



City of Austin  
**2025-26  
BUDGET**

# FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget & FY 2026-27 Planned Budget

July 15, 2025

Art in Public Places: La Mujer by J Muzacz/Caminos Internship Program, 2022



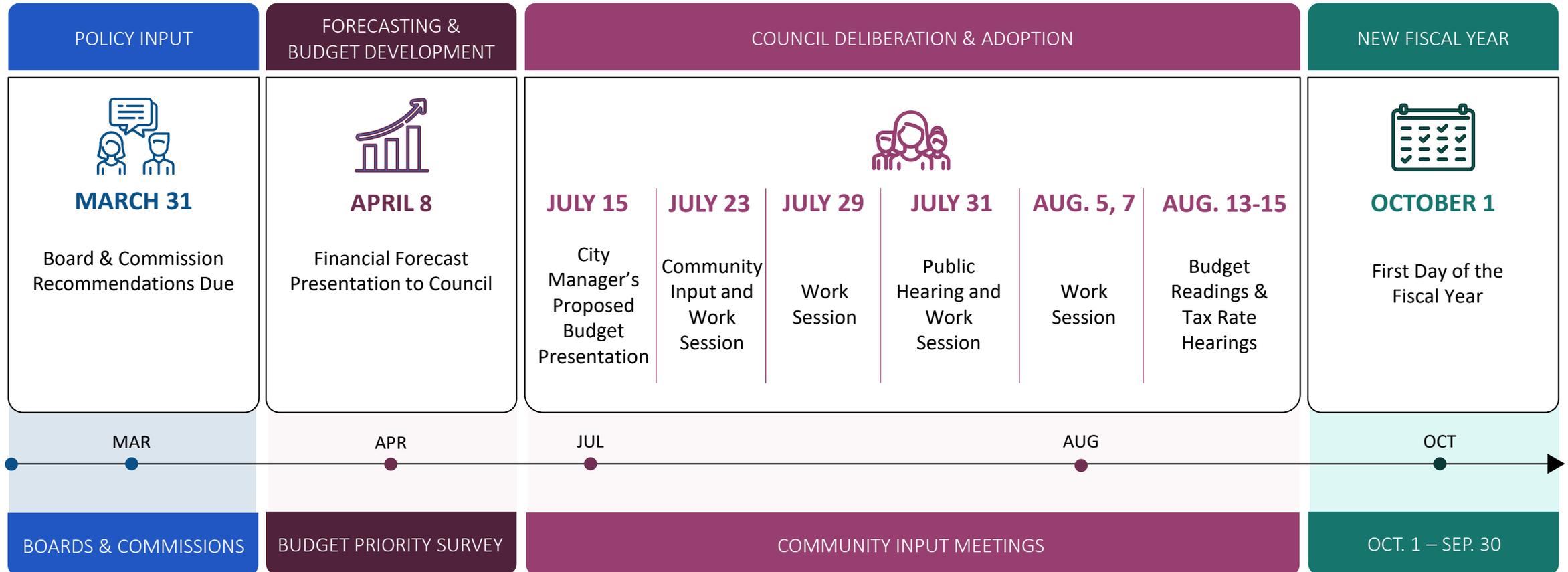


## Today's Agenda

- FY26 Budget Timeline
- All Funds Overview
- General Fund Highlights
- Enterprise Highlights
- Capital Budget Highlights
- Next Steps



# FY 2025-26 Budget Timeline





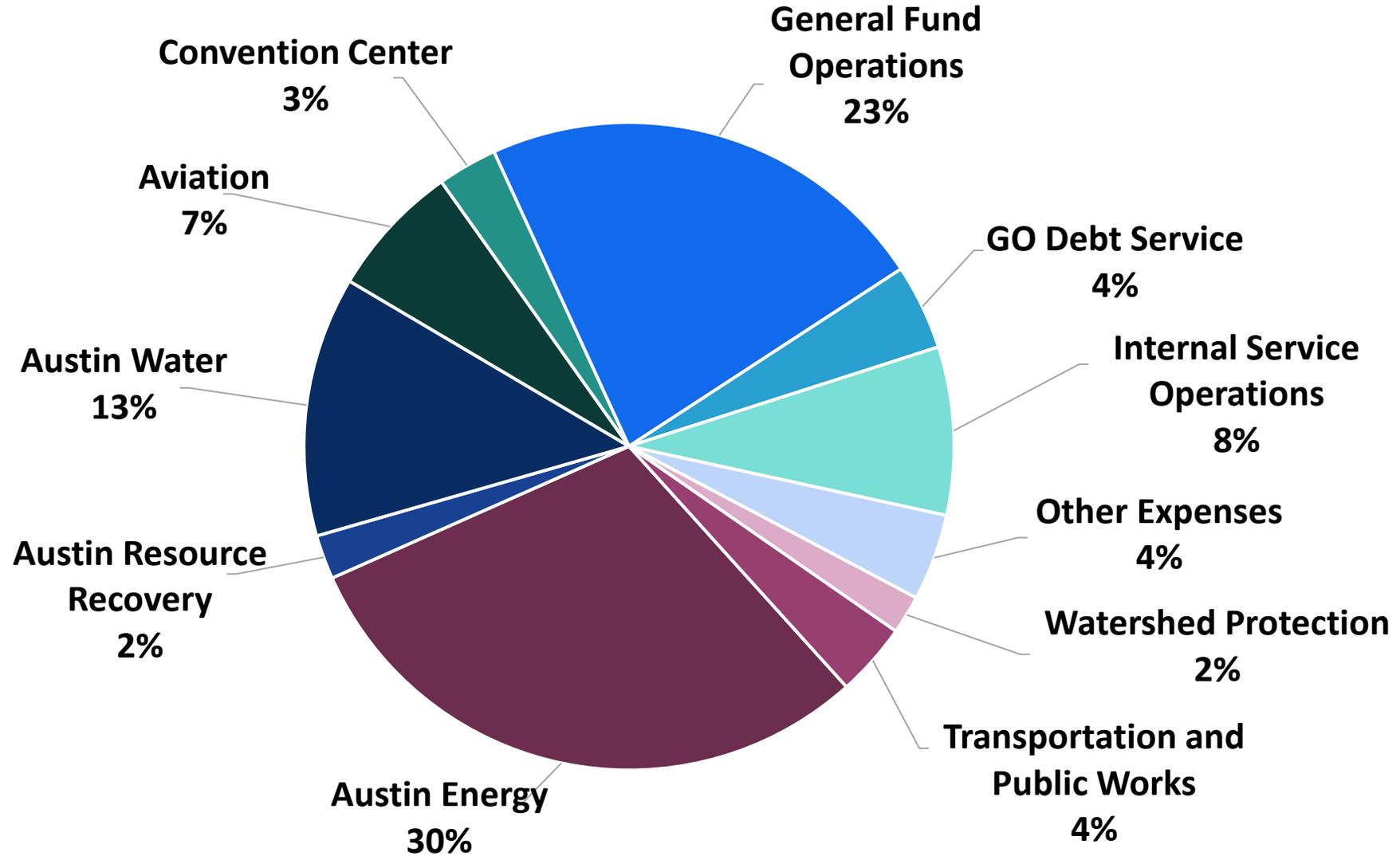
# ALL FUNDS OVERVIEW

# FY26 All City Funds - \$6.3 Billion



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## *Uses of Funds*



# City-wide Cost Drivers



|  | FY 2025-26 Proposed  | FY 2026-27 Planned  |
|--|--|---|
| <b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0% projected annual increase</li> <li>• No premium increases for employees</li> </ul>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5% projected increase (City Contribution)</li> <li>• No premium increases for employees</li> </ul> |
| <b>WAGES</b>                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4% base wage increase for civilian workforce</li> </ul>                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0% base wage increase for civilian workforce</li> </ul>  |
| <b>MARKET STUDY<br/>SALARY ADJUSTMENTS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annualized expenses from study of hard-to-fill Trade titles implemented mid-FY25</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Placeholder for civilian City-wide market study</li> </ul>   |
| <b>LIVING WAGE</b>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing from \$21.63 to \$22.05 per hour</li> </ul>                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Placeholder for living wage increase</li> </ul>  |
| <b>REDUCED CITY-WIDE<br/>VACANCY RATE</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eliminated 8 positions vacant longer than 2 years</li> </ul>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue strict review of positions vacant longer than 2 years</li> </ul>                          |



