

# Budget Town Hall

## IBA Review of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget



Office of the Independent Budget Analyst



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## Presentation Overview

- Budget Adoption Process
- Overview of the Proposed Budget
- Key Budget Issues
- Next Steps
- Additional Resources

# Why is the City's Budget Important?

*The Budget is a statement of  
– and plan to address –  
City Priorities.*

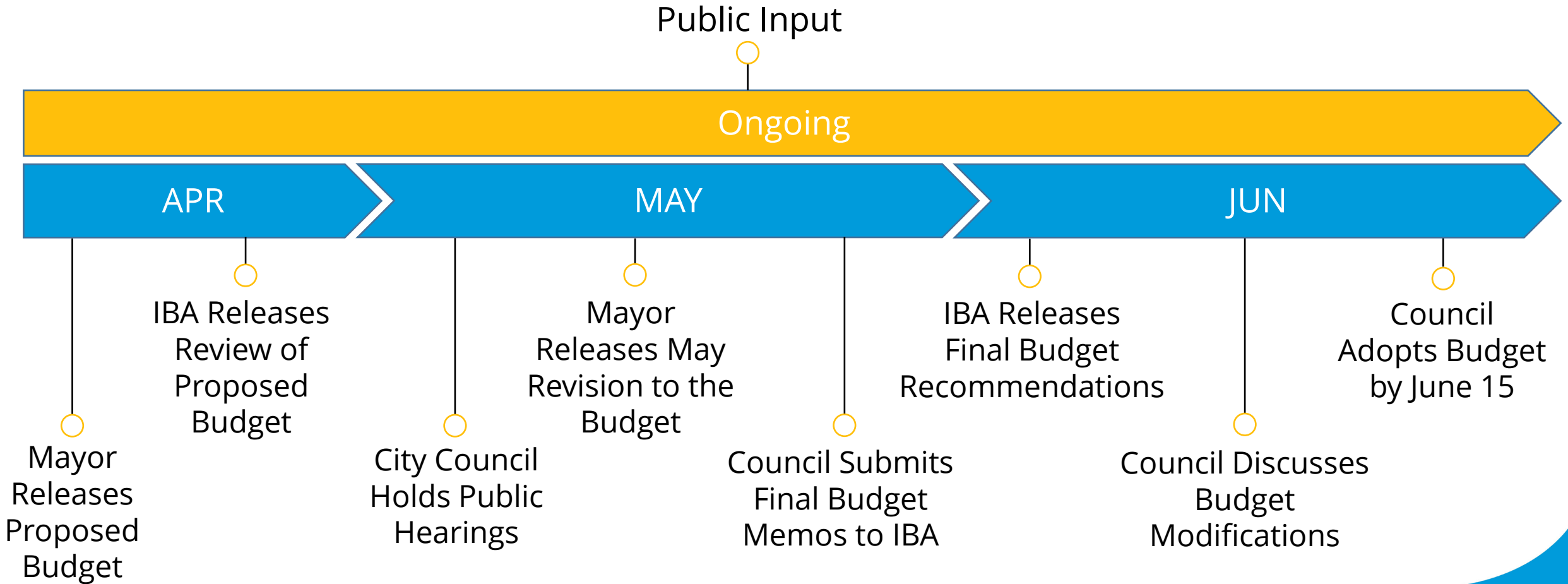


