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Baker Tilly Budget Review and Performance Measures Update

Presentation

Budget Format Review and Performance Measures Update

March 4, 2025



Agenda

Background and Introduction

Baker Tilly Report

Next Steps and Recommendations

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 Identified need to streamline budget and update performance measures

Engage Baker Tilly



Cupertino Budget Document and Performance Measures Improvements

City Council Meeting Tuesday, March 4, 2025



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Overview

- Project Assignment
- Approach & Methodology
- Key Observations
- Key Recommendations
- Strategic Planning & Performance Measures
- Next Steps

Project Assignment

Review and improve budget document

Enhance performance measures

Ensure alignment with city priorities

Improve transparency & accessibility

Approach & Methodology



Reviewed city documents, budget reports, and performance data



Conducted interviews with council members and city staff

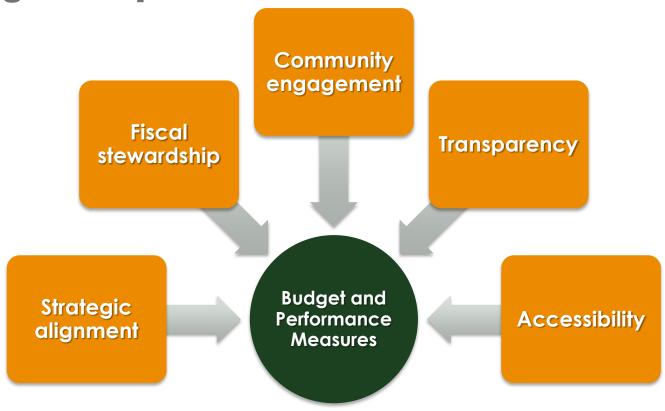


Benchmarked against peer cities' best practices



Analyzed alignment with strategic goals

Guiding Principles



Key Observations – Budget Document









Detailed but difficult to navigate

Requires better strategic alignment Capital
Improvement
Plan (CIP) not
wellintegrated

Public engagement can be improved

Key Recommendations – Budget Document

Streamline

• Improve readability & streamline structure

Departments

• Standardize departmental budget presentation

Capital Planning

• Integrate Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Public Engagement

• Enhance public engagement & transparency

Strategic

• Incorporate strategic planning into budgeting

Key Observations – Performance Measures



Lack of alignment with city goals



Metrics focus on workload, not outcomes



No standardized update process



Limited staff engagement performance tracking

Key Recommendations – Performance Measures

Priorities

Align with city's strategic priorities

Outcomes

 Differentiate performance vs. workload indicators

Standardized

Standardize reporting & updates

Accountability

Increase accountability & staff involvement

Strategic Planning and Performance Measures

Need for a citywide strategic plan Performance measures should track progress on strategic goals Strategic planning framework ensures alignment & accountability



Key Implementation Concepts

Implement budget document improvements

Develop a structured strategic planning process









Enhance transparency & community engagement Revise, align & track performance measures with city goals

Draft Implementation Action Plan

Rec No.	Recommendation	Implementation Steps	Priority	Department Responsible	Comments
1	Recommendation	Step 1Step 2Step 3	1	City Manager	XXX
2	Recommendation	Step 1Step 2Step 3	2	Admin Services	XXX
3	Recommendation	Step 1Step 2Step 3	3	Public Works	XXX
4	Recommendation	Step 1Step 2Step 3	2	Budget Manager	XXX

- Identifies implementation steps, prioritization and assignment for each recommendation in the report
- Considered "Draft" until City:
 - Identifies target dates

 - Affirms/modifies steps and assignments Applies any resources required (\$, time)
- Priority 1 Important to accomplish without delay/easy to accomplish
- Priority 2 Second tier; may involve complexity or time to complete
- Priority 3 Least urgent; may take longer to setup or execute

Draft Implementation Action Plan

Priority 1

- Finalize proposed budget document layout (for FY 2026-27)
- Implement CIP development assignments
- •Issue FY 2024-25 CIP Plan
- Review fiscal policies
- Refine community engagement strategies
- Update budget educational content
- Plan for OpenGov changes to mirror existing data for department details
- Develop Citywide strategic plan
- Finalize performance standards

Priority 2

- •Implement budget layout and content changes for FY 2026-27
- Implement OpenGov (or appendix) for details
- Ensure quarterly tracking of CIP progress, priorities and alignment
- Revise framework for fund transfers, enterprise funds and grant information

Priority 3

- Remove selected sections from Community Profile
- Standardize department summaries/priorities
- Develop Special Projects policy for approval authority, timelines and reporting

Key Feedback from Audit Committee



Pilot budget format for **FY 2026-27**



Include **CIP Plan** in proposed/final budget document



Provide revenue/expenditure details in appendix or online



Ensure **original adopted budget** is easily accessible



Align performance measures with priorities (e.g., Econ Dev)