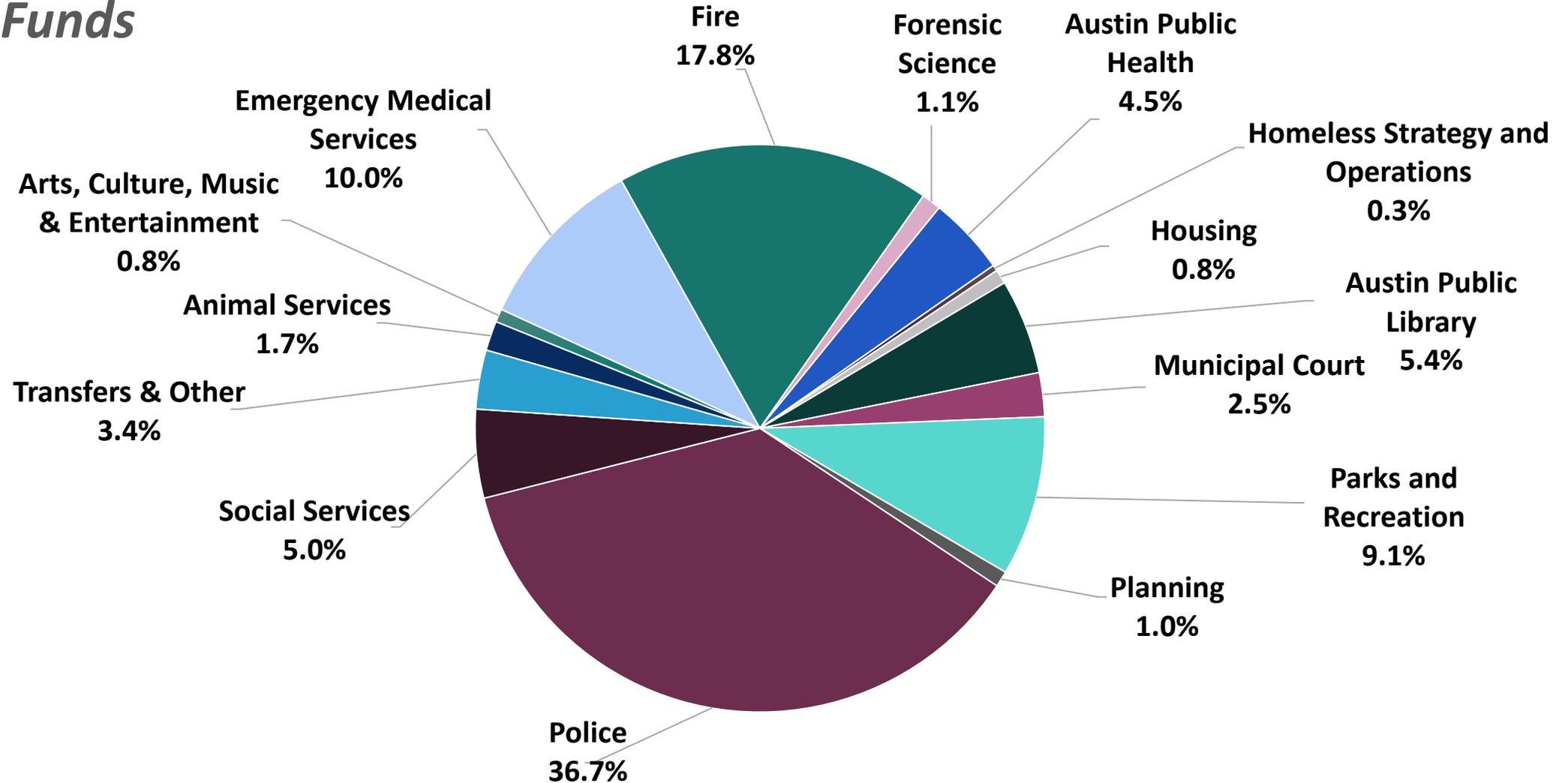
# GENERAL FUND HIGHLIGHTS

# FY26 General Fund: \$1.5 Billion



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## Uses of Funds



➤ \$53.1 million or 3.7% increase from the FY 2024-25 Amended Budget

# General Fund Cost Drivers: Civilian Employees



|   | FY 2025-26 Proposed | FY 2026-27 Planned |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>WAGE INCREASE, INCLUDING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4% in FY 2026</li> <li>• 0% in FY 2027</li> </ul>  | <b>\$9.3M</b>       | <b>\$0</b>         |
| <b>LIVING WAGE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing from \$21.63 to \$22.05 in FY 2026</li> <li>• Placeholder funding for further increase in FY 2027</li> </ul> | <b>\$1.2M</b>       | <b>\$2.0M</b>      |
| <b>HEALTH INSURANCE (City Contribution)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0% in FY 2025-26</li> <li>• 5% in FY 2026-27</li> </ul>  | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$2.4M</b>      |
| <b>MARKET STUDIES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trade titles in FY 2025-26</li> <li>• City-wide review in FY 2026-27</li> </ul>                                      | <b>\$0.9M</b>       | <b>\$5.0M</b>      |
| <b>CITY RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS</b>  | <b>\$3.9M</b>       | <b>\$0.8M</b>      |

# General Fund Cost Drivers: Sworn Employees



|                               | FY 2025-26 Proposed   | FY 2026-27 Planned  |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>EMS</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$2.1M</b> for 3.0% base wage increase per Meet &amp; Confer agreement</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$2.2M</b> for 3.0% base wage increase per Meet &amp; Confer agreement</li> </ul>   |
| <b>AUSTIN POLICE</b>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$13.2M</b> for 6.0% base wage increase per Meet &amp; Confer agreement</li> <li>• <b>\$1.3M</b> incremental cost of legacy liability &amp; <b>\$3.7M</b> increase City Contribution for payment to Police Retirement System</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$11.7M</b> for 5.0% base wage increase per Meet &amp; Confer agreement</li> <li>• <b>\$1.3M</b> incremental cost of legacy liability &amp; <b>\$0.5M</b> increase City Contribution for payment to Police Retirement System</li> </ul> |
| <b>AUSTIN FIRE</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$2.6M</b> incremental cost for recent reforms to Austin Firefighters Retirement Fund (AFRF)</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$4.3M</b> incremental cost for recent reforms to Austin Firefighters Retirement Fund (AFRF)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>SWORN HEALTH INSURANCE</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$0</b> incremental cost</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$3.2M</b> incremental cost</li> </ul>  |

# General Fund Cost Drivers: Cost Allocations & Transfers



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|   | FY 2025-26<br>Proposed | FY 2026-27<br>Planned |
|---|------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support Service departments include Human Resources, City Attorney’s Office, Financial Services, Facilities Management, City Council, and others</li> </ul>  | <b>\$6.8M</b>          | <b>\$6.5M</b>         |
| <b>INFORMATION &amp; TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides for the delivery of core IT infrastructure, applications, and information security</li> </ul>  | <b>\$6.4M</b>          | <b>\$2.8M</b>         |
| <b>CTECC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Combined Transportation, Emergency &amp; Communications Center is a regional public safety facility sustaining the operations of shared, critical emergency communications and transportation management</li> </ul> | <b>\$1.0M</b>          | <b>\$1.8M</b>         |
| <b>OTHER ALLOCATIONS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes 311 Call Center; Fleet Fuel &amp; Maintenance; Capital Delivery Services; Wireless; Workers’ Compensation; Liability Reserve; and Accrued Payroll</li> </ul>                                   | <b>\$3.8M</b>          | <b>\$3.1M</b>         |
| <b>TRANSFER TO BUDGET STABILIZATION RESERVE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Backing out FY 2025 transfer in FY 2026</li> </ul>   | <b>(\$1.5M)</b>        | <b>\$0</b>            |



# General Fund: Significant Adjustments

| <i>Public Safety</i>              |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Emergency Medical Services</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$338,000 for sworn positions added in FY 2025 for the Canyon Creek Fire/EMS station</li></ul>   |
| <b>Fire</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (\$8.3M) reduction in OT in anticipation of a planned restructuring of the Fire staffing model</li><li>• \$875,000 in one-time for the second half of a cadet class scheduled to begin in late FY 2025</li><li>• \$550,000 in one-time replacements of self-contained breathing apparatuses for firefighters</li><li>• \$416,000 for sworn positions added in FY 2025 for the Canyon Creek Fire/EMS station</li><li>• \$280,000 wildfire shelters and equipment to improve the safety of wildfire response teams</li></ul> |
| <b>Forensic Science</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$373,000 for 5 positions at the new Forensic Warehouse scheduled to open in FY 2026</li></ul>   |
| <b>Municipal Court</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (\$3.5M) reduction, including elimination of eighteen positions, as a result of a revised interlocal agreement reflecting Travis County providing magistration and Council At First Appearance services at its Central Booking facility</li></ul>  |
| <b>Police</b>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (\$9.0M) decrease in OT budget resulting from a staffing model changes that will increase officer availability for patrol functions</li><li>• (\$500,000) reduction for relocating the Blue Santa warehouse to a City-owned facility</li><li>• \$6.0 million revised Travis County ILA for magistration and Council At First Appearance services</li></ul>   |



