

Highland Park



Jens Jensen Park
486 Roger Williams Ave., Highland Park

WEDNESDAYS
JUNE 28 - OCTOBER 27
7 AM - 3 PM

2024 Budget Workshop Proposed Budget Public Hearing

City Council Meeting
November 13, 2023

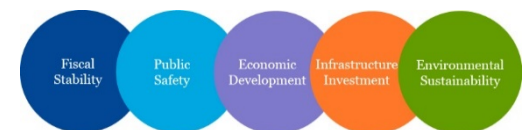
Agenda

- Budget Schedule
- Highlights
- Revenue
- Expenditures
- Fund Balance
- Next Steps



Budget Schedule

Description	Date	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Neighborhood Meeting	Apr 19									
Neighborhood Meetings	May 1 & 4									
2024 Planning Meeting	May 23									
Revenue , Capital, Debt and Library Budget Personnel requests presented in Closed Session	Aug 21									
Draft Budget to Council	Sep 7									
Optional Individual Meetings with Councilmembers	Sep 18 -29									
City Council submits changes to Staff for Prop. Bdgt.	Sep 29									
Department Budget Staff Reports to Council	Oct 5									
Proposed Budget to Council	Oct 27									
Proposed Budget to City's Website	Oct 30									
Tax Levy Estimate Accepted Proposed Budget Public Hearing	Nov 13									
Approval of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget Ordinance and Budget Document ○ Annual Fee Resolution ○ Capital Improvement Program ○ Employee Compensation Plan and Policy Proposed Property Tax Levy Public Hearing	Nov 27									
Approval of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Property Tax Levy ○ Liability & Workmen's Comp. Insurance 	Dec 11									



2024 Proposed Budget Highlights

✓ Mission

Provide high-quality municipal services in an efficient and fiscally-responsible manner through effective, transparent, collaborative, and inclusive governance

✓ Priorities

Fiscal Stability, Public Safety, Economic Development, Infrastructure Investment and Environmental Sustainability

✓ Balanced Operating Budget

✓ Operating revenue of **\$96 million** is 1% higher

✓ Capital improvements of **\$34 million** for infrastructure, facilities, and equipment

✓ Proposed fund drawdowns total \$9 million for capital, pursuant to City finance policy



