# Basic Local Budget Law 2018

Presented by Oregon Department of Revenue Finance, Taxation & Exemptions

# Finance, Taxation & Exemptions Team:

- √ Trains Local Officials on Local Budget Law
- ✓ Answers Questions about Budget Law & Property Taxes
- ✓ Provides Budgeting Manuals & Forms
- ✓ Reviews Tax Certifications
- ✓ Reviews District Budgets
- ✓ Advises County Assessors & Tax Collectors on property tax law
- ✓ and more

# Agenda - 4 Phases in Budget Process

- 1<sup>st</sup> Phase Propose the budget
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase Approve the budget
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Phase Adopt the budget
- 4<sup>th</sup> Phase Changes after adoption

#### Districts Not Subject to Local Budget Law

ORS 261 People's utility districts

**ORS 440 Health districts** 

**ORS 545 Irrigation districts** 

**ORS 551 Diking districts** 

ORS 553 Water control districts\*

ORS 554 District improvement companies or corporations

ORS 568 Soil and water conservation districts\*

ORS 371 Special and Assessment road districts

ORS 371 County Road district\*

**ORS 372 Highway lighting districts** 

**ORS 547 Drainage districts** 

2017 OR Law Ch.26 Historic ghost towns as defined in ORS 221.862

<sup>\*</sup> That will not impose taxes during the ensuing year. If district does impose property tax any year, it is subject to Local Budget Law.

# Property Tax Cycle

#### **Local Government**

Adopts Budget and Certifies Tax

June 30th





July 15th

#### **Treasurer**

Distributes Revenues

#### **Assessor**

Appraises Property & Calculates Tax



First Payment Due Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

#### **Tax Collector**

Sends Bills & Collects Taxes



Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>

# Purposes of Local Budget Law

- > Establish standard procedures
- > Outline programs & fiscal policies
- > Require estimates of resources & expenditures
- > Encourage citizen involvement
- > Control expenditure of public funds

ORS 294.321

# Why Follow Local Budget Law?

#### A district that doesn't follow LBL may not lawfully:

- Expend money (with some exceptions)
- Certify property taxes to the county assessor

(ORS 294.338)

# A property tax made contrary to LBL is voidable by the Oregon Tax Court if appealed by:

- County Assessor
- County Court
- County Board of Commissioners
- The Department of Revenue
- Ten or more interested taxpayers

(ORS 294.461)

#### DOR v. Umatilla County, otc2519 (1986)

A portion of the 1986-87 tax levy was voided by the court.

Umatilla County failed to republish its budget summary to allow the board to impose a levy amount higher than the amount published in it's budget summary.

# **Civil Liability**

Any public official who expends public monies in excess of the amounts or for any other purpose than authorized by law shall be civilly liable for the return of the money, if there is malfeasance in office or willful or wanton neglect of duty.

ORS 294.100

#### Legislative Update - 2017 session

#### Chapter 26, Oregon Laws 2017 (HB 2278)

May Bond Election Change: Allows a municipal corporation to budget for estimated debt service payments, or use the supplemental budget process to add debt service to their adopted budget when general obligation bonds are approved by voters at May election.

- Allows for resolutions imposing & categorizing bond debt service levy to be made before bonds are sold.
  - If the resolution is made prior to the sale of the bonds it does not become effective until the debt is incurred.

#### Legislative Update - 2017 session (con't...)

#### May Bonds Con't...

- Requires the assessor approve tax certification request as far as September 15<sup>th</sup>, upon written request.
- Expands the supplemental budget justifications to include when a budget is adopted without including an estimate for debt service repayment for GO Bonds sold after approval May election.

#### Legislative Update - 2017 session (con't...)

#### Chapter 26, Oregon Laws 2017 (HB 2278)

#### **Other Changes**

- Provides that historic ghost towns do not have to comply with Local Budget Law.
- Creates consistency in methods by which community college districts budget and make appropriations.

