



**CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP
ZEPHYRHILLS, FLORIDA**

**Monday, July 13, 2026
4:30 PM**

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**Zephyrhills
City Hall**

**Council
Chambers**

Call to Order — Council President Steven F. Spina, Ph.D.

Roll Call — City Clerk Ricardo Quiñones

1. BUDGET WORKSHOP ITEMS

- 1.1 FY 26/27 Draft Budget Presentation
 - 1. Zephyrhills Presentation 7.13.2026
 - 2. Capital Listing 7.13.2026

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BUDGET WORKSHOP ITEMS 1.1

FY 26/27 Draft Budget Presentation

Issue:

Background:

Attachment(s):

1. Zephyrhills Presentation 7.13.2026
2. Capital Listing 7.13.2026

Fiscal Impact:

Staff Recommendation:



FY 2026-2027

BUDGET WORKSHOP

JULY 13, 2026

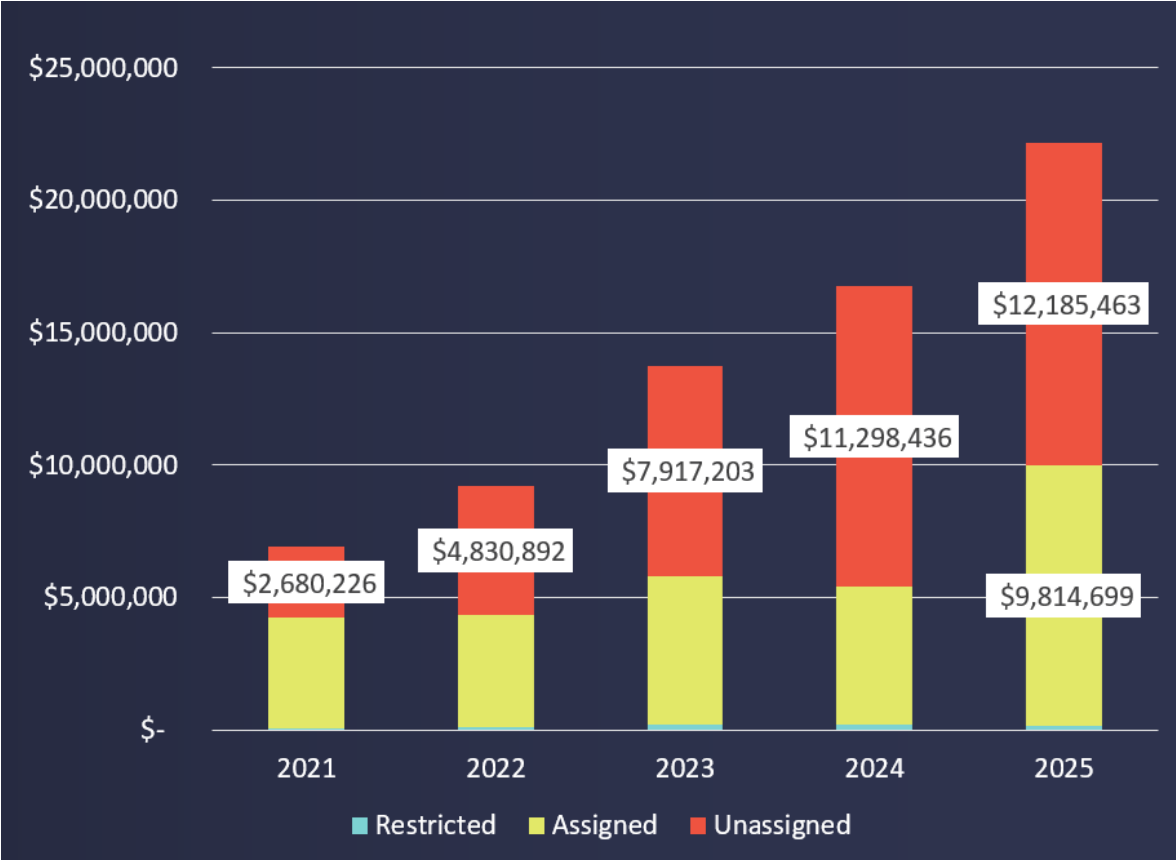
AD VALOREM

\$1,836,933,926 aggregate
assessed property value
(budget 95%)