Use **graphics** for budget clarity



Reformat display of **financial policies**

- Summarize purpose/effect
- Add full policy hyperlinks
- •Summarize **policy changes** adopted by Council in budget



Integrate Internal Audit functions within City Council budget





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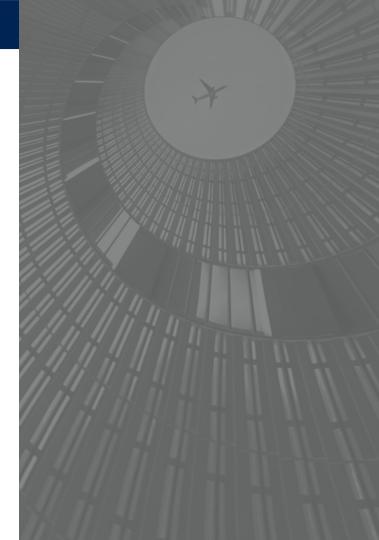








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Next Steps

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 Final implementation plan to be included in Proposed Budget

Recommendations

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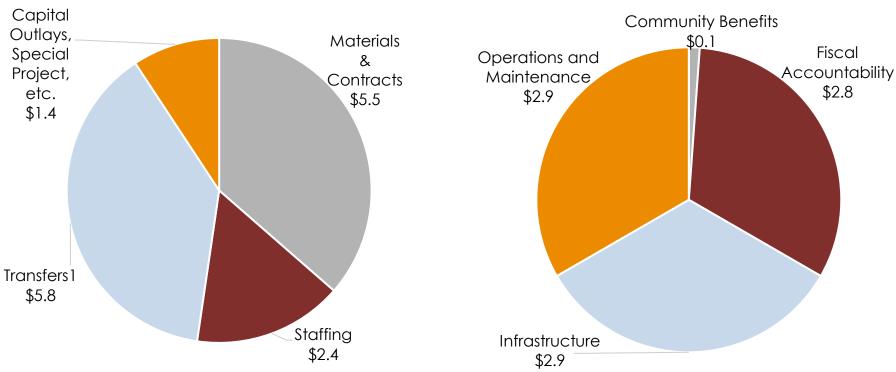
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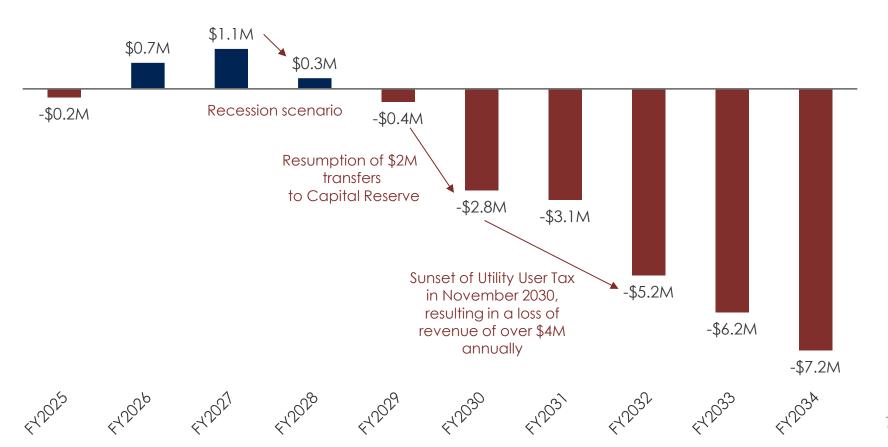