#### Chapter 552, Oregon Laws 2017 (HB 2873)

 Requires notice of local option levy or Bond elections be published on the Secretary of States Electronic filing system (ORS 260.057)

# Phase 1

# Proposing the Budget

# **Budget Calendar**

	<u>Exc</u>	mple Dates	
1.	Appoint budget officer	Jan 10	
2.	Appoint budget committee (BC)	Jan 31	
3.	Prepare proposed budget	Mar 7	
4.	Publish 1 <sup>st</sup> notice of BC meeting	Mar 21	
5.	Publish 2 <sup>nd</sup> notice of BC meeting	April 4	
6.	BC meeting & subsequent mtgs. if needed	April 11	
7.	Publish notice of budget hearing	May 15	
8.	Hold budget hearing	May 23	
9.	Enact Resolutions to adopt, etc	June 27	
10.	Submit tax certification documents	by July 15*	
11.	Send copy of all budget documents to county clerk	by Sept 30*	

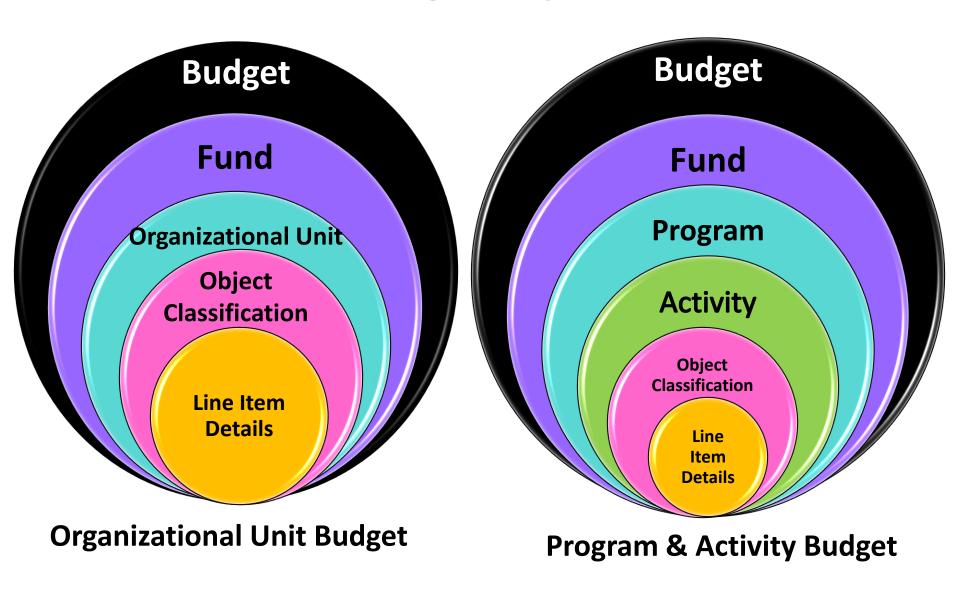
<sup>\*</sup> ORS 305.820(2) states that if any deadline that needs to be filed to tax collector or county falls on a weekend or holiday, then the deadline is extended to the next business day.

# What is a Budget?

- >A financial plan
- For one fiscal year (July 1 June 30)
  or biennial budget period (July 1, 2018 June 30, 2020)
- ➤ Based on <u>estimates</u> of revenues & expenditures and other requirements

The budget is the basis for appropriations, which create the authority to spend public money

## **Budget Layers**



# Prepare Proposed Budget

- ➤ Designate budget officer (Who can serve?)
- ➤ Budget Officer prepares budget under direction of Executive Officer or Governing Body

# Budget is prepared by fund

- A self-balancing set of accounts
- Used to record estimated resources and requirements for specific activities and objectives

# Types of Funds

- >General Fund
- ➤ Special Revenue Fund
- ➤ Capital Project Fund
- ➤ Debt Service Fund

- > Reserve Fund
- >Enterprise Fund
- >Trust & Agency Fund
- >Internal Services Fund