Proposed Millage Rate 6.25

\$10,906,795 ad valorem
revenue

General Fund – Fund Balance



FY 2025 Assigned:

Recreation Reserve
\$4,814,699
City Yard Complex
\$5,000,000

AMENDMENT 3 – NOVEMBER 3, 2026

- **Increased Exemptions** – The non-school, homestead exemption would rise to \$150,000 in 2027 and \$250,000 in 2028, with future adjustments for inflation.
- **New Residents:** Homeowners establishing residency after 2026 face a five-year waiting period for the full exemption.
- **Broader Reforms:** The measure also caps non-homestead assessment increases at 5% (down from 10%).

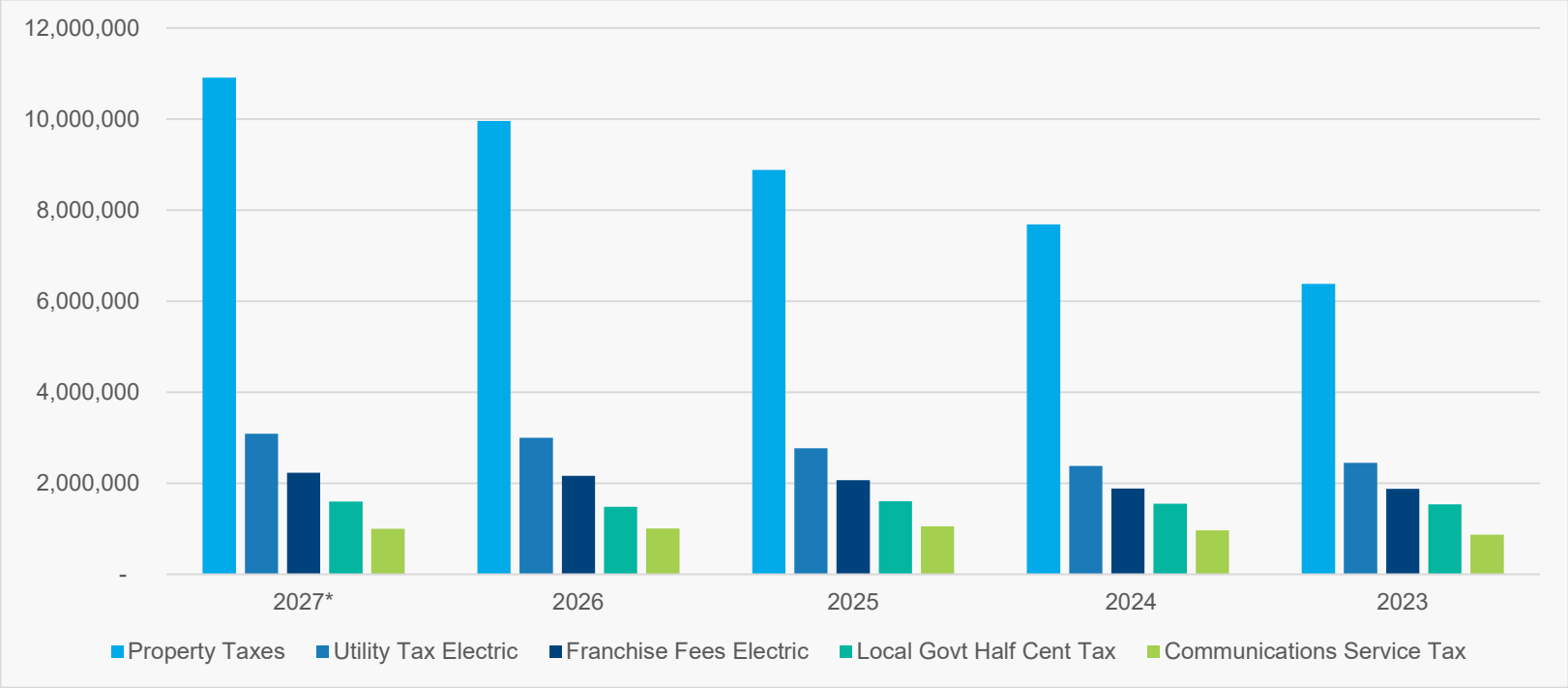
RELIANCE ON PROPERTY TAXES

	General Fund		General Fund		
Fiscal	Property Tax	Operating	Property Tax	CRA	CRA
Year	Revenue	Revenue**	% of GF	City	County
2027*	10,023,787	23,227,485	43%	845,811	1,074,811
2026	9,960,356	22,322,136	45%	779,271	920,668
2025	8,880,756	21,956,454	40%	607,968	729,817
2024	7,685,085	19,235,991	40%	446,425	552,715
2023	6,383,017	19,118,972	33%	328,685	405,313

* TBD

** Does Not Include Debt Financing

MAJOR GENERAL FUND REVENUES – 5 YEARS



ESTIMATED DECREASE IN TAXABLE VALUE

\$150,000 EXEMPTION

Real Estate		150,000 K Exemption	
Assessed Value	2,102,872,735	2,102,872,735	
Exempt Value	456,815,583	822,447,004	365,631,421