# General Fund: Significant Adjustments

## *Homeless & Housing*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Homeless Strategies &amp; Operations</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$8.0M in one-time funding, provided through the Housing Trust Fund, for emergency shelter operations at the Marshaling Yard</li><li>• \$3.5M for a contract to continue operations at the 8th Street Shelter</li><li>• \$925,000 for twelve new positions to expand outreach and improve encampment management</li></ul>                                  |
| <b>Housing</b>                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$1.7M provided through the Housing Trust Fund, for the Housing Voucher program</li><li>• \$500,000 one-time provided through the Housing Trust Fund, for Displacement Mitigation Plan</li><li>• \$400,000 increase, provided through the Housing Trust Fund, for Emergency Rental Assistance, resulting in a total annual budget of \$4 million</li></ul> |
| <b>Planning</b>                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$225,000 for two positions: one to assist with district and comprehensive plans and one to support financial functions.</li></ul>   |



# General Fund: Significant Adjustments

| <i>Community Services</i>                     |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Animal Services</b>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$370,000 for two new Animal Protection Officers and two support staff positions</li><li>• (\$586,000) reduction in funding for contracts to provide emergency and specialty surgeries</li></ul>  |
| <b>Arts, Culture, Music and Entertainment</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$500,000 for five positions to provide financial and managerial support</li></ul>  |
| <b>Parks and Recreation</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$517,000 for the annualized cost of 20 positions added in FY 2025 to improve parks and cemeteries maintenance</li><li>• \$375,000 to improve maintenance of youth athletic fields at recreation centers across the city</li><li>• \$125,000 for two pool maintenance positions to support the new Colony Park pool and other aquatics facilities</li></ul> |
| <b>Public Library</b>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$400,000 for additional security staffing at library branches</li><li>• \$216,000 increase in funding for materials acquisition</li><li>• (\$107,000) reduction from closure of the Recycled Reads site to allow for expansion of the program across the library system</li></ul>  |
| <b>Public Health</b>                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (\$3.4 million) reduction in rent and operating expenses due to move from leased space to City facility</li></ul>   |

## *Budget Relies on One-Time Transfer from General Fund Reserves*

- General Fund Reserves budgeted to end FY26 at 15.8% of ongoing expenditures
- \$14.1 million one-time transfer from Budget Stabilization Reserve to General Fund to provide transitional funding for Social Services Contracts
  - \$2.3 million for critical one-time items
- FY27 Planned Budget ends year at 15.4% reserve level
  - No anticipated transfers or expenditures

### Reserve Policy Summary: FY 2025-26

**Total Budgeted Year-End  
General Fund Reserves**

**\$233.2M**

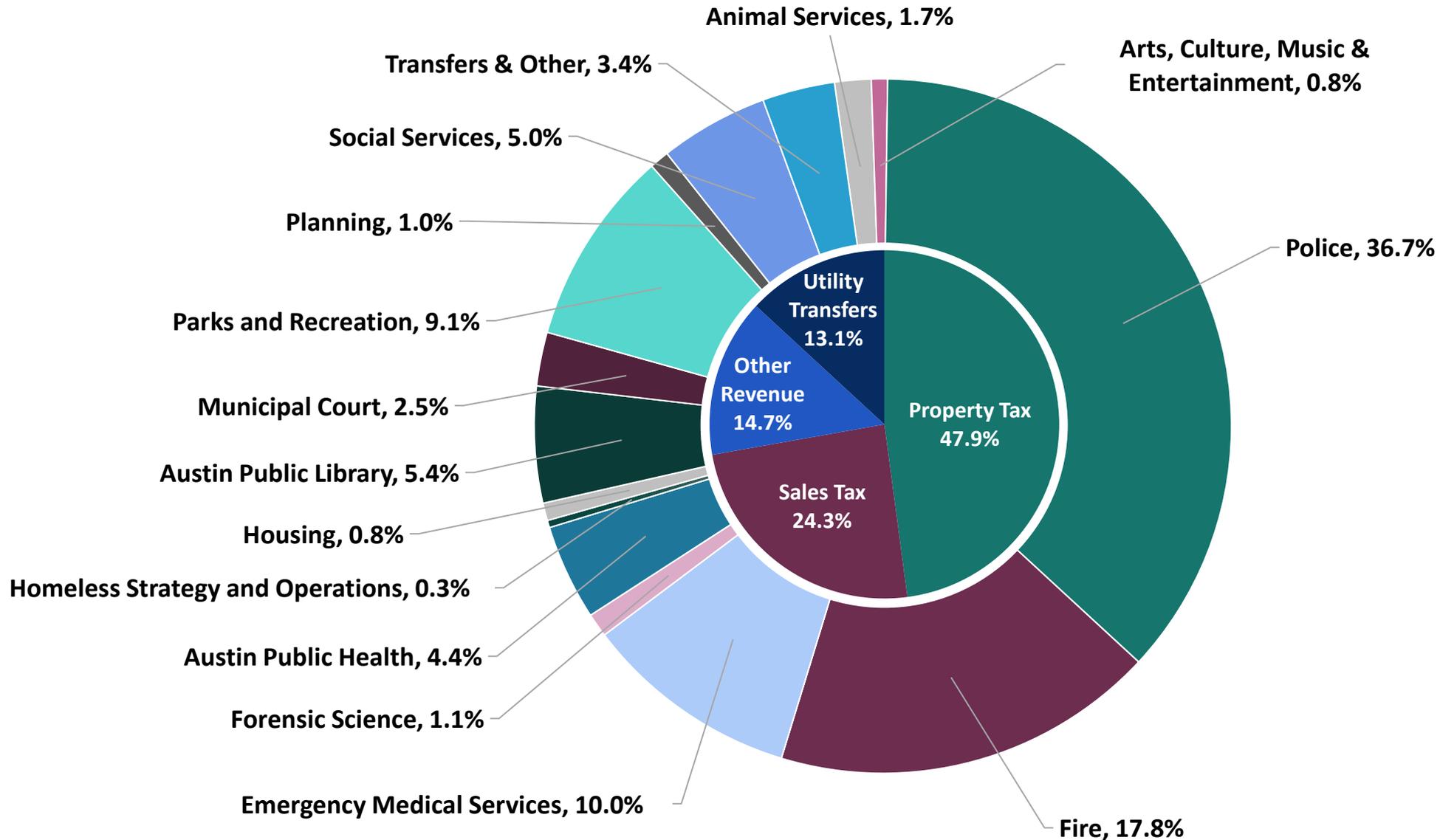
**Reserve Level**

**15.8%**

# FY26 General Fund Expenditures and Revenue



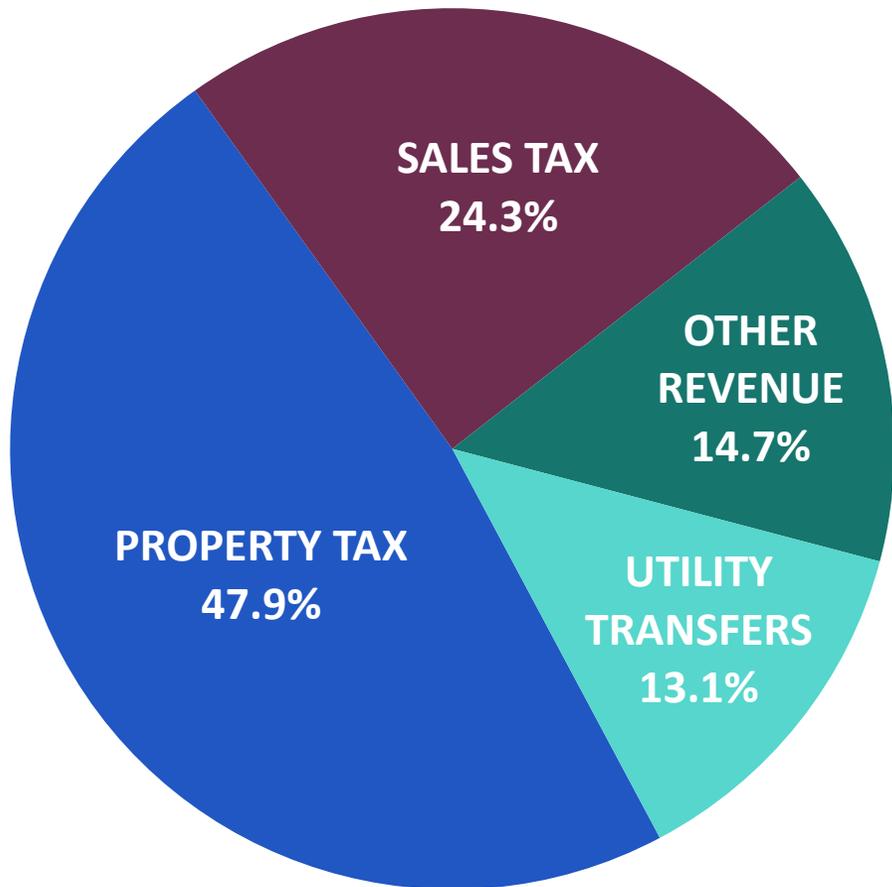
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# General Fund Revenue