2024 Proposed Revenue

2024 Total Revenue \$118M

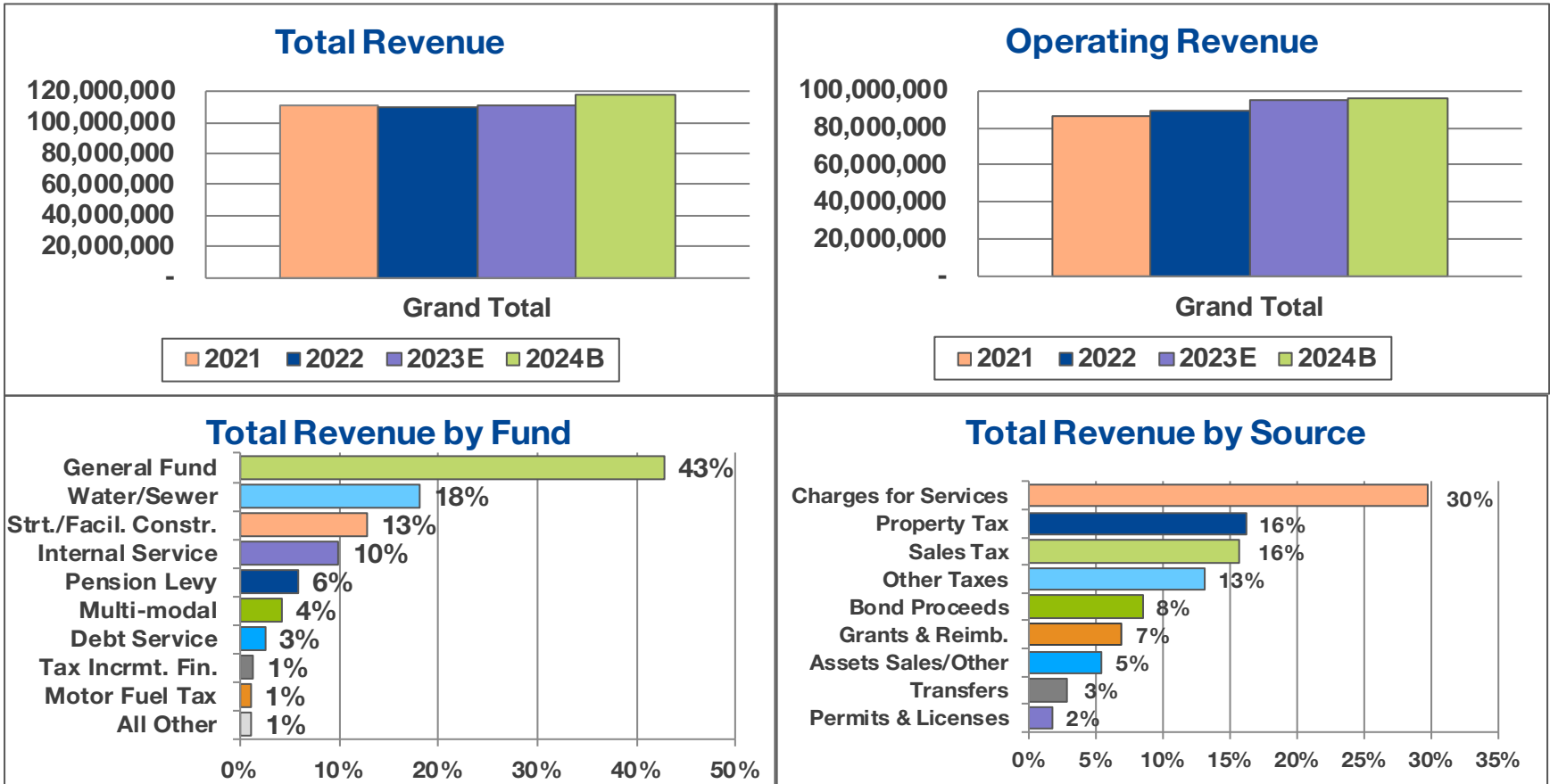
2024 is 6% Higher vs 2023

2023 is 1% Higher vs 2022

2024 Operating Revenue* \$96M

2024 is 1% Higher vs 2023

2023 is 6% Higher vs 2022



*-Operating revenue excludes debt proceeds, debt and tax increment financing levies, asset sales, and capital-related grants, reimbursements, and transfers between funds.

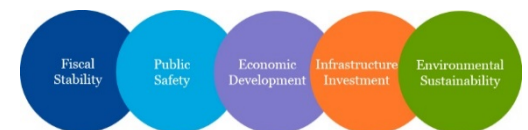


2024 Revenue Assumptions

- ✓ Most revenues estimated based on historical growth, with parking fees continuing recovery from pandemic
- ✓ Review of City fees/taxes to ensure they are fair & comparable with other communities, supporting a consistent high level of services, with changes for property taxes, water rate, sewer rate, and ambulance transport fees
- ✓ The City's property tax levy is approximately 8% of the resident's total property tax bill
- ✓ Water rate continues as one of the lowest in Chicago area
- ✓ \$10 million of new debt in 2024 to partially fund capital expenditures for Second Street pedestrian-friendly infrastructure improvements, 1201 Park Ave West upgrades, and other street improvements

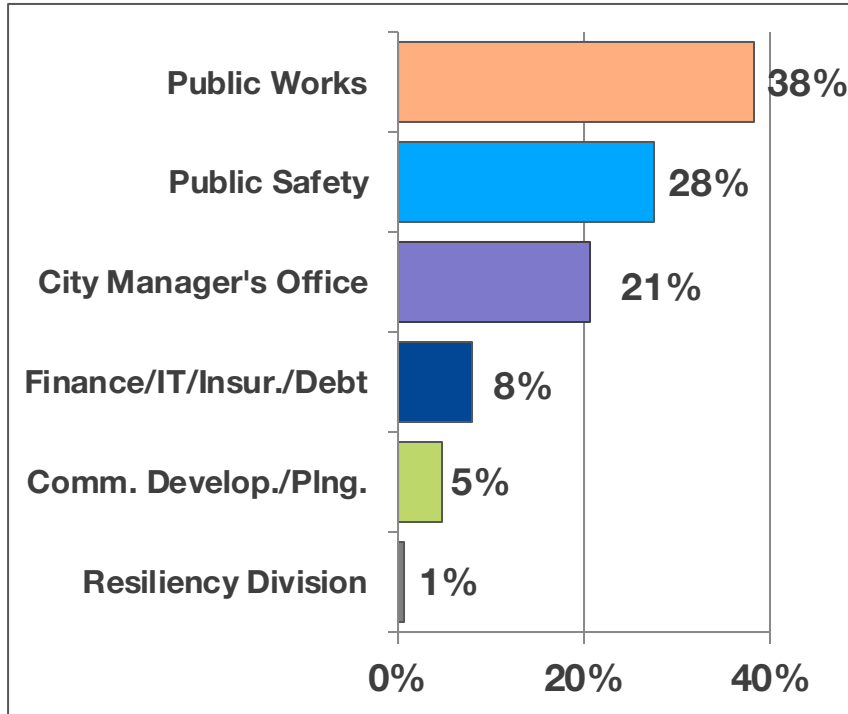
Revenue changes 2024 vs. 2023:

\$M Increase/(Decrease)	2024	
Water & Sewer Sales	1.2	
Ambulance Charges	0.5	
Contributions	(1.0)	
Sales Tax	0.2	
Internal Charges	0.2	
Operating Grants/Reimburse.	0.1	
Property Tax Levy	0.1	
Operating Revenue	1.3	1%
Debt Proceeds & Debt/TIF Levy	10.9	
Sale of Assets	(2.1)	
Capital Grants/Reimbursements	(1.5)	
Transfers Between Funds	(1.4)	
Total Revenue	7.2	6%

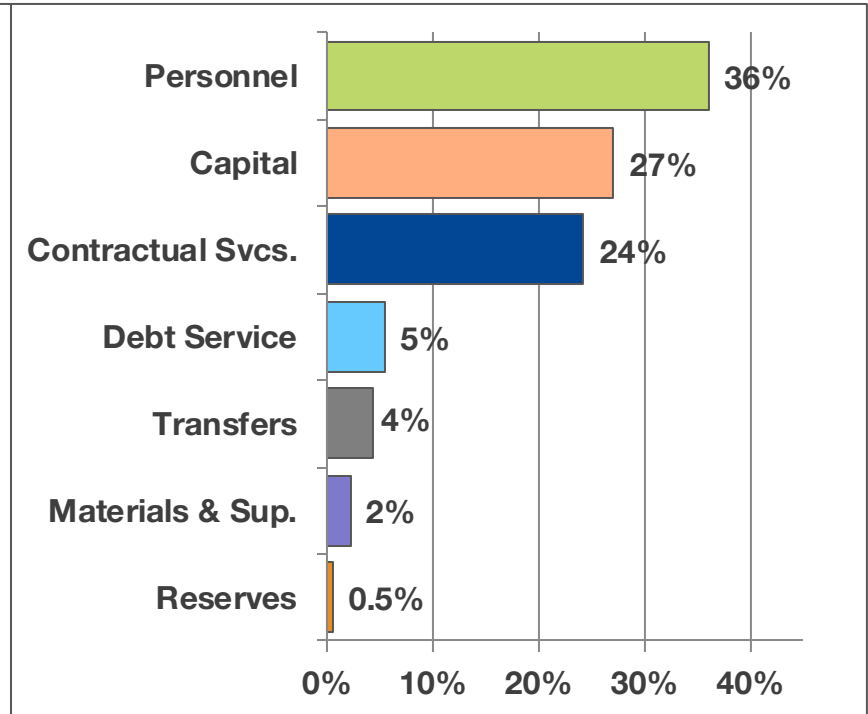


2024 Proposed Expenditures \$127M

Expenditures by Service



Expenditures by Type



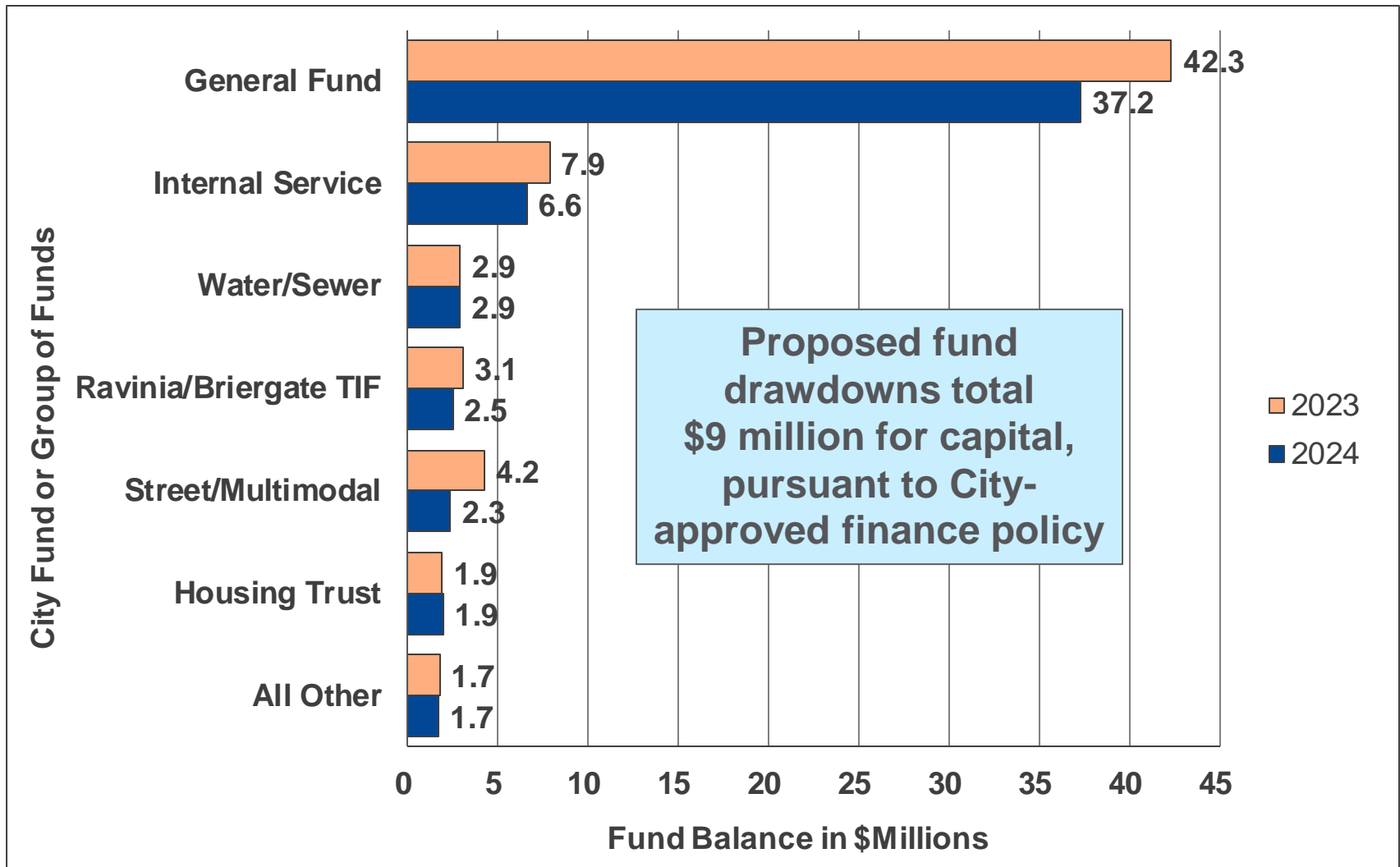
2024 Expenditure Assumptions

- ✓ Personnel expenditures of \$46 million are 5% higher than 2023:
 - ❖ Staffing is budgeted at 273 full-time equivalents (FTE), which is 1.8 FTE employees higher than 2023, although 4 FTE employees lower than 2020
 - ❖ Gradual increase in service and staffing following the 2020-21 staffing reduction of 26.8 FTE employees due to the City's pandemic economic response plan and additional staffing to address the long term needs of the community
 - ❖ Other personnel variances consistent with compensation plan, collective bargaining requirements, and higher insurance costs
- ✓ Capital improvements of \$34 million are planned for 2024:
 - ❖ \$27 million for infrastructure, including Second Street pedestrian-friendly improvements
 - ❖ \$7 million for facilities and equipment, including renovation of the 1201 Park Avenue West facility for Senior Center suitability and upgraded banquet capability
 - ❖ Capital funding is 71% pay-as-you-go and 29% debt financing

2024 Expenditure Assumptions

- ✓ Contractual services and materials and supplies of \$34 million are 10% higher than prior year due to inflationary cost or service changes, with a significant increase in the City Manager's Office budget focused on business attraction and retention incentives
- ✓ Debt service expenditures of \$7 million are 18% higher than prior year. Debt service is consistent with the City's payment schedule for previously issued and planned debt
- ✓ Transfers of \$6 million for capital and dispatch costs, with reimbursement from the Water, Motor Fuel Tax, Tax Increment Financing, Enhanced 911, Sustainability, and General Funds to the General, Sewer, Capital, and Equipment Funds for expenditures planned in those funds
- ✓ The budget includes \$9.5 million of City contributions to the public safety pension funds and \$375,500 of City contributions to the IMRF pension fund for non-collectively bargained employees

2024 Proposed Fund Balance \$55



Next Steps

- **Nov. 27** - Budget Adopted
- **Nov. 27** - Public Hearing for Tax Levy





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QUESTIONS?