Taxable Value	1,646,057,152	1,280,425,731	
Millage	6.25	6.25	
Levy on Real Estate	10,287,857	8,002,661	(2,285,196)

ENCOURAGING AD VALOREM DEVELOPMENTS

	Estimated		
	Assessed	Partial	
	Value	Abatement	Taxable
Bauducco Foods	200,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000
Wonka	100,000,000	50,000,000	50,000,000
MiTek	80,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000
			190,000,000

RATES AND REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS

- **Sanitation Rates**

- Likely rate increase from \$15.03 to \$17.28 for year 1.
- August 10th and 24th Council Meetings.

- **Water & Sewer Rates**

- Increases 3% and ending RV Park subsidy.
- August 10th and 24th Council Meetings.

- **Creation of Stormwater Assessment**

- Rate will be set July 13th.
- September 14th Public Hearing.

MILLAGE RATE

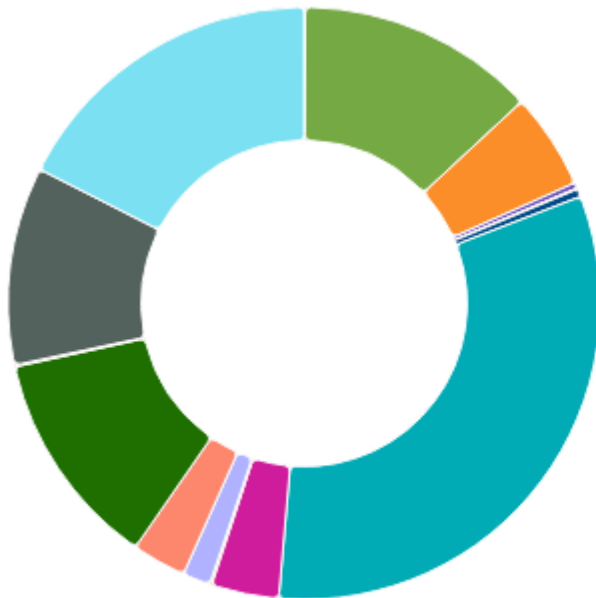
	Millage Rate	Fiscal Year	Levy	95% Budget	Increase \$	Increase %
Last Year	6.25	2026	\$11,149,201	\$10,291,741		
Rolled Back Rate	6.2375	2027	\$11,457,875	\$10,884,982	\$1,537,400	0.00%
	6.15	2027	\$11,297,144	\$10,732,286	\$1,384,705	-1.40%
Proposed Rate	6.25	2027	\$11,480,837	\$10,906,795	\$1,559,213	0.20%
	6.35	2027	\$11,664,530	\$11,081,304	\$1,733,722	1.80%
	7.00	2027	\$12,858,339	\$12,215,611	\$2,868,029	12.22%