*FY 2025-26 Projected Revenue:*  
*\$1,478.5 million*



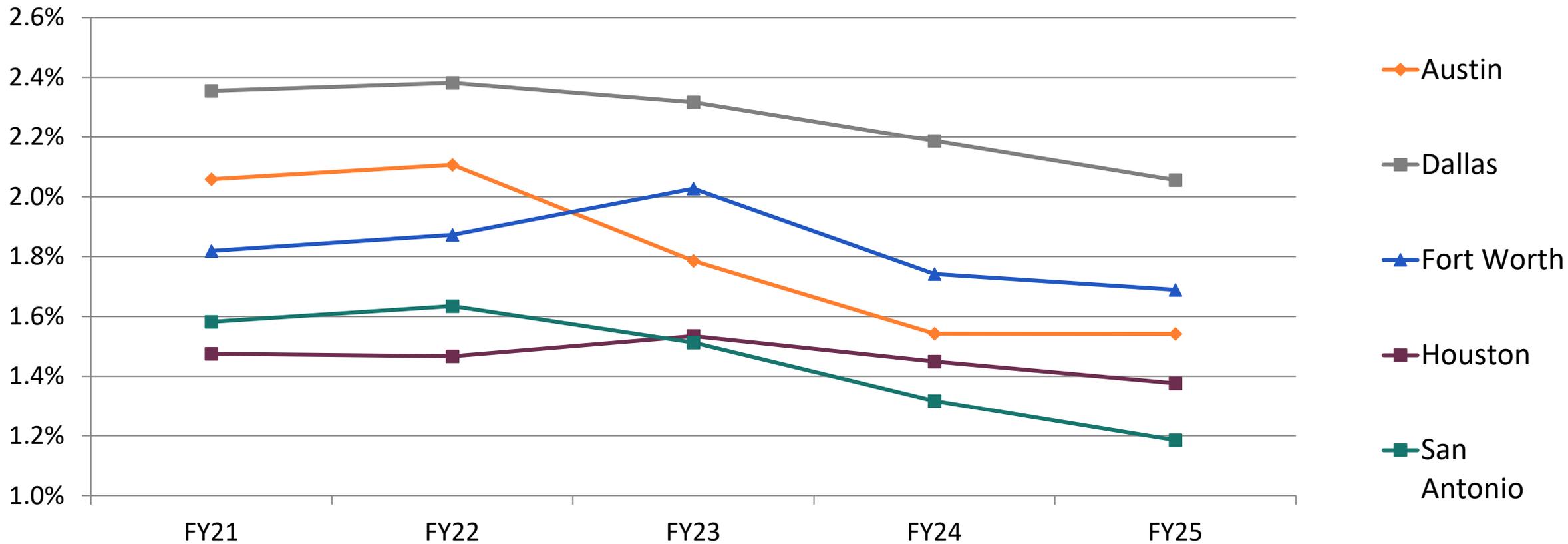
**General Fund Revenue Projections (millions)**

| Source                      | FY25 Estimate    | FY26 Proposed    | Increase (Decrease) | FY27 Planned     | Increase (Decrease) |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Property Tax                | \$680.1          | \$708.1          | \$28.0              | \$737.0          | \$28.9              |
| Sales Tax                   | \$363.0          | \$359.4          | (\$3.6)             | \$364.8          | \$5.4               |
| Utility Transfers           | \$177.4          | \$193.8          | \$16.4              | \$205.7          | \$11.9              |
| Other Transfers and Revenue | \$192.5          | \$217.2          | \$24.8              | \$204.9          | (\$12.3)            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>\$1,412.9</b> | <b>\$1,478.5</b> | <b>\$65.6</b>       | <b>\$1,512.4</b> | <b>\$33.9</b>       |

Note: Certain columns and rows may not add due to the use of rounded numbers.



## *City Property Tax Bill on Median-Value Home as a Share of Median Family Income: FY21 – FY25*



Net of homestead exemptions. Median home sales data from the Texas A&M Real Estate Center. Median family income from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.



## Property Tax

**Proposed FY 2025-26 Property Tax Rate = 52.76¢**

| General Fund M&O | Project Connect | Debt          |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>32.67¢</b>    | <b>8.58¢</b>    | <b>11.51¢</b> |

|                      | Growth Rate | Total Certified Taxable Value | New Property Taxable Value | Tax Rate |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| FY 2024-25           | 0.9%        | \$236.3 billion               | \$5.4 billion              | 47.76¢   |
| FY 2025-26 Projected | (3.9%)      | \$227.1 billion               | \$2.3 billion              | 52.76¢   |
| FY 2026-27 Projected | 2.0%        | \$231.6 billion               | \$2.5 billion              | 55.62¢   |

## Property Tax

### Projected Property Tax Bill

- City Council increased senior and disabled exemption from \$154,000 to \$192,000 in May
- Almost 29% of homesteads have remaining accrued tax limitation value

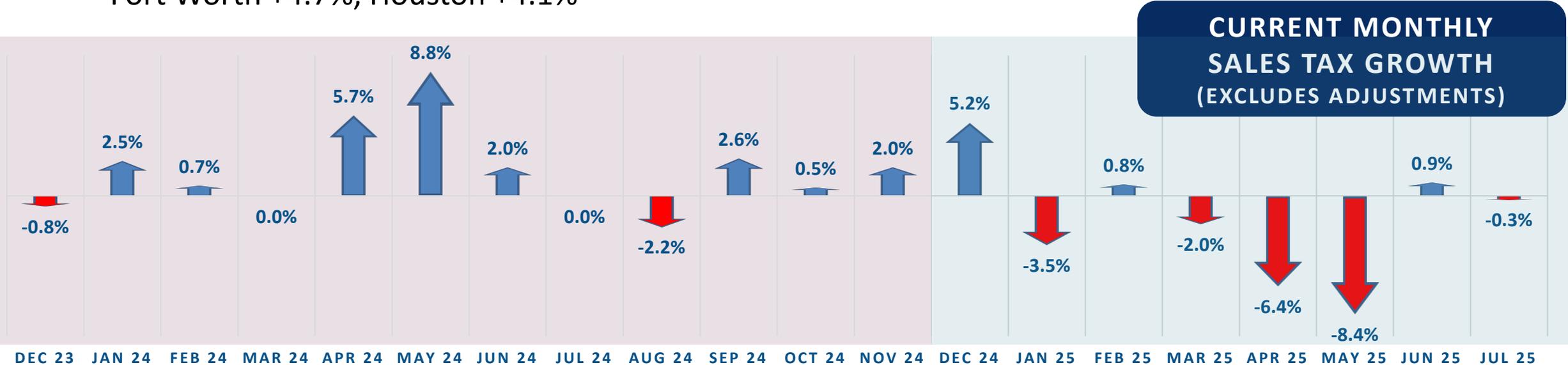
|  | FY25<br>Approved | FY25<br>Proposed | Annual<br>Increase | % Change | FY27<br>Planned | Annual<br>Increase | % Change |
|--|------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|----------|
| <b>Non-Senior Homestead</b><br>FY26 projected median assessed value of \$503,306, net of 20% homestead exemption                               | \$1,969          | \$2,124          | \$155              | 7.9%     | \$2,284         | \$160              | 7.5%     |
| <b>Senior/Disabled Homestead</b><br>FY26 projected median assessed value of \$528,535, net of general and senior/disabled homestead exemptions | \$1,245          | \$1,218          | (\$27)             | (2.1%)   | \$1,331         | \$113              | 6.9%     |



# General Fund Revenue

## Sales Tax

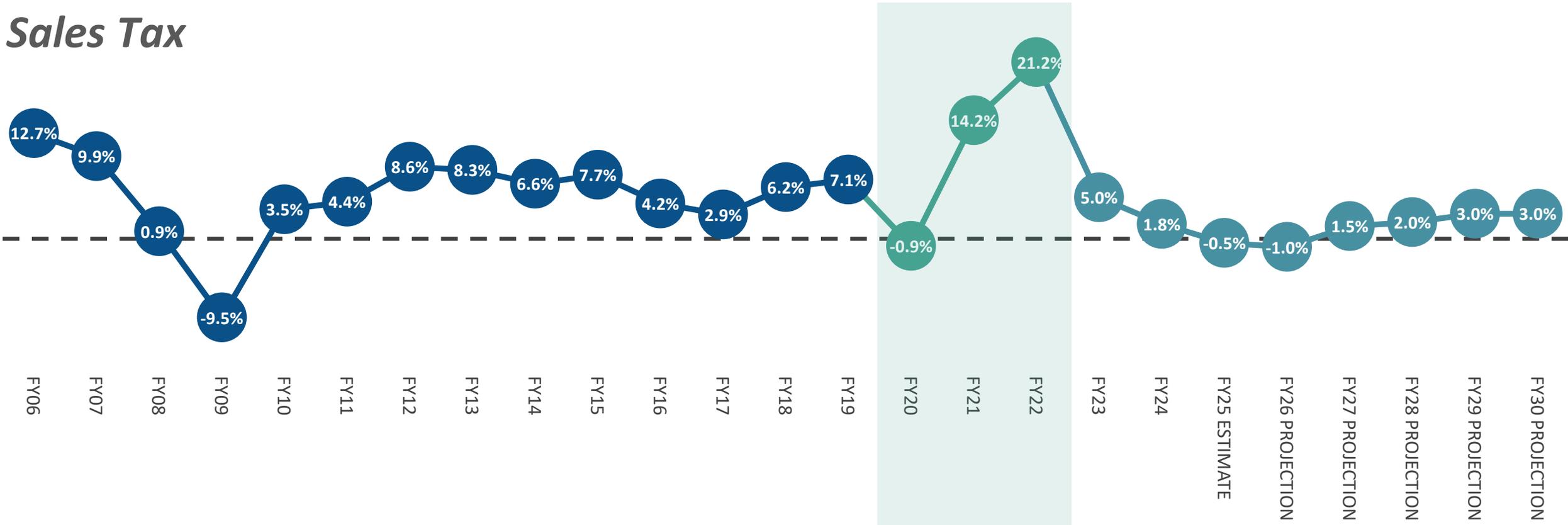
- Through 8 payments, FY25 year-to-date collections: **-0.3%**, \$10.5M below budget
- Current collections, which exclude adjustments, showing year-to-date decline of **1.8%**
- **Uncertainty, economic sluggishness will persist into FY26**
  - Project 0.4% decline in each of remaining months of the year; 1% annual decline in FY26
  - Austin lags peer cities in calendar 2025 YTD results: Austin -1.5%, Dallas +3.1%, San Antonio +1.8%, Fort Worth +4.7%, Houston +4.1%





