

### **City of Irvine**

### Budget Development Biennial Budget in the Context of a Five-Year Financial Plan







# **Budget Outreach**

### Budget Survey launched in October 2024 for the 2025-27 Budget

- Online survey was opened for two months
  - 13 survey questions with 399 responses
- Survey is currently open for additional input
  - <u>www.cityofirvine.org/budgetsurvey</u>

### **Community Budget Meeting**

- In-person outreach meeting March 13th
- Presentation will be posted on City website





### **Budget Survey Result**

Compared to other cities, how would you rate Irvine as a place to live?



# **Budget Overview**

- Enhancing and maintaining core City services
- One Irvine values
  - Humility, innovation, empathy, passion, integrity
- Mindful of upcoming challenges
  - Tariffs, inflation, economic slowdown, and labor market

	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
GENERAL FUND	Actual	Actual	Budget	Proposed	Proposed	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Revenues & Transfers-In	254,626,018	262,032,110	277,543,660	299,267,692	311,044,591	325,349,069	338,165,430	351,493,797
Expenditures & Transfers-Out	235,283,333	257,403,197	277,543,660	299,262,314	311,034,890	325,345,838	338,158,201	351,484,536

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\*Year-end adjustments removed to show General Fund operating trend.



## **General Fund Revenues**

- Top 3 revenues make up 77% of General Fund
- Slower growth in ongoing revenues.
- Irvine is doing better compared to other agencies, including County and State
- New revenue opportunities helps balance increasing costs
- Closely monitoring economic slowdown and challenges



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## **Property Tax**



### • Largest revenue source

- Irvine's assessed valuation from OC Assessor: \$113 billion
- Prior sales and market value increases added value to the City
- Higher interest rates have slowed down the market, resulting in lower expected growth rate
- New revenue in 2025-26 due to dissolution of Successor Agency



## **Sales Tax**

- Highly volatile to external factors
- Slower growth in 2025-26
- Experiencing decreased consumer spending in new automobile sales
- Decreased prices in oil results in lower revenue from gas stations
- Outperforming surrounding areas, including the County and State











- Dependent on travel and events in Irvine
- Occupancy levels still lower than pre-COVID-19 levels, but offset by higher rates
- Nature of travel shifting from business to leisure travel
- 23 hotels located in Irvine





## **General Fund Expenditures**

- Managing expenses while improving and maintaining Irvine quality services
- Irvine community continues to prioritize safety, infrastructure, and community programs
- Planning for increased costs on labor, materials, and contracts





### **Salaries & Benefits**



- Direct correlation to City services
- City enhancements through new full-time and part-time positions
- Provides the opportunity for departments to reorganize and adapt to changing environment
- Includes latest MOU agreement
- Monitor City's pension liability



### **Contract Services**

- Increasing costs across the board, with the most pronounced impacts seen in construction, labor, and materials expenditures
- Improve Fund management by consolidating of several Special Funds into General Fund
  - Nets zero through reductions in other spend categories







# **Contingency Reserve**

- City Council voted to maintain a minimum contingency reserve level of 20%
- As General Fund expenditures increase, the reserve level percentage decreases
- Projected balance: \$63.8 million
- Projected reserve level: 21%
- Replenishing reserve levels are considered during the end of each fiscal year







## **Capital Improvement Program**

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Turf



### **\$121 Million in Projects**

### **Community Budget Meeting**

#### Featured projects:

- Woollett Aquatics Center Expansion
- Red Hill Gym
- Great Park Live Improvements
- Urban Forecast Master Plan Tree Planting
- Yale Protected Bikeways
- Sand Canyon Pavement Rehabilitation
- Annual Slurry Seal and Local Street Rehabilitation





Provide additional input through the online Budget Survey

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