REVENUES

	2026 Budget	2027 Proposed Budget
Property Taxes	\$10,591,741	\$10,906,795
Penny 4 Pasco	\$4,202,477	* \$4,140,424
Municipal Rev Share & Fuel Tax	\$928,400	* \$930,000
Local Govt Half Cent Tax	\$1,546,803	* \$1,600,000
Gas Tax	\$655,909	* \$798,959
Communications Service Tax	\$1,050,740	* \$1,000,000

*** = Waiting on Economic & Demographic Research to post projection.**

FY 2027 CAPITAL LISTING

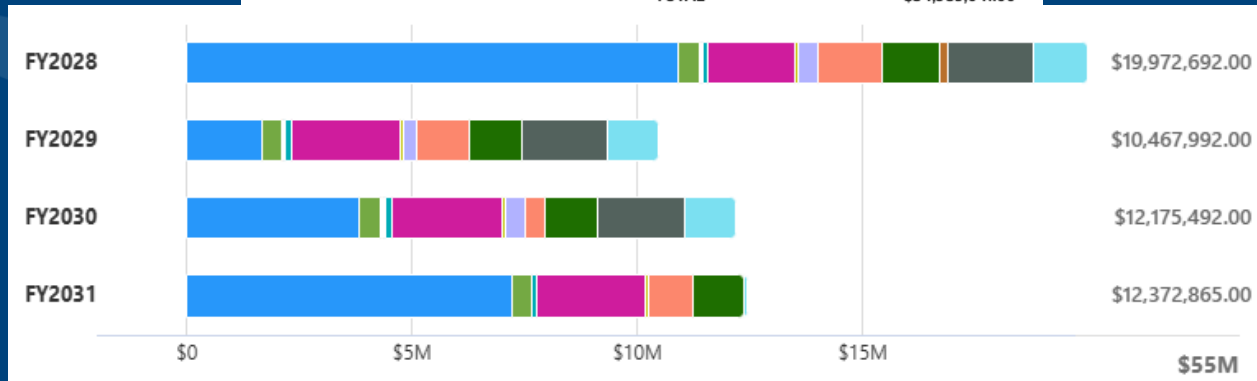
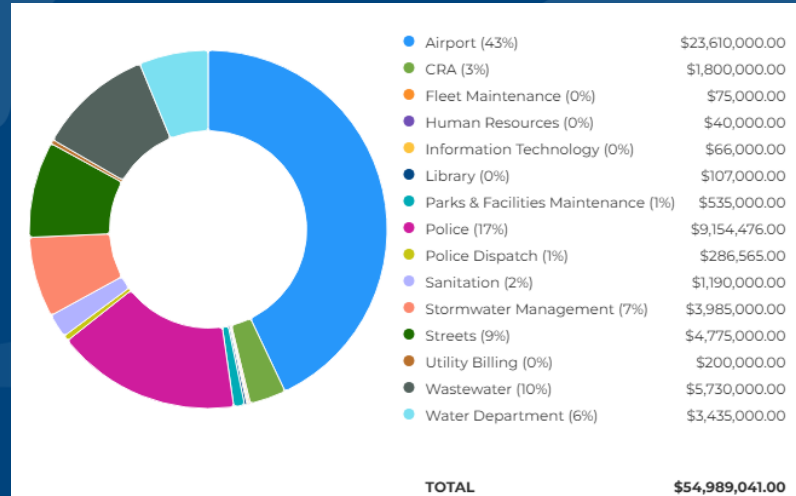


Administration (0%)	\$30,000.00
Airport (13%)	\$7,100,000.00
CRA (5%)	\$2,850,000.00
Fleet Maintenance (0%)	\$160,000.00
Information Technology (0%)	\$37,020.00
Library (0%)	\$233,000.00
Parks & Facilities Maintenance (32%)	\$17,549,000.00
Police (4%)	\$2,007,392.00
Police Dispatch (0%)	\$63,300.00
Sanitation (2%)	\$820,000.00
Stormwater Management (3%)	\$1,610,000.00
Streets (12%)	\$6,490,000.00
Utility Billing (0%)	\$50,000.00
Wastewater (11%)	\$5,885,000.00
Water Department (18%)	\$9,535,000.00