# General Fund Revenue

## Sales Tax



Pre-COVID 10-Year Average Annual Growth:

**5.9%**

Future Projections:  
10-Year Average Annual Growth

**4.8%**

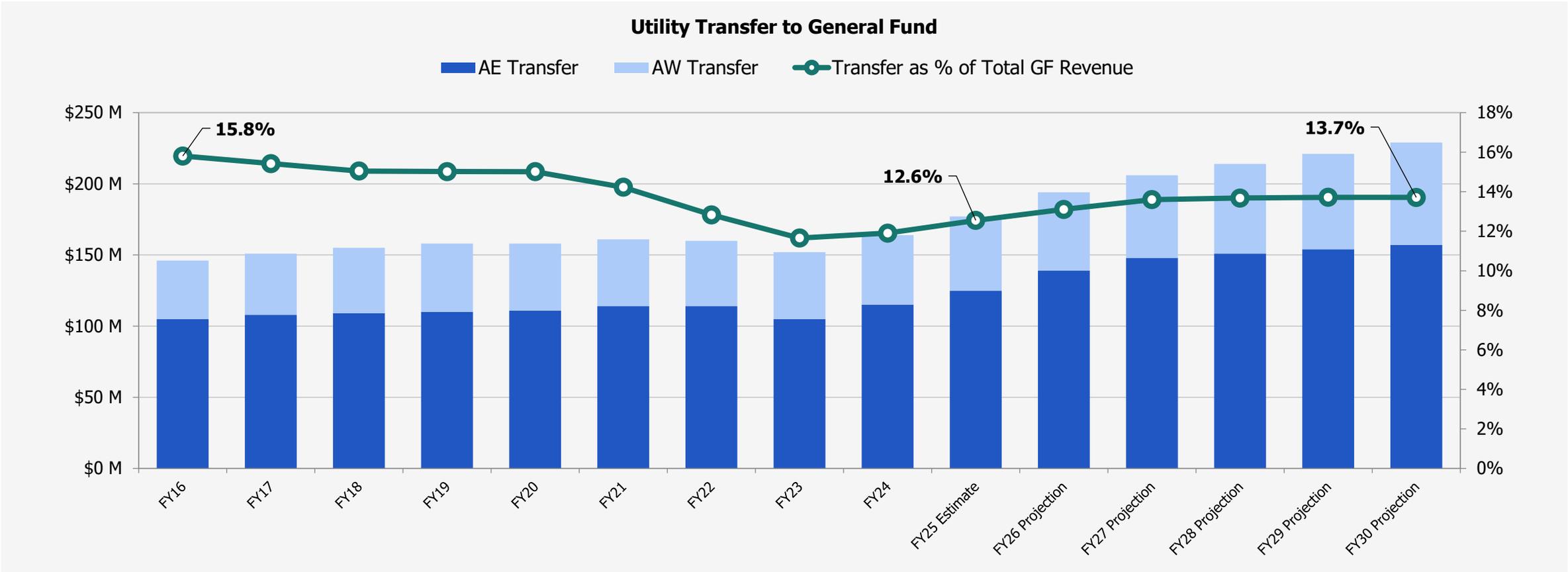
## Utility Transfers

- Austin Energy transfer calculated based on 12% of the three-year average of non-power supply revenue
- Austin Water transfer set at 8.2% of the three-year average of gross revenue

| Fiscal Year      | AE Transfer        | AW Transfer | Total Increase |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------|
|                  | <i>in millions</i> |             |                |
| FY 2024          | \$115.0            | \$49.0      |                |
| FY 2025 Estimate | \$125.0            | \$52.4      | \$13.4         |
| FY 2026 Proposed | \$139.0            | \$54.8      | \$16.4         |
| FY 2027 Planned  | \$148.0            | \$57.7      | \$11.9         |



## Utility Transfer to the General Fund



- Austin Energy transfer financial policy: not to exceed 12% of three-year average of non-power supply revenue

- Austin Water transfer financial policy: not to exceed 8.2% of the three-year average of gross revenue

## Other Revenue

- \$14.1M one-time transfer from BSRF to General Fund in FY26
- Expectation for rate cuts to begin in late 2025; decline in projected interest earnings partially offsets growth in other sources over forecast period

### Other Revenue:

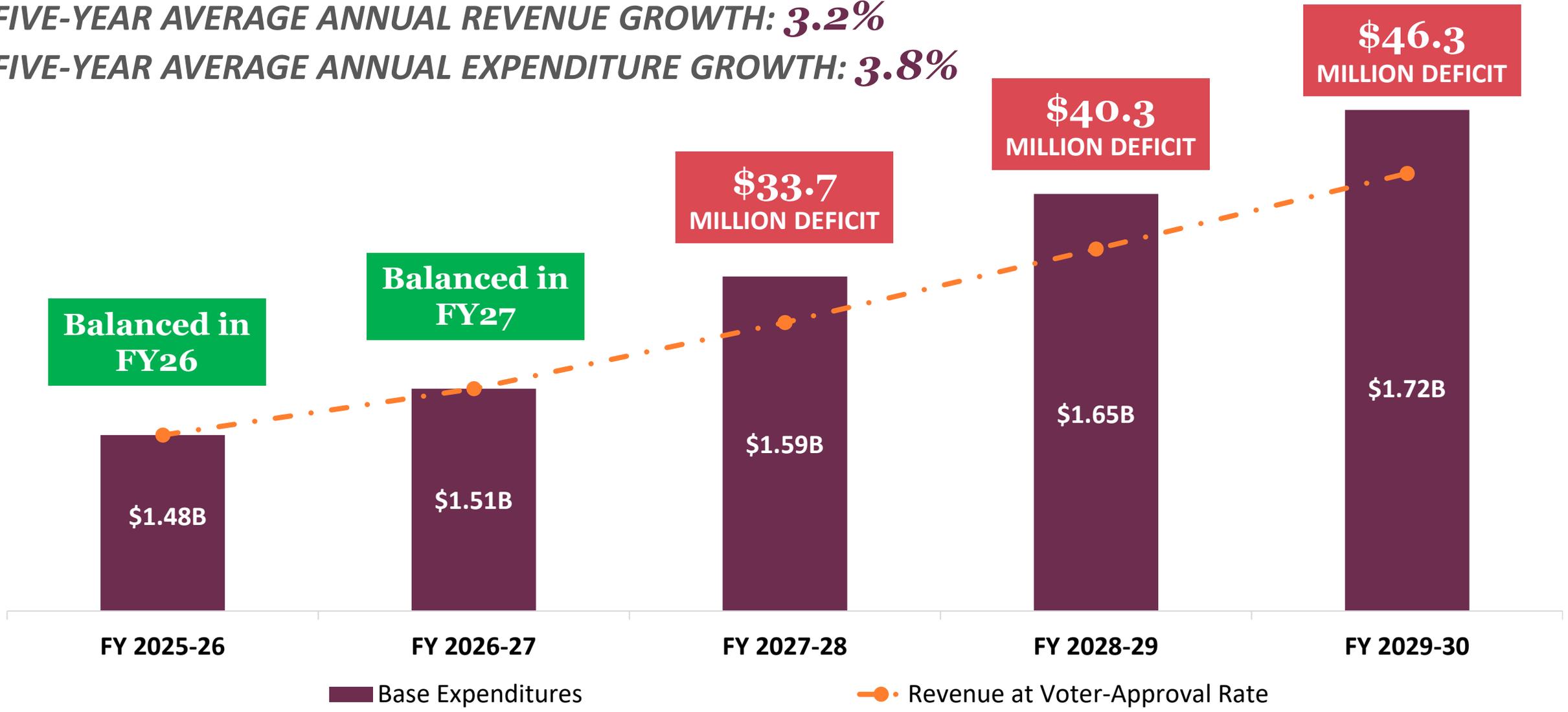
- Interest
- Telecommunications, Gas, and Cable Franchise Fees
- EMS charges for service
- Public health and safety licenses, inspections, and permits
- Recreation charges for service
- Alarm permits
- Reimbursements
- Fines





