

Budget Work Session

Special FY22 Budget Work Session on the Capital Budget

Recommended Council Action

Receive presentation and discuss proposed capital budget and five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Context with Key Issues

The City's new fiscal year will begin July 1, 2021. In accordance with Article VIII of the Charter of the City of Takoma Park, the City Manager has prepared a proposed budget for consideration by the City Council.

The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) includes a five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Details about the CIP can be found on pages 225-245 in the Proposed FY22 Budget document. The descriptions of the projects in this section is a new feature of the document.

The proposed FY22 capital program totals \$9,464,700, approximately half of which relates to the construction of the replacement Library building. Most of the funds for that project were borrowed (2017 Library Bond). Other projects include regular expenditures for sidewalks, traffic calming, road resurfacing and vehicles; a new electric street sweeper; completion of construction documents for the New Hampshire Avenue Bikeway Section A; stormwater system improvements; a variety of bike, transit, façade, streetscaping and sustainability improvements; the beginning of the Atrium floor fill-in project; IT and CityTV hardware and software purchases; and some funds for a potential capital housing project, should one arise.

Council Priority

Mitigate the Impact of COVID-19 on the Community and City Operations A Livable Community for All Fiscally Sustainable Government Environmentally Sustainable Community Engaged, Responsive & Service-oriented Government Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life

Environmental Considerations

The proposed budget recommends substantial continued investment in improving the environment, including, but not limited to stormwater system improvements, general sustainability efforts, continued efforts towards increasing tree canopy, and continued work on library renovations to meet the highest green standards possible.

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Fiscal Considerations

The proposed capital budget for FY22 totals \$9,464,700, in the following categories of funds:

Equipment Replacement Reserve (ERR) - \$1,082,123 Facility Maintenance Reserve (FMR) - \$250,000 General Fund & ARPA - \$2,034,400 Library Bond-2107 Series - \$4,550,479 Speed Camera Fund - \$51,000 Special Revenue Funds - \$1,123,698 Stormwater Fund - \$373,000

Racial Equity Considerations

This budget includes funds to address racial equity through COVID-19 recovery efforts, implementation of the Housing and Economic Development Strategic Plan, consideration of the recommendations of the Reimagining Public Safety Task Force, construction of the Library, continued work on planning the Recreation Center project, substantial community engagement efforts on many subjects, pedestrian and transit safety improvements, work on the Minor Master Plan, and tree canopy and other environmental improvements.

Attachments and Links

• FY22 Proposed Budget