TOTAL

\$54,419,712.00

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fiscal Year	City Cost
2018	\$2,930,274
2019	\$3,000,949
2020	\$2,842,281
2021	\$2,290,391
2022	\$1,146,703
2023	\$739,747
2024	\$568,564
2025	\$384,342
2026	\$176,032
2027	\$226,457

PERSONNEL REQUESTS

Parks Maintenance Worker I

Building Maintenance Specialist I

Sanitation Worker I

MEETING SCHEDULE

August 1st Draft Budget to
City Council



August 10th & August 24th
Sanitation and Water &
Sewer Rates



September 14th First
Reading Millage, Budget &
Stormwater Assessment



September 28th Second
Reading Millage, Budget &
Stormwater Assessment

QUESTIONS

Department	Request Title	Budgeted - FY2027	Budgeted - FY2028	Budgeted - FY2029	Budgeted - FY2030	Budgeted - FY2031	Total Budgeted
Administration	City Hall Improvements	30,000.00					30,000.00
Total Administration		30,000.00	-	-	-	-	30,000.00
Airport	Taxiway C and D					3,700,000.00	3,700,000.00
	Runway 05/23 crack sealing			400,000.00			400,000.00
	Emergency service connection road to Chancey				250,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,750,000.00
	Airfield markings			50,000.00			50,000.00
	Airport Master Plan update		500,000.00				500,000.00
	6th avenue realignment	550,000.00	4,950,000.00				5,500,000.00
	Design and construct two-10 unit t-hangars		3,700,000.00				3,700,000.00
	Realignment of South avenue phase I				1,650,000.00		1,650,000.00
	Storm Water Master Plan			150,000.00	850,000.00		1,000,000.00
	T-hangar Rehabilitation		700,000.00				700,000.00
	Fuel Inventory for Resale	1,050,000.00	1,060,000.00	1,070,000.00	1,080,000.00		4,260,000.00
	FBO Terminal Construction	5,500,000.00					5,500,000.00
Total Airport		7,100,000.00	10,910,000.00	1,670,000.00	3,830,000.00	7,200,000.00	30,710,000.00
CRA	Jeffries House Updates	200,000.00					200,000.00
	CRA District Land Acquisition	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	1,500,000.00
	Sidewalk Plans for CRA District	225,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	825,000.00
	Sixth Avenue Alley Improvements	125,000.00					125,000.00
	5th Avenue Streetscape Design and Tree Replacement	100,000.00					100,000.00
	Renovation of Clock Plaza	1,900,000.00					1,900,000.00
Total CRA		2,850,000.00	450,000.00	450,000.00	450,000.00	450,000.00	4,650,000.00
Fleet Maintenance	Fleet Building Improvements	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00		100,000.00
	Fleet Forklift FY27	135,000.00					135,000.00
Total Fleet Maintenance		160,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	-	235,000.00
Human Resources	Salary Study				40,000.00		40,000.00
Total Human Resources		-	-	-	40,000.00	-	40,000.00
Information Technology	Additional Camera at PD	9,020.00					9,020.00
	Replace DVR at City Hall	10,000.00					10,000.00
	PD Server Replacement	18,000.00				18,000.00	36,000.00
	City Hall Server Replacement				18,000.00		18,000.00
	Backup Battery Replacement - PD				15,000.00		15,000.00
	Backup Battery Replacement - City Hall		15,000.00				15,000.00
Total Information Technology		37,020.00	15,000.00	-	33,000.00	18,000.00	103,020.00
Library	Purchase New Library Books and Materials	33,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	37,000.00		140,000.00
	New Flooring	50,000.00					50,000.00
	Replace A/C-Heating Units (x3)	150,000.00					150,000.00
Total Library		233,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	37,000.00	-	340,000.00
Parks & Facilities Maintenance	Parks & Facilities Building Improvements	10,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00		85,000.00
	Zephyr Park.	13,350,000.00					13,350,000.00
	Zephyr Park	2,650,000.00					2,650,000.00
	Park Improvements	250,000.00					250,000.00
	Krusen Field Pavillian	80,000.00					80,000.00
	Shephard's Park Building Improvements	75,000.00					75,000.00
	Landscaping	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	75,000.00
	Historic Building Renovations	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	500,000.00

