

Richmond California

- 111,785 Residents
- \$160 million annual operating budget
- 32 miles of shoreline
- 292.6 acres of parkland
- 34 miles of the SF bay trail
- 7 member City Council, including a directly elected Mayor – all elected at-large



Issues Pushing Richmond to do Long-Term Planning

- Two downgrades by rating agencies
 - Default on interest rate swaps
- Years of structurally unbalanced budgets
- Liquidity concerns
- Steep rise in PERs rates
- Increasing cost of public safety
- Political leadership



National Resource Network

- Federal grant to identify and provide technical assistance to tackle a critical City issues
- Public Financial Management provided technical assistance to develop five-year financial forecast which was identified as a key driver for the city's long-term success



Presenting the Five-Year Model

- Extend the financial planning horizon
- Focus on two key goals over the planning horizon:
 - Structurally balance budgets
 - Increase in liquidity
- Stress the importance of true financial modeling



Efforts to Balance Past Budgets

- Eliminated 177 positions (approximately 20% of workforce) since FY2008-09, largely by attrition;
- Implemented organizational restructuring in several departments
- Worked with bargaining units to discuss budget constraints and negotiate concessions, especially as they relate to OPEB
- Take aggressive steps to eliminate General Fund subsidies for revenue-based programs;
- Budget for "opportunity" cost savings during the fiscal year.

Purpose of Long-Term Modeling

Allows sensitivity analysis of financial changes resulting from a changing economic environment

Helps evaluate long-term impacts of current decisions and policy proposals (e.g. tax and spending proposals)

Allows analysis of specific service level issues (e.g., infrastructure investment)



Purpose of Long-Term Planning

Informs strategic policy decisions, such as establishment and maintenance of cash reserve levels and debt management

Introduces life-cycle and multi-year impacts into the budget decision-making process

Helps to provide operational stability in an organization



PERS Rates – Misc.

	Required Contribution	Projected Future Employer Contributions (Assumes 7.375% Return for Fiscal Year 2016-17)					
Fiscal Year	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Normal Cost %	12.511%	13.1%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%	14.2%
UAL Payment	7,664,256	9,414,000	10,595,000	12,120,000	13,457,000	14,364,000	15,139,000
Total as a % of Payroll*	31.7%	36.0%	39.2%	42.0%	44.2%	<i>45.3%</i>	46.0%
Projected Payroll	39,934,167	41,132,193	42,366,158	43,637,143	44,946,257	46,294,645	47,683,484



PERS Rates - Sworn

	Required Contribution	Projected Future Employer Contributions (Assumes 7.375% Return for Fiscal Year 2016-17)					
Fiscal Year	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Normal Cost %	20.484%	21.4%	23.2%	23.2%	23.2%	23.2%	23.2%
UAL Payment	10,213,652	12,836,000	14,737,000	16,989,000	18,920,000	20,194,000	21,285,000
Total as a % of Payroll*	46.4%	52.9%	58.4%	62.6%	65.8%	67.3%	68.4%
Projected Payroll	39,475,180	40,659,435	41,879,218	43,135,595	44,429,662	45,762,552	47,135,429



Budget Planning

- Budget kick-off meeting/training held in February
 - City Manager, Finance Director, and Budget Team present budget message and direction
 - Distribute budget calendar and guidelines, a written document of budget processes and procedures
 - Hands-on training for staff responsible for entering budget in MUNIS



Budget Calendar

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT / STAFF	ACTION / ACTIVITY	DATE					
Finance Department/ City Manager/City Council	FY2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Review	February 6, 2018					
Finance Department/ All Departments	FY2018-19 BUDGET KICK OFF MEETING Budget Message from City Manager and Finance Director; Budget Guidelines and Procedures distributed	February 12, 2018 9AM – 10:30AM					
Finance Department/ All Departments	FY2018-19 BUDGET INPUT TRAINING Workshop and training on the budget process, budget input and budget reports	February 12, 2018 10:45AM – 12PM					
All Departments	Signed personnel list and org charts due to Finance Department	February 16, 2018					
All Departments	FY2018-19 Budget Input Window	February 20, 2018- March 2, 2018					
Finance Department/City Manager/All Departments	Budget Hearings	March 16, 2018 March 26-30, 2018 April 2-3, 2018					
Finance Department/City Manager	Community Budget Meetings	April 2018					
Finance Department/ City Manager/City Council	Study Session with City Manager and City Council Transmit to Council proposed Operating Budget for FY2018-19 and FY2018-19 to 2022-23 Capital Improvement Plan	May 1, 2018					
Finance Department/ City Manager/City Council	Departmental Budget Presentations and Budget Checklist	May 15, 2018 May 22, 2018					
Finance Department/ City Manager/City Council	City Council review and direction on Budget Checklist and changes to proposed budget	June 5, 2018 June 19, 2018					
Finance Department/ City Manager/City Council	Council to adopt 2018-19 Operating Budget, FY2018-19 to FY2022-23 Capital Improvement Plan, and GANN Limit	June 26, 2018					
Finance Department	Adopted FY2018-19 budget available in MUNIS	June 29, 2018					

Capital Projects

- Funding is limited to existing funding sources, including state gas tax, grants, impact fees, and bond proceeds
- Unfunded projects are prioritized and funded when funding becomes available



Mid-Year Adjustments

Department	Fund	Funding Source Increase (Decrease)	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Net Impact			
General Fund Requests*							
City Attorney	0001		50,000	(50,000)			
City Clerk	0001	(17,000)		(17,000)			
City Manager	0001	10,972		10,972			
Community Services	0001	1,275	1,275	-			
Police	0001	(778,451)	(161,549)	(616,902)			
Fire	0001	105,440	126,934	(21,494)			
Capital Improvement	0001		165,000	(165,000)			
Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations	0001		35,000	35,000			
Non-Departmental	0001	1,367,966	596,862	771,105			
General Fund Total		690,202	813,522	(123,320)			
Non-General Fund Requests*							
Non-General Fund Total		3,851,703	3,774,612	77,091			



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