AN ORDINANCE 2014 - 08 - 07 - 0520

SETTING A PROPOSED AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015, ALSO BEING TAX YEAR 2014, AT 56.569 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION, WHICH INCLUDES 35.419 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND 21.150 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION FOR DEBT SERVICE; AND PROVIDING THAT SEPARATE ORDINANCES ADOPTING THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAX RATE AND THE DEBT SERVICE TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2014 WILL BE CONSIDERED AT THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2014, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

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WHEREAS, property tax values are determined by the Bexar Appraisal District ("BAD") in conformance with state law; and

WHEREAS, values for the City of San Antonio recently reported by BAD for the Tax Year beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014 ("Tax Year 2014"), show an increase in net taxable value of approximately \$4.571 billion, or 6.08 % above last year; and

WHEREAS, the property tax rate consists of two components, the Maintenance and Operations tax rate and the Debt Service tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Year 2014 Maintenance and Operations tax rate is 35.419 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation, and is the same as the Tax Year 2013 Maintenance and Operations tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Year 2014 Debt Service tax rate is 21.150 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation, and is the same as the Tax Year 2013 Debt Service tax rate, and is consistent with the requirements of the City's Debt Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the two values combined represent a proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2014 of 56.569 cents per \$100.00 of taxable valuation, which is the same as the Tax Year 2013 adopted property tax rate, and exceeds the Tax Year 2014 effective rate of 54.175 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code and Chapter 140 of the Local Government Code, the City Council will, by ordinance to be passed and approved on the same date as this Ordinance, set the dates, times, and locations for the two public hearings on the proposed tax rate that are required in order to adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback rate or the effective rate, which ordinance will also provide for publication, posting and broadcasting of all required public notices of each of the public hearings; and

WHEREAS, also in accordance with and pursuant to Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code, and applicable provisions of the City Charter, the City Council now wishes to provide that separate ordinances adopting the maintenance and operations tax rate and the debt service tax rate for Tax Year 2014 will be considered at the September 18, 2014, City Council meeting; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby sets a proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015, also being Tax Year 2014, of 56.569 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation, which is comprised of a maintenance and operations portion of 35.419 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation and a debt service portion of 21.150 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation. The proposed tax rate set out above is the tax rate recommended in the City Manager's proposed budget for Tax Year 2014. The proposed tax rate of 56.569 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation exceeds the effective rate for Tax Year 2014.

SECTION 2. The dates, times and locations of the two public hearings on the proposed tax rate that are required by Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code, to adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback rate or the effective rate, will be established by Ordinance to be passed and approved on the same date as this Ordinance, which Ordinance will also provide for publication, posting and broadcasting of all required public notices of each of the public hearings.

SECTION 3. Separate ordinances adopting the maintenance and operations tax rate and the debt service tax rate for Tax Year 2014 will be considered at the September 18, 2014, City Council meeting.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

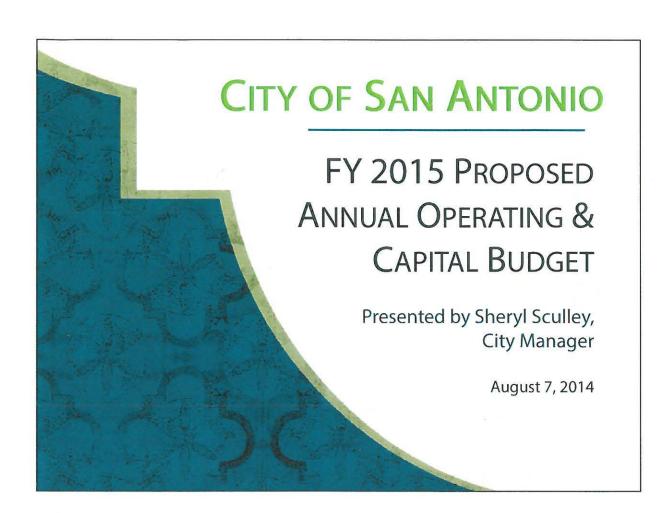
PASSED and APPROVED this 7th day of August, 2014.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ivy R. Taylor

Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	5A (in consent vote: 5A, 5B)						
Date:	08/07/2014						
Time:	11:29:49 AM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	An Ordinance setting the proposed tax rate for the Tax Year 2014.						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy Taylor	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1	X					
	District 2	х					
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		х				х
Rey Saldaña	District 4		х				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		х				
	District 7	х					
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		х			х	
Joe Krier	District 9		х				
Michael Gallagher	District 10		х				





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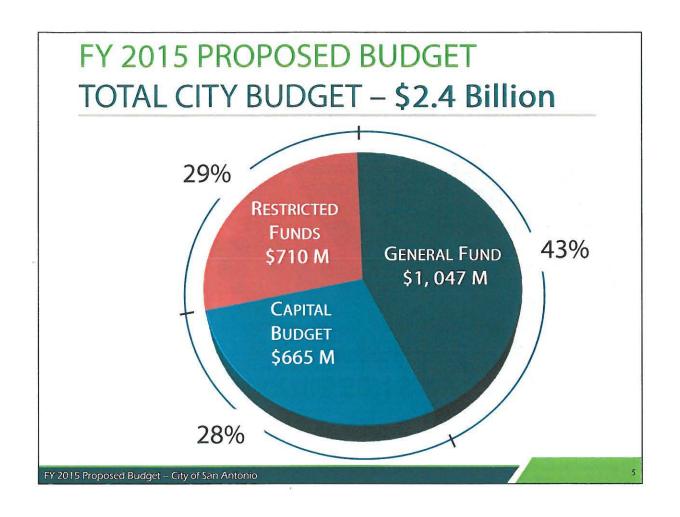
- Adds \$15 M for street maintenance, plus nearly \$7 M for drainage
- Invests in parks, libraries, adult literacy, and City comprehensive planning
- Maintains service levels for animal care, code enforcement, and economic development

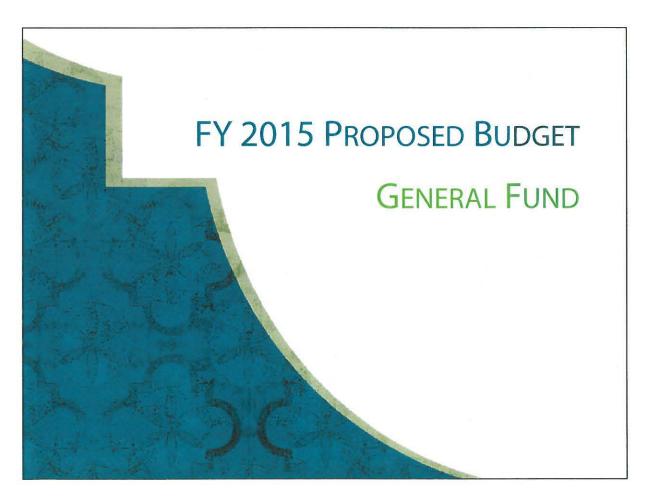
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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET ADDRESSING COUNCIL PRIORITIES

- Maintains **public safety** at 66% of the General Fund Budget
- Implements strong financial policies approved by City Council
- 6 Aligns City spending with SA2020 priorities

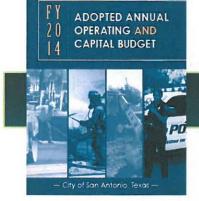


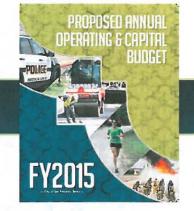


FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET GENERAL FUND

FY 2014

FY 2015





5.9% INCREASE

\$988 MILLION

\$1.05 BILLION

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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET CLOSING THE GAP