	Hercules Park Camera Upgrades FY27	10,000.00					10,000.00
	Krusen Playground Equipment FY27	600,000.00					600,000.00
	Krusen Football Building Addition FY27	180,000.00					180,000.00
	Krusen Field #4 Dugouts Replacement FY27	60,000.00					60,000.00
	Parks Walk-Behind Mower FY27	10,000.00					10,000.00
	Parks Lawn Equipment Trailer FY27	5,000.00					5,000.00
	Parks Mid-Size Pick-Up Truck FY27	42,000.00					42,000.00
	Parks 2500 Truck #2 of 2 FY27	56,000.00					56,000.00
	Parks 2500 Truck #1 of 2 FY27	56,000.00					56,000.00
Total Parks & Facilities Maintenance		17,549,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	115,000.00	18,084,000.00
Police	HigherGround Capture Radio Voice Logging System via Replay Systems		23,000.00				23,000.00
	Laptops (10)	39,000.00	39,000.00	39,000.00	39,000.00	39,000.00	195,000.00
	ZPD Vehicles FY27 (10 Units)	610,000.00					610,000.00
	Training Facility	500,000.00	1,500,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	8,000,000.00
	AXON Fleet3 FY24 (28 Units)	44,132.00	44,132.00	44,132.00	44,132.00		176,528.00
	AXON Fleet3 FY26 (4 Units)	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	55,000.00
	AXON Fleet3 FY25 (7 Units)	14,160.00	14,160.00	14,160.00	14,160.00		56,640.00
	ZPD Vehicle Radio Equipment (9)	45,000.00					45,000.00
	Water Recovery Vehicle	75,000.00					75,000.00
	UTV Side-by-Side	35,000.00					35,000.00
	Surveillance & Intercom Communication System	30,000.00					30,000.00
	Property & Evidence Shelving for Firearms Storage	15,000.00					15,000.00
	Landscape Upgrades	5,200.00					5,200.00
	Keypad Access Upgrade	10,000.00					10,000.00
	K-9 Police Dog	12,000.00					12,000.00
	Interior/Exterior Lighting	70,000.00					70,000.00
	Furniture & Fixtures	40,000.00					40,000.00
	Faraday Storage Solution	6,000.00					6,000.00
	Exterior Storage Shed	8,000.00					8,000.00
	Conceptual Design Work	10,000.00					10,000.00
	CIS Laser Mapping System	150,000.00					150,000.00
	AXON OSP7+ FY24 (54 Plans)	220,000.00	235,000.00	250,000.00	265,000.00	275,000.00	1,245,000.00
	AXON Fleet3 FY27 (9 Units)	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	100,000.00
	AXON Drone Skydio X10	37,900.00	37,900.00	37,900.00	37,900.00	37,900.00	189,500.00
Total Police		2,007,392.00	1,924,192.00	2,416,192.00	2,431,192.00	2,382,900.00	11,161,868.00
Police Dispatch	Dispatch Consolidation - Central Square	63,300.00	66,500.00	69,800.00	73,300.00	76,965.00	349,865.00
Total Police Dispatch		63,300.00	66,500.00	69,800.00	73,300.00	76,965.00	349,865.00
Sanitation	Solid Waste Collection Vehicle, Commercial Front Loader				400,000.00		400,000.00
	Solid Waste Dumpster Toter			225,000.00			225,000.00
	Solid Waste Collection Vehicle, Front Loader		400,000.00				400,000.00
	Sanitation Building Improvements	10,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00		85,000.00
	Roll Off Dumpsters	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00		120,000.00
	Side Loader Refuse Truck FY27	300,000.00					300,000.00
	GPS Route Optimization Software - Sanitation Fleet	30,000.00					30,000.00
	Front Load Refuse Truck FY27	450,000.00					450,000.00
Total Sanitation		820,000.00	455,000.00	280,000.00	455,000.00	-	2,010,000.00
Stormwater Management	14th Ave Stormwater Improvements with connection to 11th and 12th Street				136,000.00	680,000.00	816,000.00