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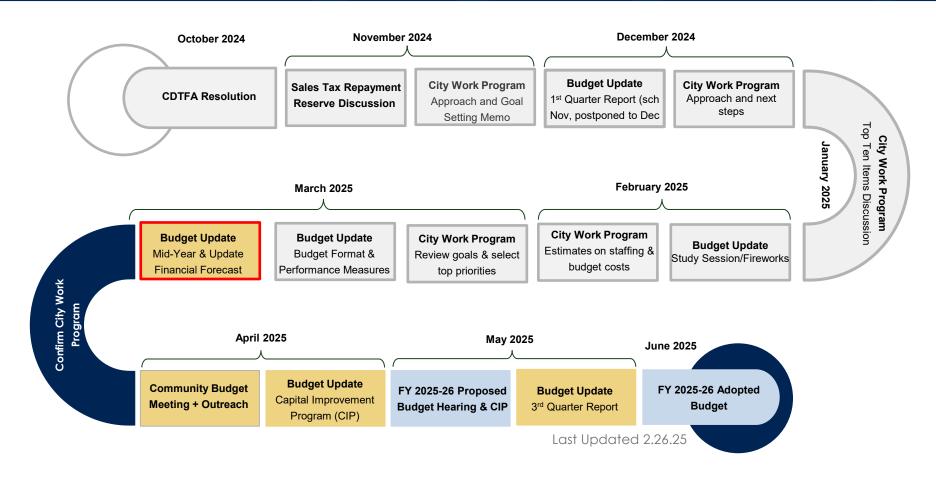
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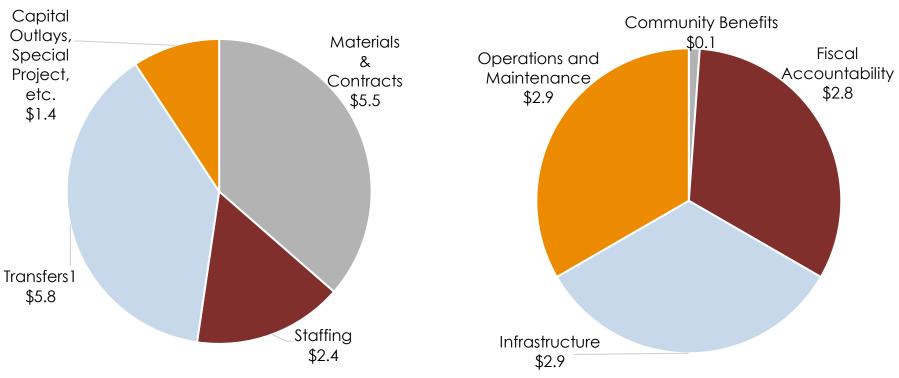
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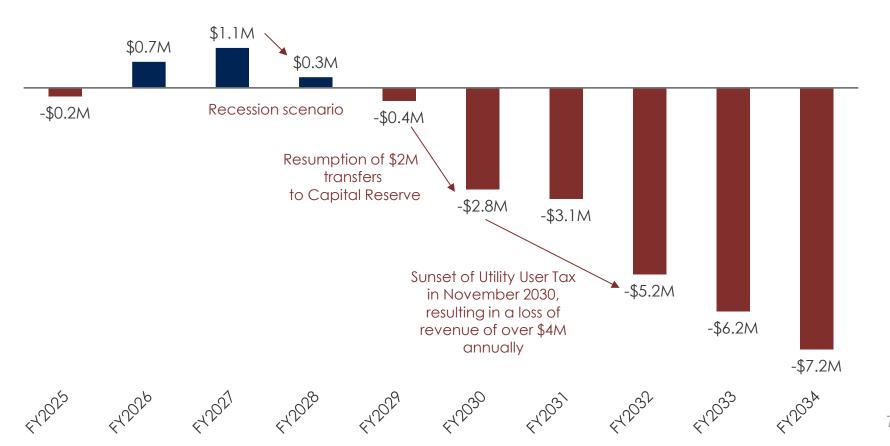
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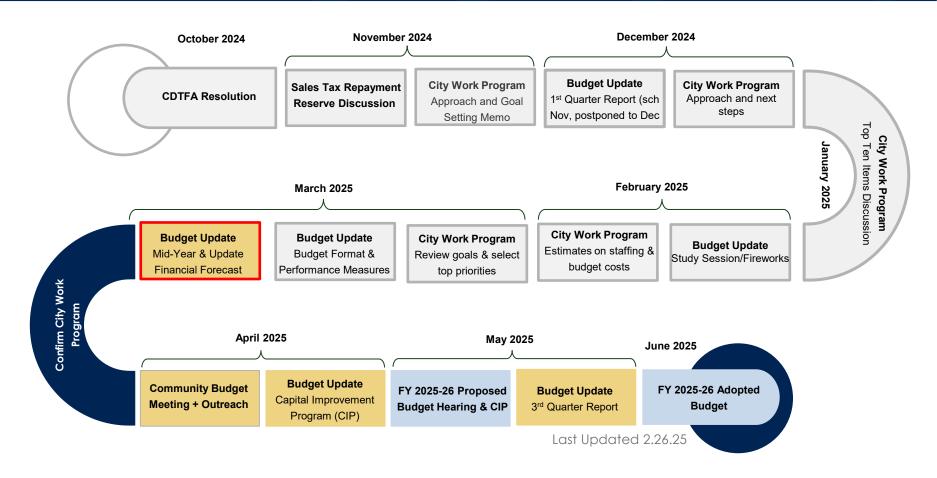
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Background

- Feb. 2023: Council adopts Procedures Manual
- Mar. 2024: Council reviews Manual, adopts minor amendments
- **Feb. 4, 2025:** Study session to consider further amendments

Recommended Action

 Adopt Resolution No. 25-016 amending the Cupertino City Council Procedures Manual

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