May 2014



June & July 2014 Today Aug 2014

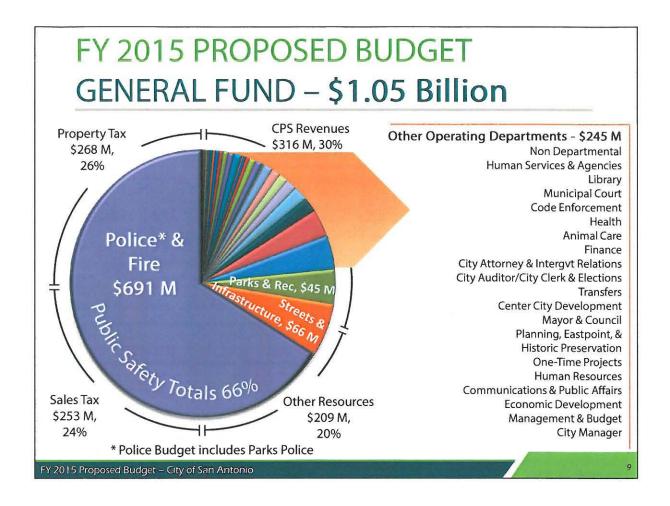
\$27 M

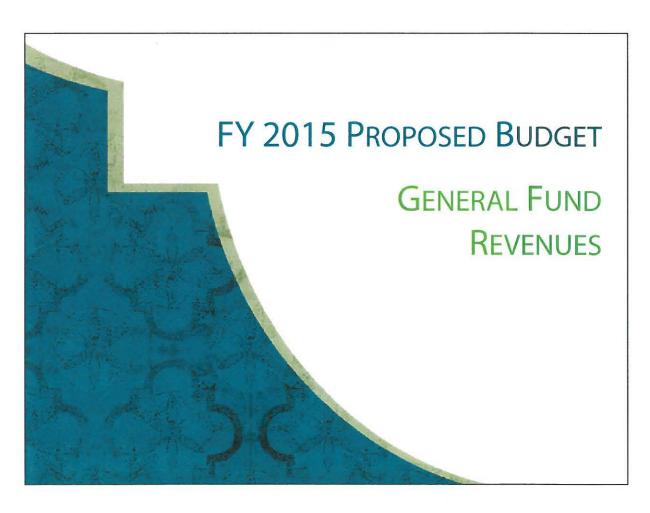
Shortfall forecasted for FY 2015 Gap closed by balancing crowd-out, realizing efficiencies and additional revenue, and aligning uniform healthcare closer to other Texas cities

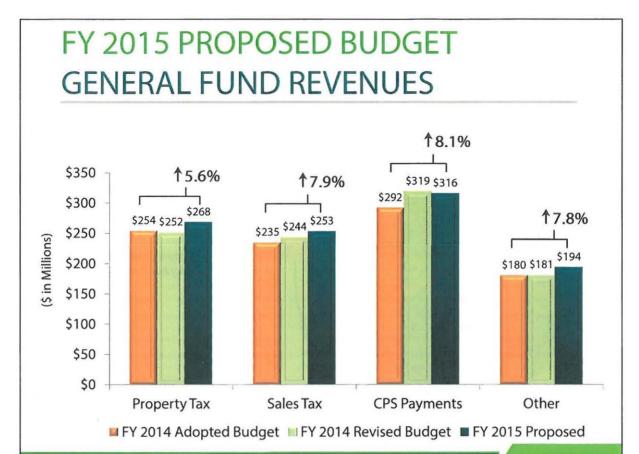
Budget is balanced

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\$32 M reserve to help cover FY 2016 costs







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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET PROPERTY TAX BILL

For each dollar of your tax bill...





City of San Antonio

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K-12 Public School District, Bexar County & Hospital System, Other

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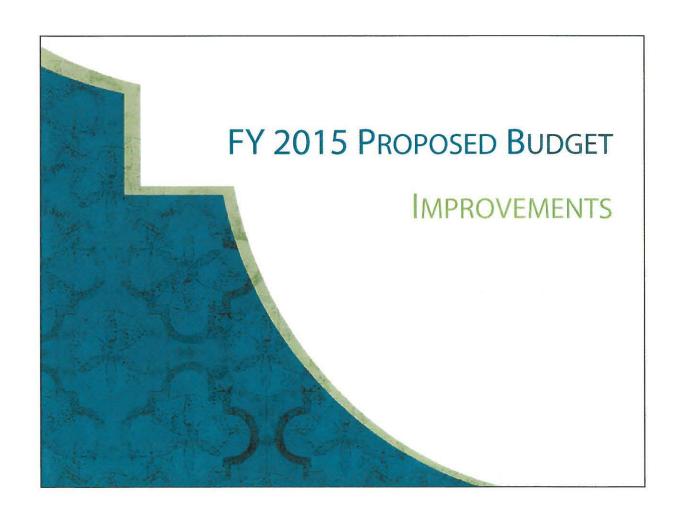
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