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# Budget Adoption Process

# How is the Budget Created?

## Budget Adoption Process



# Overview of the Proposed Budget

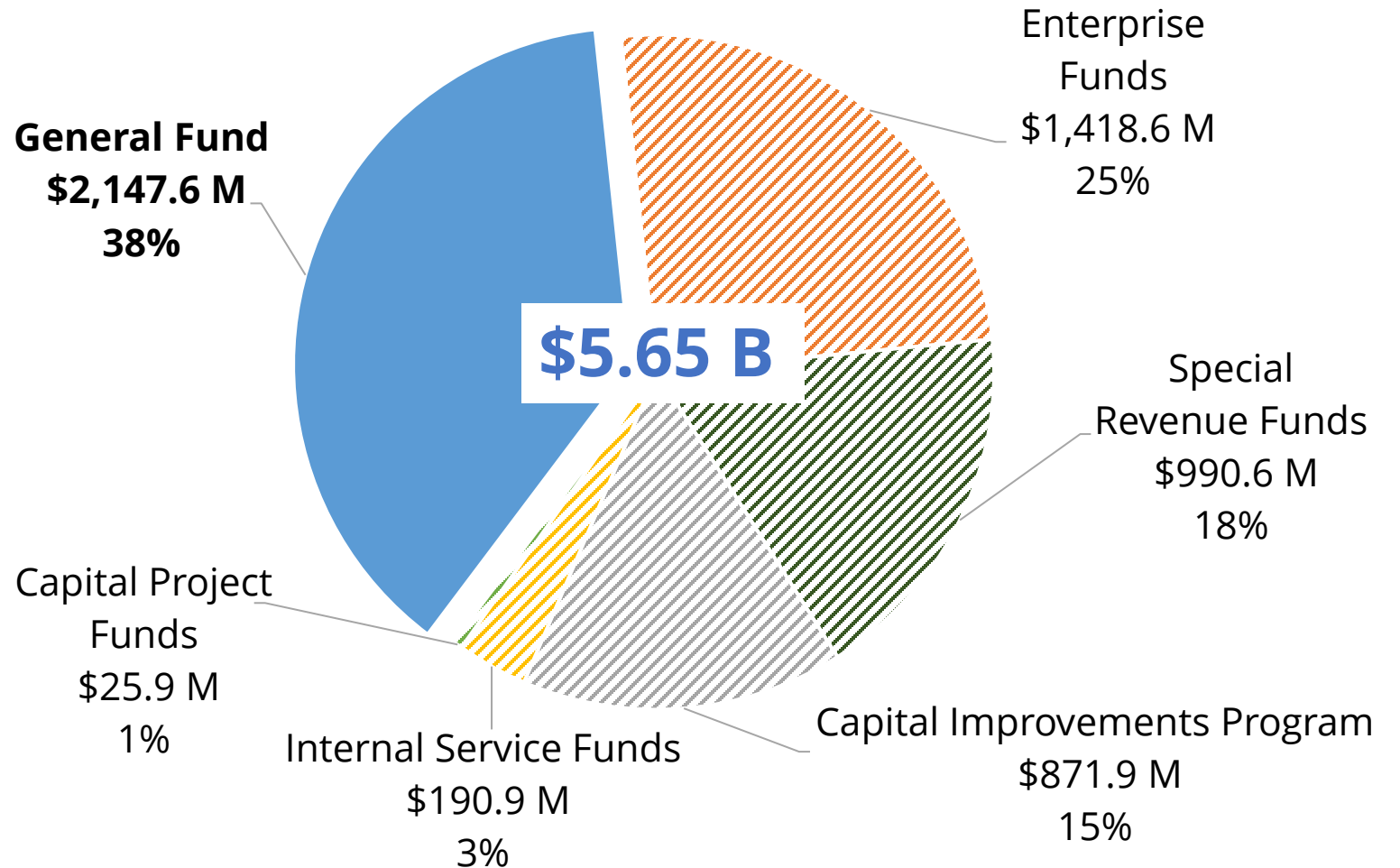
# Overview

## Key Findings

- Difficult budget year was anticipated
- Programmatic additions are limited and reductions are proposed
- Significant structural budget imbalance remains as ongoing expenses are being covered with one-time resources
- New revenue is needed or far deeper cuts will be needed for FY 2026

