CITIZENS' BUDGET ADVISORY COUNCIL FY 2024-25 ANNUAL WORK PLAN REPORT

June 9, 2025

WORK PLAN FOCUS AREAS:



OPERATING BUDGET PROCESS REVIEW FY 25-26 PROPERTY TAX REVALUATION IMPLICATIONS FY 25-26 PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW

RECOMMENDATIONS:

CITY REVENUE RECOMMENDATIONS

Conduct a detailed review of all current city user fees and recommend fee schedule increase based on benchmarking and cost recovery goals.

Review additional opportunities for user fees.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

CITY EXPENDITURE RECOMMENDATIONS

Create public and managementspecific dashboards for expenditure review.

Review the potential for stated [controllable] expenditure growth policies/practices.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

CITY DEBT RECOMMENDATIONS

Eliminate the internal leasing program and move to cash financing.

Evaluate the cost-effectiveness of leasing specific vehicle types from external vendors compared to purchasing and maintaining them in-house.

Eliminate the use of general obligation bonds for short-term capital projects and switch to cash financing.

Conduct a facility needs assessments and determine space planning needs.

OTHER BUDGET RELATED RECOMMENDATIONS

Provide resources for residents regarding property tax bill affordability and opportunities for exemptions, exclusions, and deferments.

As part of the CBAC work-plan for FY 2025-26, review enterprise fund subsidies (e.g., public assembly facility and transit funds) to review revenue generation methods and mitigate future increases in property tax subsidies.

QUESTIONS