\$34 Million

93,500 seniors & disabled homestead exemptions & frozen city tax payments

31,000 senior and disabled homeowners pay **\$0** City Property Taxes

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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET STREETS AND DRAINAGE

Additional \$15 Million for street maintenance



Increases the Infrastructure Management Program (IMP)



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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET STREETS AND DRAINAGE

Additional \$7 Million for drainage improvements



13 projects across the City



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET PARKS & RECREATION

\$561,000 for maintenance of new parks and greenways



120 acres & 13 miles of trails added in FY 2015



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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET PARKS & RECREATION

\$415,000 to maintain new improvements at HemisFair Park's Play Escape, also known as Yanaguana Garden

Water fountains, splash pad, playground, planting areas – scheduled for April 2015



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET LIBRARY SERVICES

\$300,000 to operate a new library opening September 2015 in District 9



10,000 square foot facility open 56 hours per week



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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET LIBRARY SERVICES

\$343,000 for adult literacy program and \$500,000 for technology improvements



Basic education,
ESL, digital
literacy and
financial
counseling



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET CODE ENFORCEMENT

Funds added to replace mainframe case management system with a web-based portal to track violations



More efficient in closing cases and more transparency to the public



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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET ANIMAL CARE

\$313,000 to maintain 80% Live Release Rate



FY 2007 Live Release Rate: 20%



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET SENIOR CENTERS

\$545,000 included to support operations at new District 5 and District 10 Senior Centers



Centers scheduled to open in May 2015 (D5) and September 2015 (D10)



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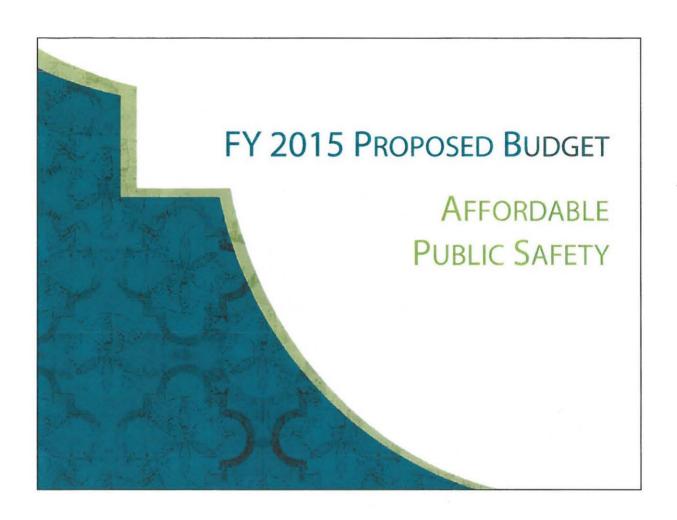
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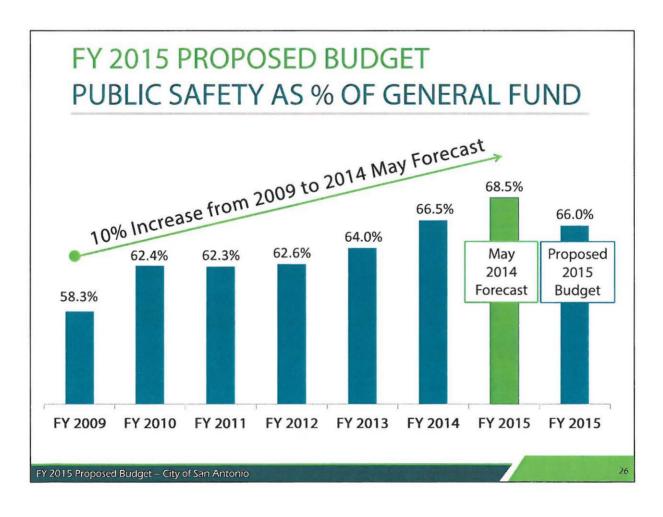
FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

\$5.25 Million in Economic Development Incentives

- \$1.75 Million for city-wide
- \$2.0 Million for inner city
- \$1.5 Million for Inner City Reinvestment & Infill Policy (ICRIP) waivers