	14th Ave Stormwater Improvements		173,000.00	867,000.00			1,040,000.00
	New Street Sweeper		279,000.00				279,000.00
	9th Ave Stormwater Improvements	600,000.00					600,000.00
	Land Aquisition	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Retention Pond Fencing	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	250,000.00
	"C" Avenue Culvert Replacement Construction FY27	500,000.00					500,000.00
	Meadowood Ponds and Emergency Generator		650,000.00				650,000.00
	Stormwater Design 7251 16th Street FY27	150,000.00					150,000.00
	Stormwater Pump Station #5 Panel Upgrades FY27	60,000.00					60,000.00
Total Stormwater Management		1,610,000.00	1,402,000.00	1,167,000.00	436,000.00	980,000.00	5,595,000.00
Streets	Pretty Pond and Wire Road Roundabout	1,000,000.00					1,000,000.00
	Hot Spot - Intersection Improvements	2,000,000.00					2,000,000.00
	Gateway Project	500,000.00					500,000.00
	City Wide Trails	500,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	700,000.00
	Streets Building Improvements	-	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00		75,000.00
	City Wide Sidewalks	700,000.00	200,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	1,200,000.00
	Annual Street Resurfacing	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	5,000,000.00
	School Zone Safety Improvements 12th Street and Henry Drive FY27	500,000.00					500,000.00
	Streets 2500 #2 of 2 FY27	80,000.00					80,000.00
	Streets 2500 Truck #1 of 2 FY27	60,000.00					60,000.00
	Streets Dump Truck FY27	150,000.00					150,000.00
Total Streets		6,490,000.00	1,275,000.00	1,175,000.00	1,175,000.00	1,150,000.00	11,265,000.00
Utility Billing	Re-work the Utility Customer service Area	50,000.00	200,000.00				250,000.00
Total Utility Billing		50,000.00	200,000.00	-	-	-	250,000.00
Wastewater	Replacement cement mixer	15,000.00					15,000.00
	New tractor to replace the current aging one in the Wastewater Division	80,000.00					80,000.00
	Lift Station Major Rehabilitations	600,000.00	600,000.00	600,000.00	600,000.00		2,400,000.00
	Sewer Manhole Rehabilitations	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00		1,000,000.00
	Gravity Sewer Line Rehabilitations	800,000.00	900,000.00	900,000.00	900,000.00		3,500,000.00
	Inventory - Wastewater	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		80,000.00
	Lift Station Odor Control	420,000.00	130,000.00	140,000.00	150,000.00		840,000.00
	Sludge Holding Tank #2 Rehabilitation	550,000.00					550,000.00
	Digester Rehabilitation	1,500,000.00					1,500,000.00
	New Generator for the WWTP	1,650,000.00					1,650,000.00
Total Wastewater		5,885,000.00	1,900,000.00	1,910,000.00	1,920,000.00	-	11,615,000.00
Water Department	New Light Tower	15,000.00					15,000.00
	New pickup to replace aging truck #40	60,000.00					60,000.00
	Convert Ag Well to a Potable Water Well	2,500,000.00					2,500,000.00
	Backflow Replacement	200,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00		950,000.00
	Drinking Water Well Rehabilitation	200,000.00	175,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00		675,000.00
	SCADA System Maintenance and/or Upgrades	50,000.00	50,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00		160,000.00
	Inventory - Water	700,000.00	700,000.00	700,000.00	700,000.00		2,800,000.00
	Meter and Backflow Replacement Program	2,320,000.00					2,320,000.00
	Water Line Extension - Florida Villas US HWY 301	200,000.00					200,000.00
	Water Line Extension - Chancey to Hidden River	1,500,000.00					1,500,000.00
	Water Line Extension Massey Rd - From Eiland Park TH to Geiger Rd	900,000.00					900,000.00
	Well 10 Building Construction	750,000.00					750,000.00

	Well 10 Generator	140,000.00					140,000.00
Total Water Department		9,535,000.00	1,175,000.00	1,130,000.00	1,130,000.00	-	12,970,000.00
Total Departments		54,419,712.00	19,972,692.00	10,467,992.00	12,175,492.00	12,372,865.00	109,408,753.00