# FY 2025 Proposed Budget by Fund

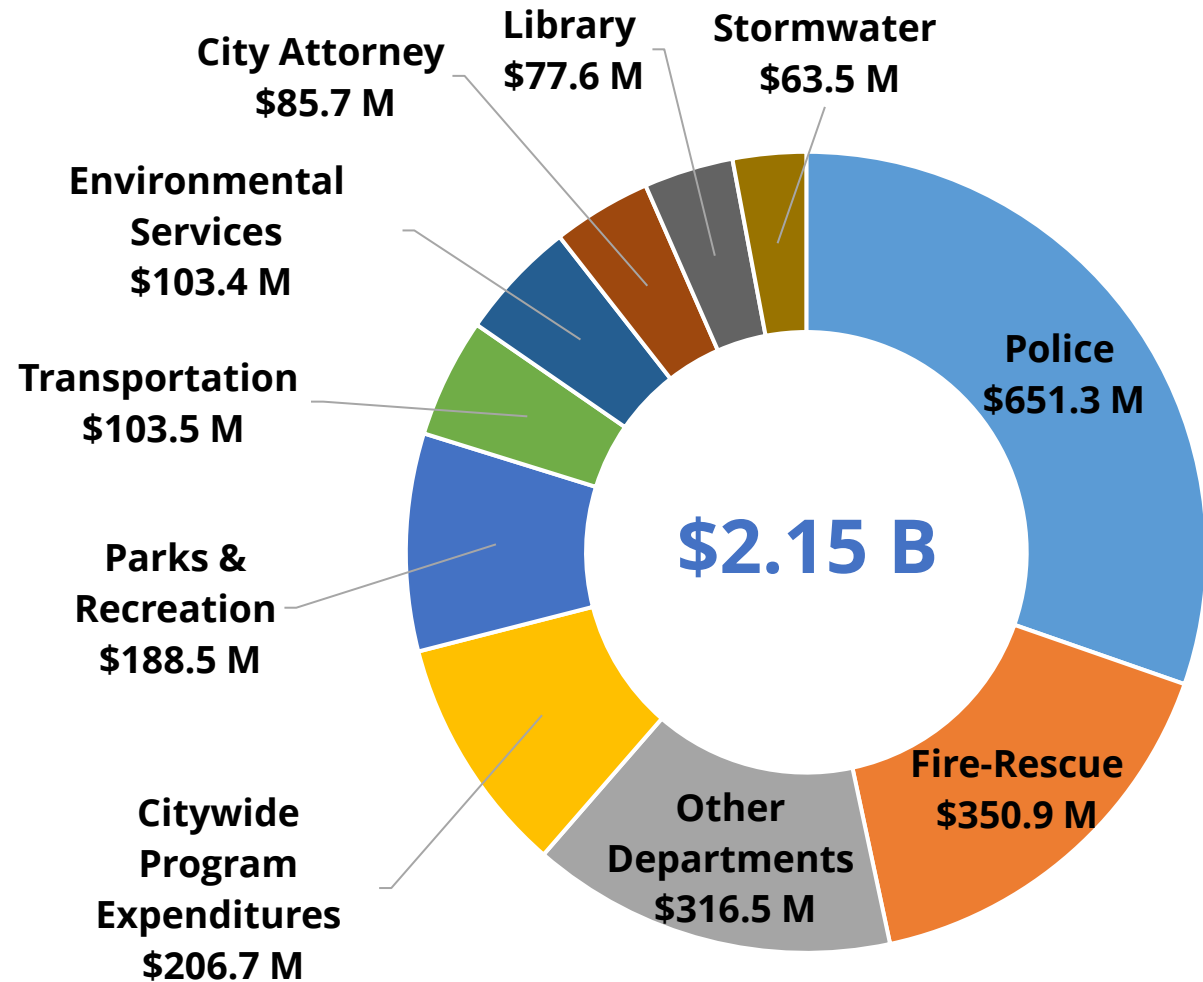
**General Fund  
has the most  
flexibility for use**





