department, one of the jewels of our city.	North Central
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Increase funding for the Parks Department.	Northwest
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Increase funding for the Parks Department.	Northwest
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Public Safety

Maintain funding for Fire by a 1 cent increase in property taxes and implementing toll roads.	Central
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Maintain funding for Police by a 1 cent increase in property taxes and increasing fines for code enforcement.	Central
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Increase funding for Crisis Response Teams.	Central
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Increase funding to provide for 24-hour EMS service at Fire Station #43.	North Central
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Increase funding for Police by reducing funding for Economic Development.	Northeast
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Increase funding for the Fire Department to provide for recruitment of employees.	Northwest
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Increase funding for the Police Department.	Northwest
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Public Safety

Increase funding for the Fire Department.	Northwest
Increase funding for the Crisis Response Team and civilian employees to improve services.	Northwest
Increase funding for recruitment of employees.	Northwest
Maintain Funding for Public Safety.	Northwest
Maintain benefits for Police and Fire.	Northwest
Increase funding for the Police and Fire Departments.	Southwest

Streets, Sidewalks, and Drainage

Increase funding for streets.	Central
Increase funding for streets to prepare them for floods or freezes.	Central
Increase funding for streets and sidewalks.	Central
Increase funding for street improvements for drainage, potholes, and other repairs through a 1 cent increase in property taxes and implementing new park fees.	Central
Increase funding for transit.	Central
Increase funding for streets by \$2 Million by reducing one-time projects.	Central

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Streets, Sidewalks, and Drainage

Increase funding for sidewalks, lights, and drainage for Districts 1, 2, 5, and 10 through a 20% cut in delegate agencies for \$3.6 million.	Central
Increase funding for streets, drainage, and sidewalks by reducing abatements for businesses.	Central
Increase funding for Traffic Operations.	North Central
Increase resources to focus more funding on ADA accommodation, improved signage, and better traffic signals.	North Central
Increase funding for streets and redistribute maintenance of sidewalks and streets to areas with greater needs.	North Central
Increase funding for traffic operations and increase signage especially in school zones and other accident prone areas.	North Central
Increase funding for streets and re-evaluate maintenance of streets to reduce potholes throughout the City.	North Central
Increase funding to improve both streets and sidewalks.	North Central
Improve streets outside of downtown.	Northeast
Increase funds for streets and street maintenance.	Northeast
Increase funds for streets and street maintenance.	Northeast
Increase revenues to allocate to Traffic Operations.	Northeast
Increase funds for streets and street maintenance.	Northeast

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Increase revenues to allocate to streets and street maintenance.	Northeast
Increase funds for sidewalks to attract industry and business.	Northeast
Reallocate funds from café college to fix potholes and sidewalks.	Northeast
Increase funds for streets and street maintenance by reducing funding for Delegate Agencies.	Northeast
Maintain funding and provide better sidewalks for disabled citizens.	Northwest
Increase funding to provide resources to improve streets so people do not get stranded.	Northwest
Reallocate \$16 million from Delegate Agencies to non-departmental to fund streets, sidewalks, street lights, and storm drains.	Northwest
Increase funding for streets in the amount of \$10 million for sidewalks, \$3 million for street lights, and \$3 million for storm drains.	Northwest
Increase funding for streets.	Northwest
Increase funding for streets.	Northwest
Increase resources to provide funding for better drainage.	Northwest
Maintain funding for Streets.	Northwest
Increase Property Tax Rate and allocate additional funding to streets	Northwest
Increase funding for to enhance streets and drainage repair.	Northwest

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Streets, Sidewalks, and Drainage

Increase funding for streets.

Southwest

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