# General Fund Five-Year Base Forecast

*FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE ANNUAL REVENUE GROWTH: 3.2%*  
*FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROWTH: 3.8%*





# ENTERPRISE HIGHLIGHTS

## *Eight Major Enterprise Departments*



**AUSTIN  
AVIATION**



**AUSTIN  
CONVENTION CENTER**



**AUSTIN  
WATER**



**AUSTIN  
ENERGY**



**AUSTIN  
TRANSPORTATION  
AND PUBLIC WORKS**



**AUSTIN  
RESOURCE  
RECOVERY**



**AUSTIN  
DEVELOPMENTAL  
SERVICES**



**AUSTIN  
WATERSHED  
PROTECTION**

# Austin Aviation



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$292.5 MILLION, 3.4% ↑ ; 688 FTEs, 2.8% ↑**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$3.3M increase for 24 positions to support expanded airport facilities
- \$64M planned transfer to fund airport expansion and infrastructure projects

### REVENUE & RATES:

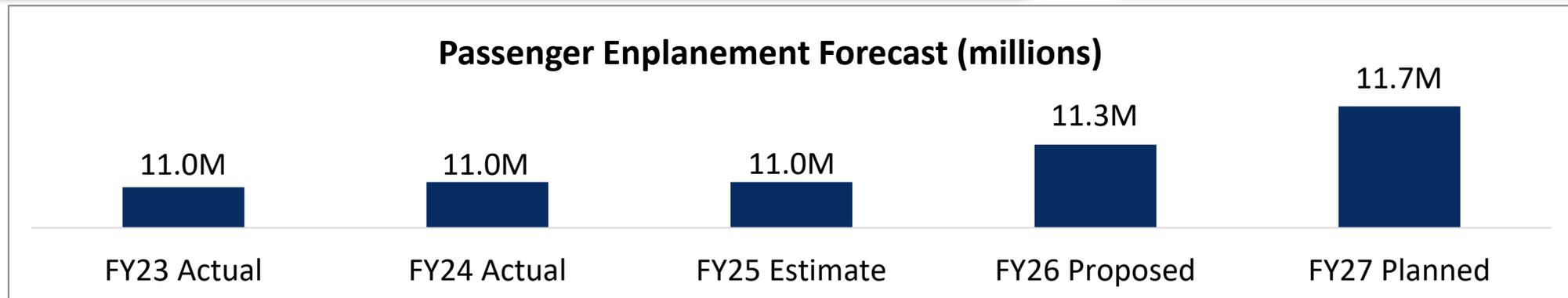
- \$77.2M increase in revenue from anticipated airline agreement beginning in FY26
- \$3.0M decrease in other revenue sources to adjust for parking revenue and interest income projections

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$40.1M increase in total revenue
- \$1.7M for 20 positions in FY27 to support new facilities
- \$2.2M reduction in operational expenses to reflect the closure of the South Terminal

**Passenger Enplanement Forecast (millions)**



# Austin Convention Center



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$125.3 MILLION, 3.7% ↓ ; 269 FTEs, 9.1% ↓**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$12.5M decrease in operational expenses, including the elimination of 27 vacant positions due to the facility closure
- \$11.0M increase in transfers for Convention Center expansion and other infrastructure projects

### REVENUE & RATES:

- \$1.2M increase in Palmer Event Center fee revenue based on scheduled events
- \$10.3M decrease in Convention Center fee revenue due to the planned closure of the facility
- \$2.6M decrease in projected HOT collections

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$2.2M increase in projected HOT collections in FY27
- \$0.6M increase in total requirements, primarily due to expansion project costs in FY27

| Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT)      | Allocation* | FY26 Amount  |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Austin Convention Center       | 4.50 cents  | \$68,436,109 |
| Venue Project Fund             | 2.00 cents  | \$30,416,048 |
| Convention Center Capital Fund | 2.00 cents  | \$30,416,048 |
| Cultural Arts                  | 1.05 cents  | \$15,968,425 |
| Historic Preservation          | 1.05 cents  | \$15,968,425 |
| Tourism & Promotion Fund       | 0.40 cents  | \$6,083,210  |

*\*Not inclusive of the additional funding for tourism and promotion contracts with the Convention Center or the 15% of 2¢ for live music and historic preservation*

# Austin Development Services



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$110.6 MILLION, 0.1%↑ ; 587 FTEs, 6.2%↓**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$6.0M decrease from the reduction of 45 vacant positions due to contraction in development activity
- \$1.3M increase in temporary and contract staffing
- \$0.6M increase for graffiti abatement pilot program

### REVENUE & RATES:

- Total revenue: \$104.0M
- \$7.7M increase in permitting and development fee revenue
- 2.1% increase to the ADS-Code typical ratepayer’s total monthly bill

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$0.5M for 6 positions to establish the graffiti abatement program in FY27
- Planned 2.1% increase to the ADS-Code typical ratepayer’s total monthly bill

| Major Fee/Rate Description:<br>Code Component of Monthly Residential Clean Community Fee |                     |           |
|--|---------------------|-----------|
| FY25 Actual Rate:  | FY26 Proposed Rate: | Increase: |
| \$4.70   | \$4.80              | \$0.10    |

**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$2.0 BILLION, 5.8% ↑; 1,965 FTEs, 1.6% ↑**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$2.2M increase for 32 positions, partially offset by a reduction to contract services
- \$3.7 M increase for Customer Energy Solutions rebates and incentives

### REVENUE & RATES:

- Total revenue: \$2.0B, a 5.1% increase
- 4% decrease in the AE typical ratepayer's total monthly bill

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$2.8M for 20 positions in FY27 to improve system reliability and resiliency
- Planned rate increase of 5.0% to the AE typical ratepayer's total monthly bill

### Major Fee/Rate Description: Monthly Electric Bill for Typical Residential Customer

| FY25 Budgeted Rate: | FY26 Proposed Rate: | Decrease: |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| \$121.96            | \$117.07            | (\$4.89)  |

# Austin Resource Recovery



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$146.6 MILLION, 9.0% ↑ ; 533 FTEs, 0.6% ↑**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$0.6M for 7 positions to operate the furniture reuse warehouse, expand litter abatement programs, and resume the driver training program
- \$2.6M increase in transfers for vehicle purchases and debt service payments related to the Northeast Service Center

### REVENUE & RATES:

- Total revenue: \$145.4 million, 7.8% increase
- 7.5% increase in the ARR typical ratepayer's total monthly bill

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$2.6M increase for costs related to the Northeast Service Center
- Planned 1.8% rate increase in the ARR-CCF typical ratepayer's monthly bill
- Planned 3.6% rate increase in the ARR typical ratepayer's monthly bill

| Major Fee/Rate Description            | FY25 Actual Rate | FY26 Proposed Rate | Increase |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------|
| ARR Residential Clean Community Fee   | \$5.45           | \$5.45             | \$0.00   |
| Typical Resident: Curbside Collection | \$33.40          | \$36.30            | \$2.90   |

# Austin Transportation and Public Works



FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: **\$243.1 MILLION, 6.2% ↑**; **886.75 FTEs, 1.6% ↑**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$0.9M for the Construction Partnership program to coordinate construction activity in Central Texas
- \$1.7M for 12 positions to maintain streets and manage critical infrastructure projects

### REVENUE & RATES:

- Total revenue: \$234.6M, 6.1% increase
- 9.9% increase in the ATPW typical ratepayer's total monthly bill

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$4.4M increase in City-wide cost drivers and debt service in FY27
- Planned 8.4% rate increase to the ATPW typical ratepayer's monthly bill

### Major Fee/Rate Description: Monthly Residential Transportation User Fee

| FY25 Actual Rate: | FY26 Proposed Rate: | Increase: |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| \$19.74           | \$21.70             | \$1.96    |



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$849.9 MILLION, 9.9% ↑; 1,439 FTEs, 2% ↑**

**FY 2026**

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

- \$2.3M for 18 positions to improve operational support and customer experience
- \$1.4M to covert 13 temporary positions to permanent positions
- \$48.8M increase in transfers for debt service and planned infrastructure projects

**REVENUE & RATES:**

- Total revenue: \$829.3M, an 8.1% increase
- 9.6% increase in the Austin Water typical ratepayer’s monthly bill