# The Mayor's Proposal to Spend Money

## General Fund Expenditures by Department



# A Closer Look at the Mayor's Proposed Budget

## Significant Budget Additions

### Operating

Homeless Shelters and Programs



\$29.4M

Parks and Recreation



\$5.1M

Fire-Rescue



\$4.9M

Transportation Department



\$4.4M

Employ and Empower  
(Various Departments)



\$5.3M

# A Closer Look at the Mayor's Proposed Budget

## Significant Budget Additions

### Capital Infrastructure

#### Streets

(Modifications and Pavement)



\$112.3M

#### Stormwater



\$88.4M

#### Transportation and Mobility Safety



\$25.6M

# A Closer Look at the Mayor's Proposed Budget

## Highlighted Budget Mitigations

- \$68.7M – Use of available fund balance
- \$36.5M – Reduction of Equity related programs
- \$21.4M – Waiving of General Fund Reserve contribution
- \$18.9M – Use of Infrastructure Funds for non-CIP
- \$4.5M – Request to Fill savings (delayed hiring)
- \$3.9M – Reduction of Police Academy size
- \$3.0M – Elimination of Eviction Prevention Program

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## Climate Action Plan (CAP)

- \$761.0M – new funding in Proposed Budget
  - 97% in the CIP budget, primarily for the Pure Water project
  - \$201.0M – direct CAP support
  - \$188.1M – funding gap (mostly in Stormwater)
- Climate funds not supported
  - \$8.5M Climate Equity Fund (waive contribution)
  - \$5.8M Energy Independence Fund (waive contribution and use of fund balance)

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## Homelessness and Housing Programs

- Significant additions for new activities include:
  - \$4.3M 200 new Safe Parking Spaces at H-Barracks
  - \$2.8M 1000 new shelter beds at Kettner/Vine
  - \$1.0M shelter contracts (compensation increases)
  - \$450,000 family shelter expansion
- Funding to continue existing activities include:
  - \$9.7M continued shelter operations (grant funding replacement)
  - \$4.0M Safe Sleeping Program (annualization)
  - \$2.8M Non-congregate shelter leases
  - \$3.7M public restrooms (annualization)

# Key Budget Issues

## Equity Issues

### \$24.0M additions

\$9.0M	Infrastructure for Communities of Concern
\$7.6M	New homelessness programs
\$5.3M	Employ and Empower Internships
\$1.8M	Tree Planting
\$167,000	Sidewalk repairs in Communities of Concern
\$167,000	Your Safe Place