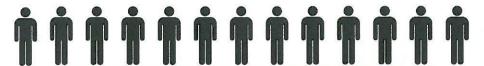






FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET HEALTHCARE TASK FORCE

13-MEMBER TASK FORCE



Recommendations



Align uniform healthcare benefits with civilians and other peer cities



Uniform employees should begin contributing a monthly premium

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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET UNIFORM HEALTHCARE PROPOSAL

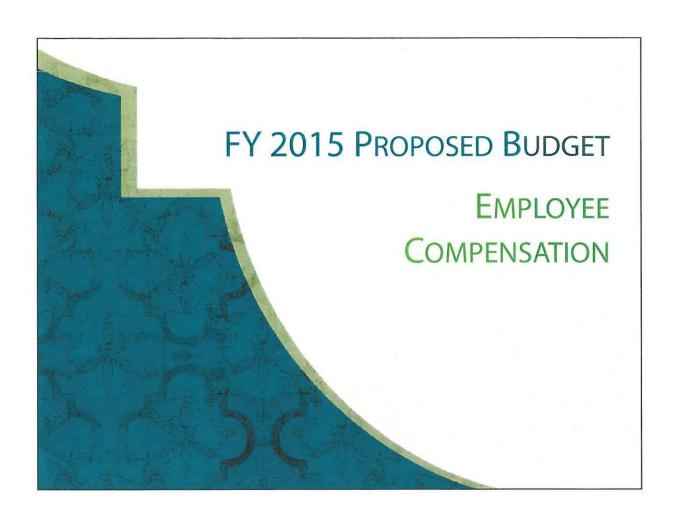


\$7,080 per Civilian

per Uniform (proposed alternative July 2014)

2013 HEALTHCARE COSTS

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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

Civilian Step Plan

1% COLA plus 2% to 4% step increase based on tenure Uniform Step Plan

2% to 3% wage increase and/or 3% tenure-based longevity pay for eligible uniforms

Civilian Non-Step Employees

1% COLA
plus
1% to 3%
performance
pay



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET STORM WATER & SOLID WASTE



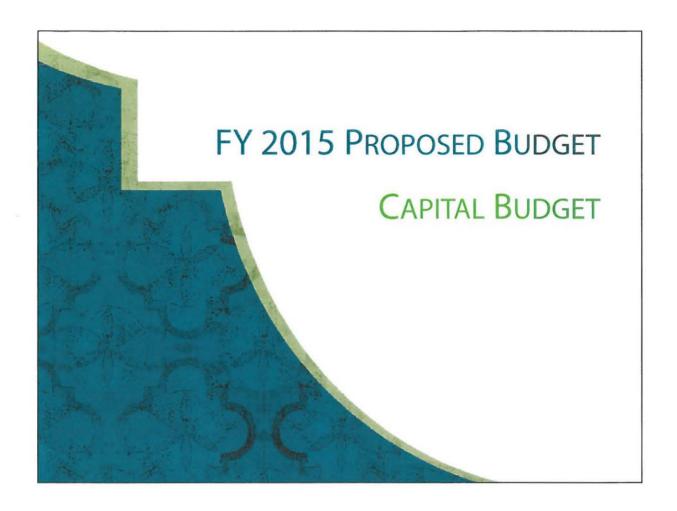
No Storm Water fee rate increase

Fee has not been increased since 2008



\$1.00 fee increase in Solid Waste

Supports recycling program and equipment costs



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET CAPITAL BUDGET

NEW FUNDING ADDED

- East Point CHOICE Neighborhoods
- Pedestrian Lighting in Inner City Neighborhoods
- Additional funding for Fire Stations 2 and 32
- De Zavala Design UPRR to Lockhill Selma
- Witte Museum
- Harry Wurzbach at Austin Highway
- Deferred Maintenance of City Facilities



FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET COMMUNICATING THE BUDGET

City Council Work Sessions

Aug 12 – Sep 17

Community Budget Meetings

Aug 11 – Aug 14

Delegate Agency Public Hearings

Aug 19 & Aug 26

Tax Rate Public Hearings

Aug 20 & Sep 10

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FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET BUDGET ADOPTION

Thursday, September 18