**FY 2027**

**PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:**

- 31 positions in FY27 to support operations, advanced metering, engineering and environmental and development services
- Planned 7.8% rate increase for the Austin Water typical ratepayer’s monthly bill

| Major Fee/Rate Description:<br>Monthly Austin Water Bill for Typical Residential Customer |                     |           |
|---|---------------------|-----------|
| FY25 Actual Rate:   | FY26 Proposed Rate: | Increase: |
| \$91.20   | \$99.91             | \$8.71    |

# Austin Watershed Protection



**FY 2026 TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: \$127.8 MILLION, 4.5% ↑; 456.75 FTEs, 3.2% ↑**

## FY 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- \$2.0M for 14 positions and increased temporary employee funding to address backlogs in critical service areas
- \$0.3M to implement the Storm Drain Rehabilitation Program

### REVENUE & RATES:

- Total revenue: \$125.0 million, 4.5% increase
- 5%, increase in the AWP typical ratepayer's total monthly bill

## FY 2027

### PLANNED ASSUMPTIONS:

- \$1.4M for 14 positions in FY27 to maintain infrastructure portfolio and mitigate maintenance backlogs
- Planned 8.6% rate increase in the AWP typical ratepayer's monthly bill

### Major Fee/Rate Description: Monthly Drainage Utility Fee for Typical Residential Customer

| FY25 Actual Rate: | FY26 Proposed Rate: | Increase: |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| \$13.38           | \$14.05             | \$0.67    |

# FY26 Major Rate and Fees



## *Projected Combined Increase of 4.9% for Typical Rate- and Taxpayer*

|                                 | FY25<br>Monthly<br>Rate | FY26<br>Proposed<br>Rate | \$<br>Increase | %<br>Increase | FY27<br>Planned<br>Rate | \$<br>Increase | %<br>Increase | Typical rate- and taxpayer defined as:   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| <b>Austin Energy</b>            | \$121.96                | \$117.07                 | (\$4.89)       | (4.0%)        | \$120.03                | \$2.96         | 2.5%          | <i>Residential customer usage of 860 Kwh</i>   |
| <b>Austin Water</b>             | \$91.20                 | \$99.91                  | \$8.71         | 9.6%          | \$107.67                | \$7.76         | 7.8%          | <i>Residential customer usage of 5,800 gallons of water and 4,000 gallons of wastewater</i>                |
| <b>Austin Resource Recovery</b> | \$33.40                 | \$36.30                  | \$2.90         | 8.7%          | \$37.60                 | \$1.30         | 3.6%          | <i>Residential customer with a 64-gallon cart</i>  |
| <b>Clean Community Fee</b>      | \$10.15                 | \$10.25                  | \$0.10         | 1.0%          | \$10.45                 | \$0.20         | 2.0%          | <i>Per residential unit</i>  |
| <b>Transportation User Fee</b>  | \$19.74                 | \$21.70                  | \$1.96         | 9.9%          | \$23.51                 | \$1.81         | 8.3%          | <i>Per single-family home</i>  |
| <b>Drainage Utility Fee</b>     | \$13.38                 | \$14.05                  | \$0.67         | 5.0%          | \$15.25                 | \$1.20         | 8.5%          | <i>Residential customer with 3,100 sq. ft./37% of impervious cover</i>                                     |
| <b>Property Tax Bill</b>        | \$164.13                | \$177.03                 | \$12.90        | 7.9%          | \$190.36                | \$13.33        | 7.5%          | <i>Median non-senior homestead with a projected FY26 assessed value of \$503,306, net of 20% exemption</i> |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>\$453.96</b>         | <b>\$476.31</b>          | <b>\$22.35</b> | <b>4.9%</b>   | <b>\$504.87</b>         | <b>\$28.56</b> | <b>6.0%</b>   |  |



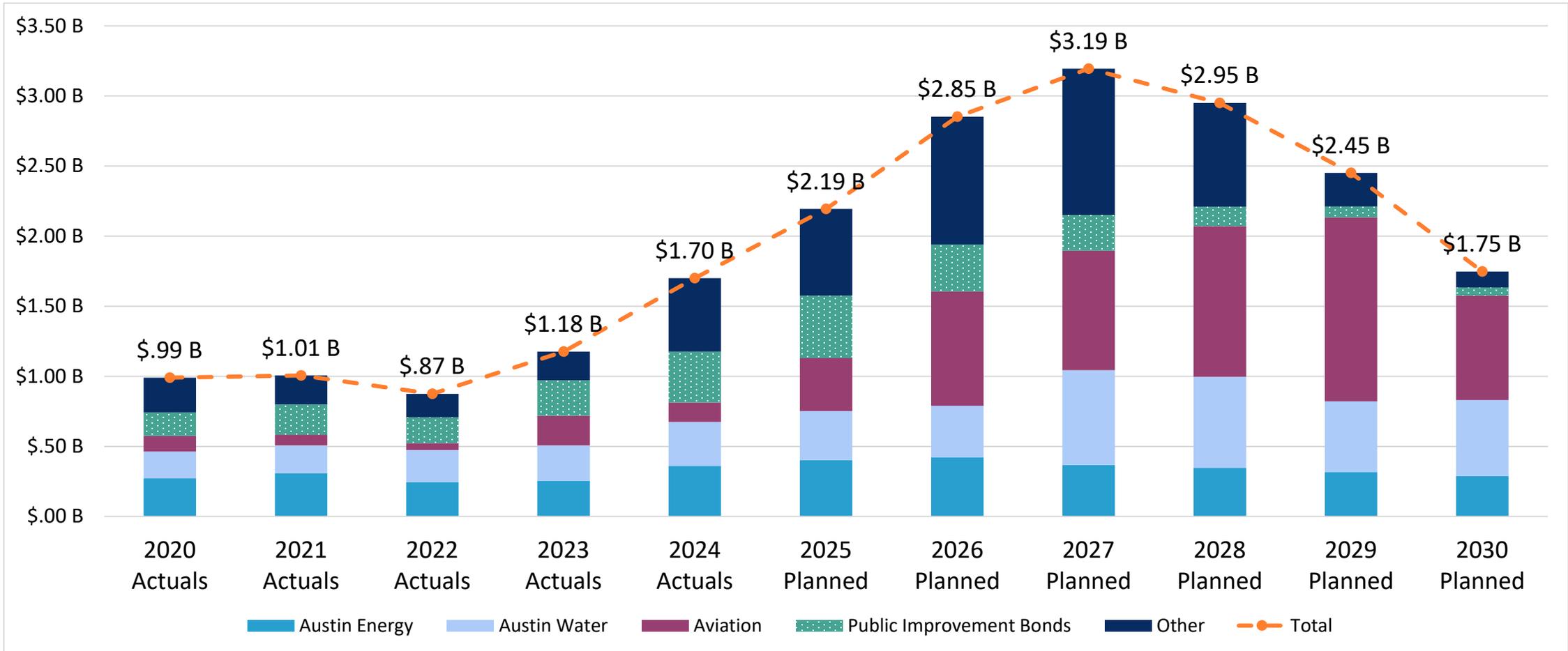
# CAPITAL BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

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City of Austin  
**2025-26  
BUDGET**