### \$36.5M reductions

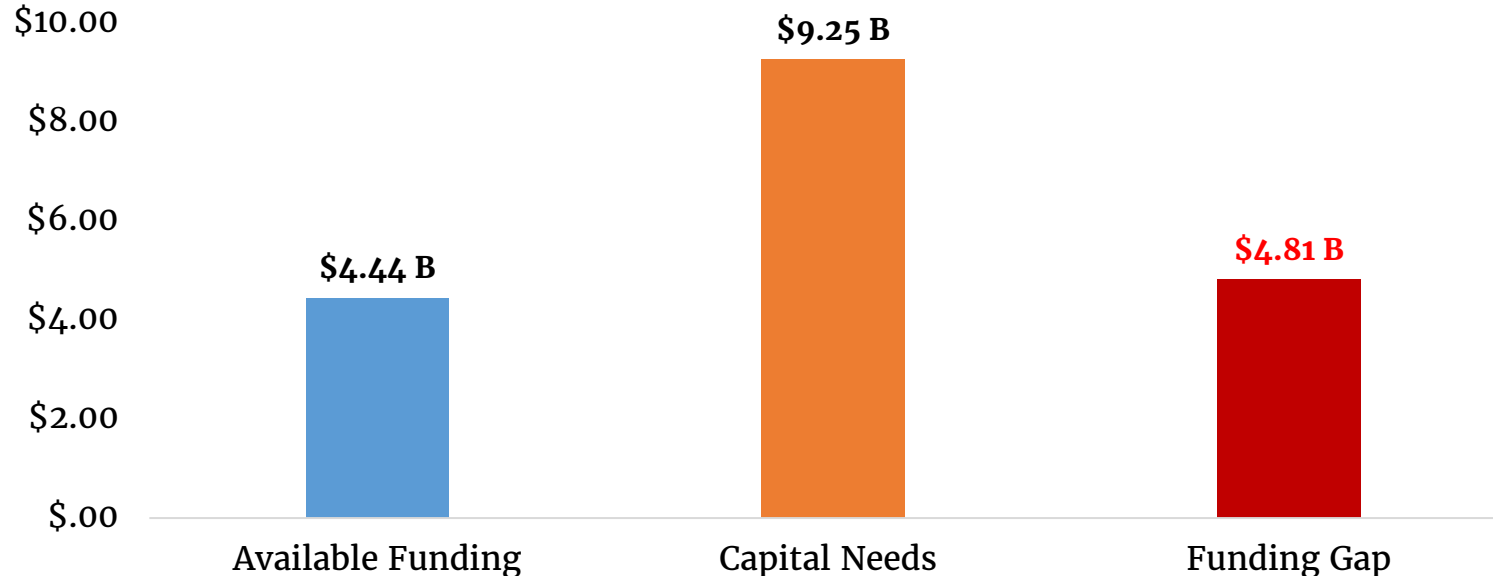
\$15.0M	Withheld from Housing Commission
\$8.5M	Climate Equity Fund waiver
\$5.8M	Bridge to Home waiver
\$3.1M	Elimination of the Community Equity Fund
\$3.1M	Elimination of programs (Cannabis Social Equity, No Shots Fired, Immigrant Affairs Office, FY 2024 Youth Drop-In, After School and Teen Center Programs)
\$960,000	Other reductions



# Key Budget Issues

The City's infrastructure needs far exceed funding available

**City's Five-Year Capital Infrastructure Needs, Available Funding, and Funding Gap**  
(*\$ in billions*)



# Key Budget Issues

## District 3 – Other Items of Interest

- Sewer and Water Pipe Projects (\$15.5M)
- Normal Street Promenade (\$6.4M)
- Air & Space Museum Roof Replacement (\$4.5M)
- Flood Resilience Infrastructure Project (\$2.6M)
- Street Resurfacing and Reconstruction (\$401,000)
- Children's Park Improvements (\$300,000)
- Olive St. Park (\$252,000)
- North Park Mini Park (\$157,000)