## *FY26-30 Five-Year CIP Spend Plan*

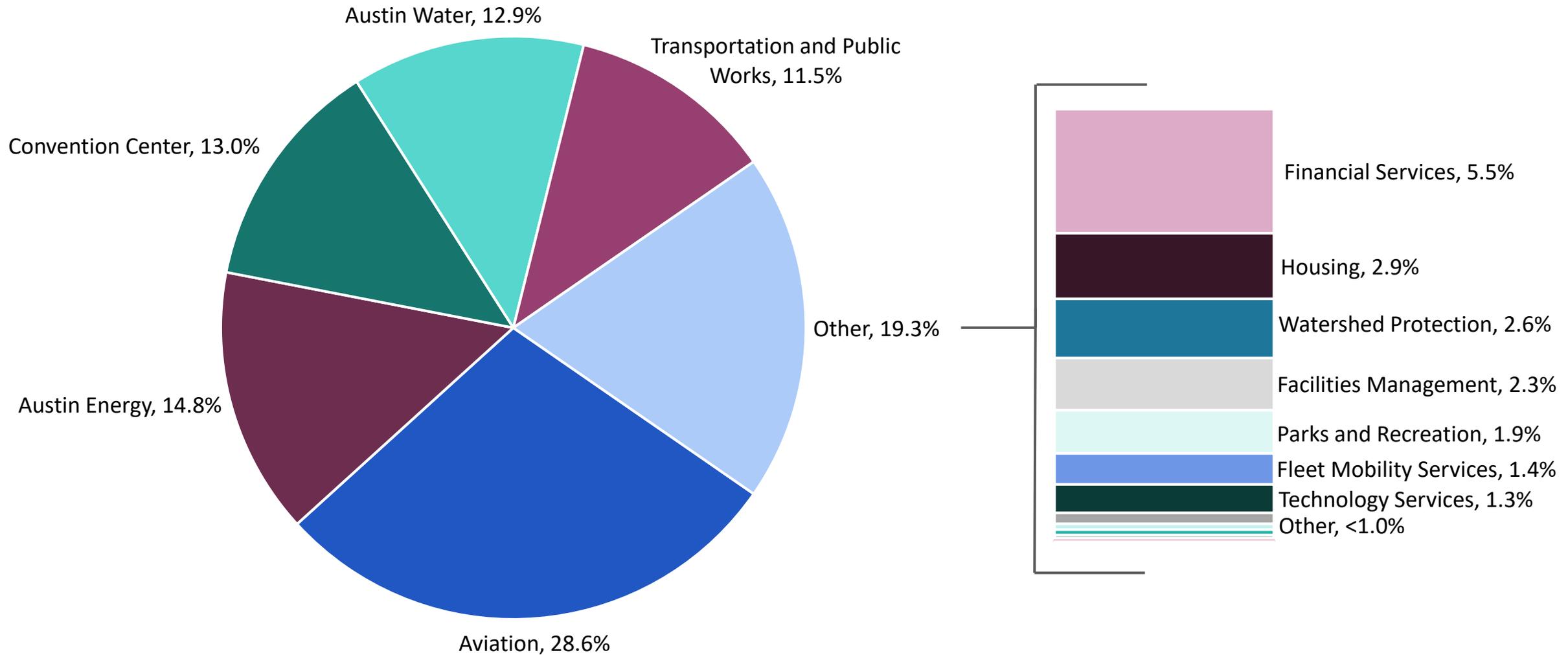


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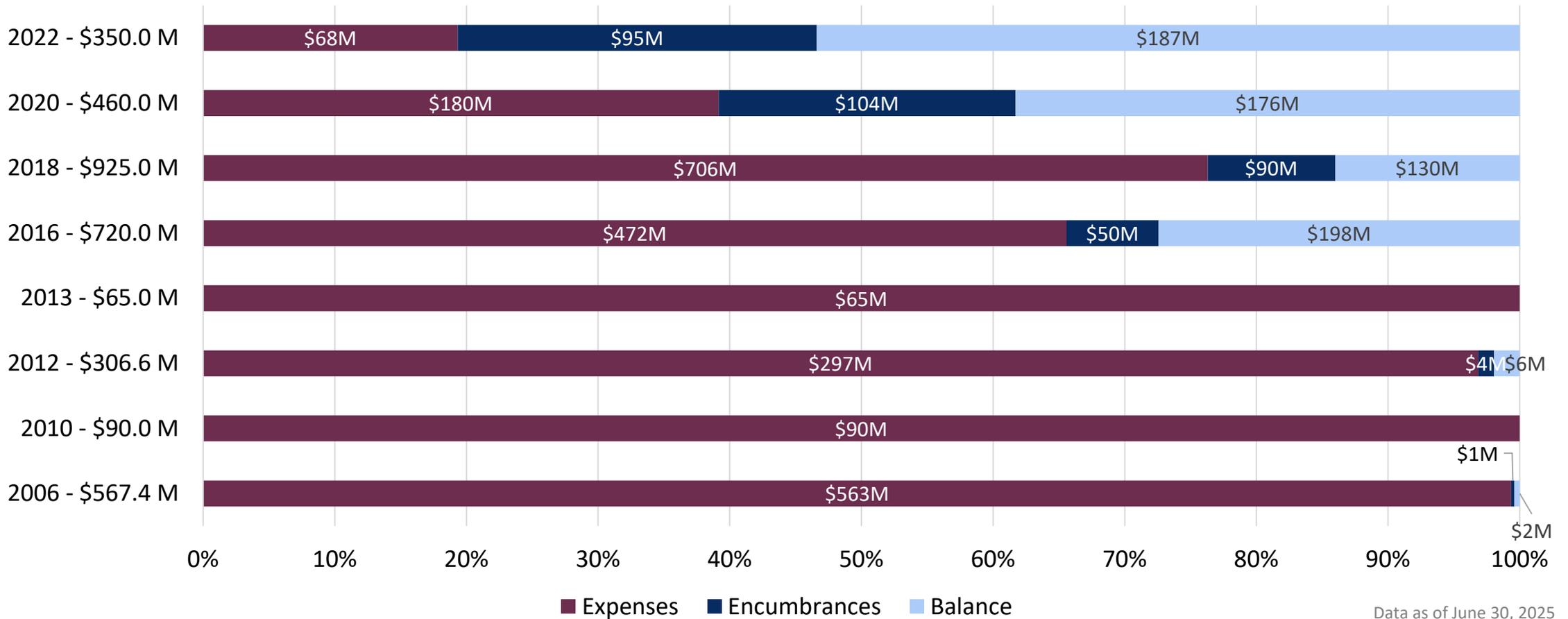
## *FY26 Capital Spending - \$2.9 billion*



# Capital Budget Highlights



## Financial Summary of Prior Bond Programs



Data as of June 30, 2025

## *Departmental Highlights: FY26 Budgeted Spending*



### **AVIATION**

\$197 million for Midfield Taxiway and \$168 million for West Garage Lot B construction



### **AUSTIN ENERGY**

\$106 million for transmission projects, including substations at Kramer Lane and Timber Creek



### **AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER**

\$361 million for the Convention Center Expansion, \$1.5 billion projected through FY 2029-30



### **TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS**

\$76 million for corridor program projects from the 2016 Mobility Bond



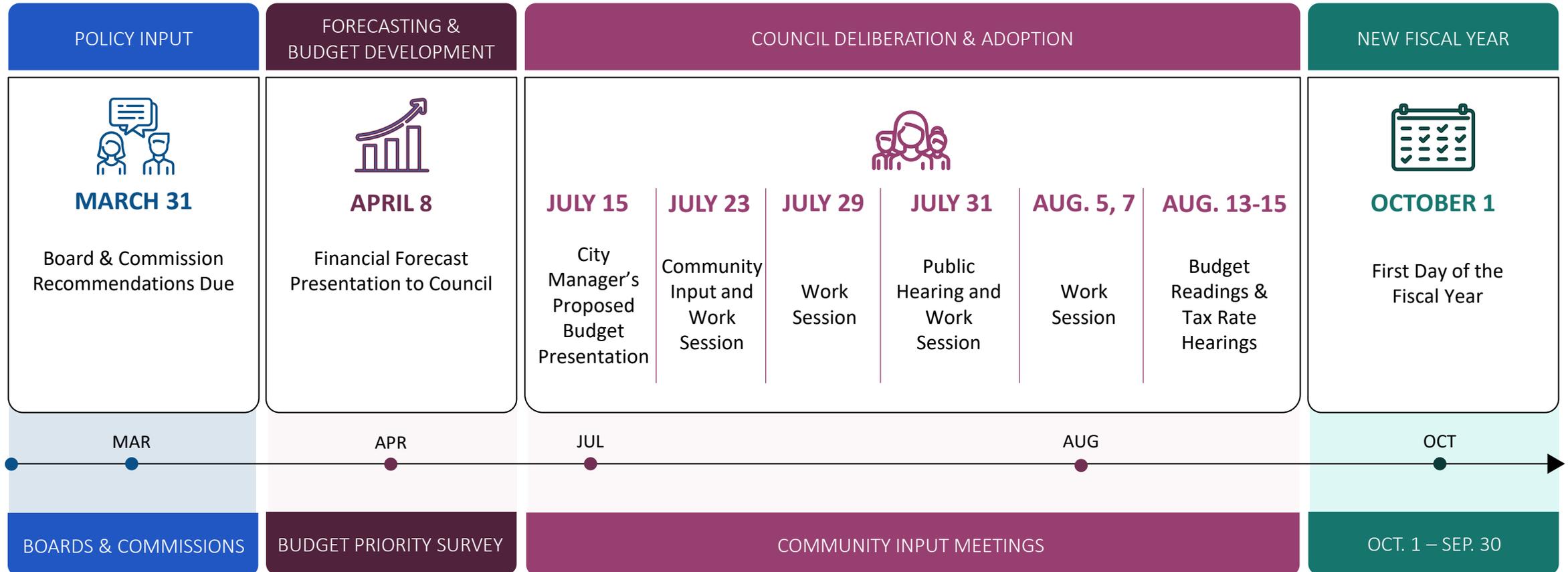
### **AUSTIN WATER**

\$54 million for Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion, \$629 million through FY 2029-30



# NEXT STEPS

# FY 2025-26 Budget Timeline



# QUESTIONS?



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## Art Featured:

La Mujer is a mosaic mural created by participants in the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center's (MACC) [Camino teen leadership](#) program, under the guidance of local muralist [J Muzacz](#) and Caminos coordinator Frederico Geib. This permanent outdoor artwork is located at the Southeast corner of the MACC.

Iconic role models featured in the mural include Selena Quintanilla, Dolores Huerta, and Emma Barrientos, to name a few. The mural celebrates their courage and success as trailblazers in art, music, and dance as well as their dual roles of activists, mothers, and community leaders.