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# Next Steps

# Next Steps in the Process

## City Council's Role and Community Involvement

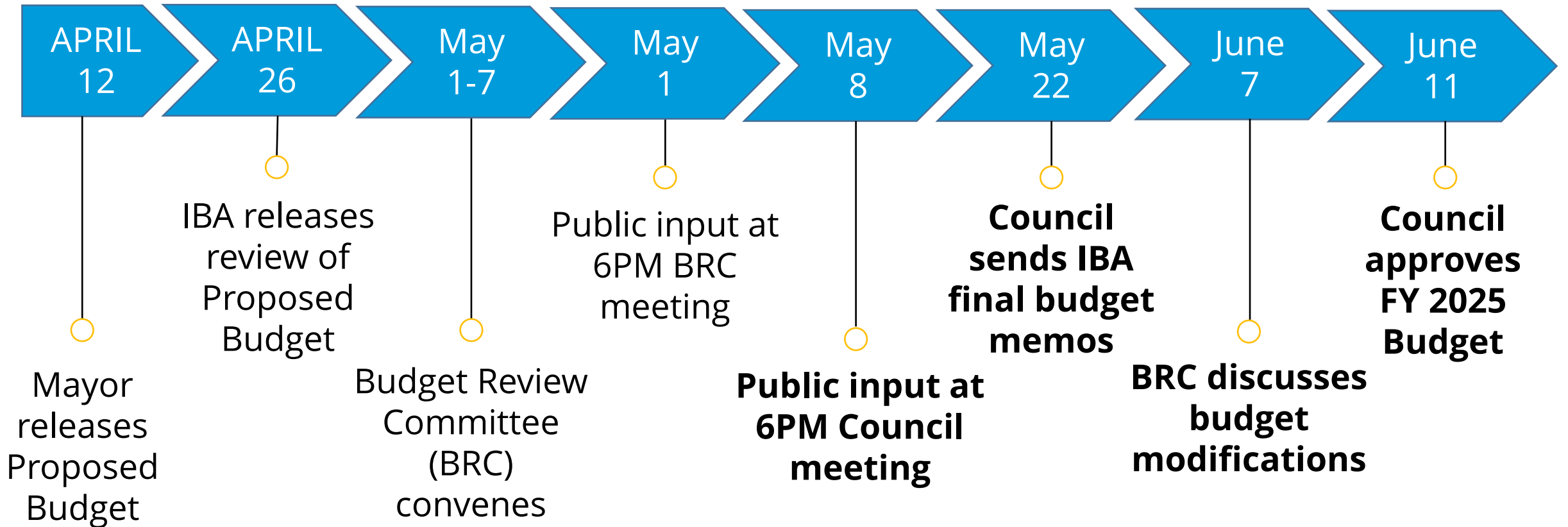
- The City Council adopts the budget
- **Public has an important role in budget process**
  - Email your Councilmember
  - Call your Councilmember
  - Provide Public Comments

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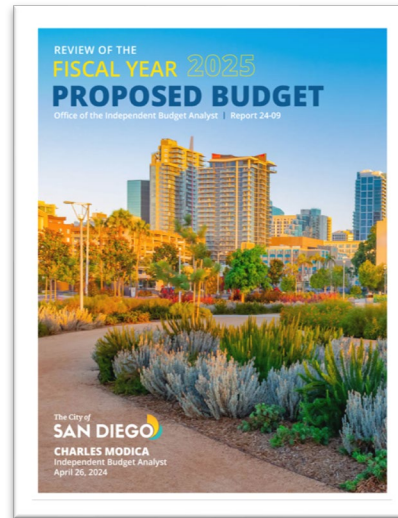
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## The Mayor's FY 2025 Proposed Budget



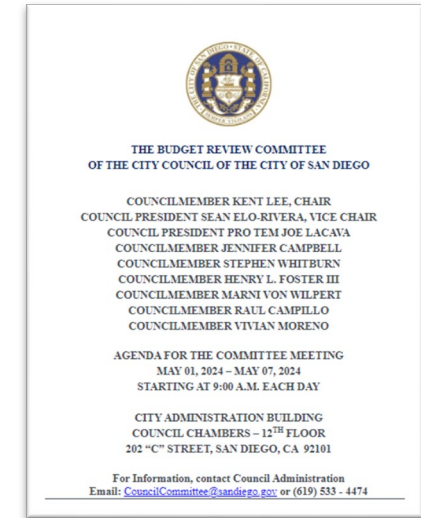
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## IBA's Review of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget



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## Budget Review Committee Schedule



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# Important Resources

## Office of the IBA

Website <https://www.sandiego.gov/iba>

- [IBA Reports](#)
- [Key Budget Dates](#)
- [Public's Guide to the Budget](#)
- [Public's Guide to Infrastructure](#)

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## Department of Finance

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### Adopted Budget



### Other Financial Reports

Financial Reports	
Five-Year Financial Outlook	▼
Budget Monitoring Reports	▼
Annual Comprehensive Financial Report	▼
Single Audit Reports	▼
State and Local Recovery Funds Performance Report	▼
Metropolitan Wastewater Utility Allocation of Billing Report	▼
Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters	▼
Annual Internal Controls Reports	▼
Charter 39 Financial Performance Reports	▼
City Employee Compensation Reports	▼
Discontinued Reports	▼
CFD (Mello Roos) Reports	▼