# Types of Funds

- General Fund For general operations with no restrictions on how resources are used.
- Special Revenue Fund Dedicated to local option levy money, specific purpose grants, or other money required to be segregated by statute, charter or terms.
- Capital Project Fund To finance a building or acquisition of capital facilities that are nonrecurring major expenditures.
- Debt Service Fund Used to budget for the payment of principal and interest on long-term debt

#### Types of Funds, cont...

- Internal Services Fund To account for services furnished by one department to another department of the same local government
- Enterprise Fund To account for activities that are primarily self-supporting from user charges and fees
- Trust & Agency Fund For revenue received in a fiduciary capacity to be used for a specified purpose
- Reserve Fund Used to accumulate money for financing the cost of a service, project, property or equipment

# **Budget Organization**

#### Organize requirements within funds by either

#### ➤ Organizational unit:

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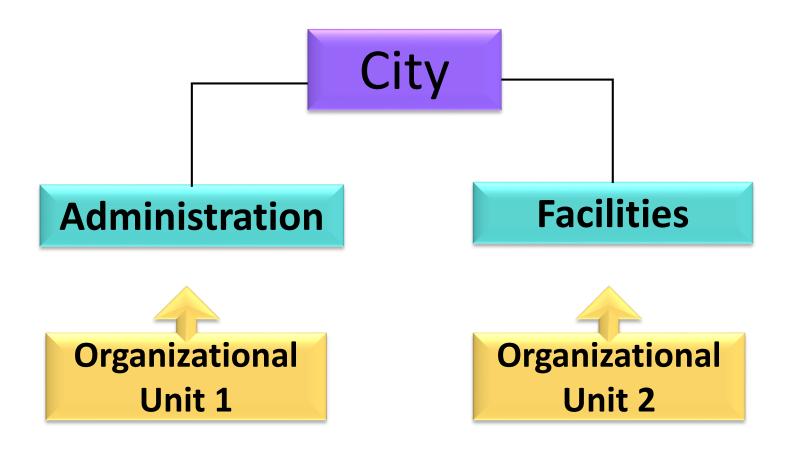
Any administrative subdivision of a municipal corporation, especially one charged with carrying on one or more functions or activities

#### ➤ Program and Activities:

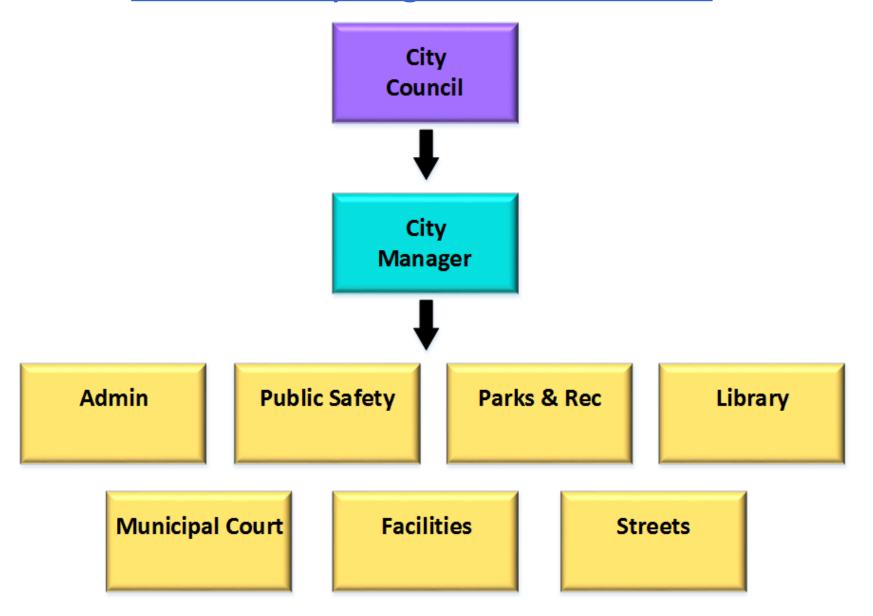
A group of related activities aimed at accomplishing a major service or function for which the municipality is responsible

ORS 294.388

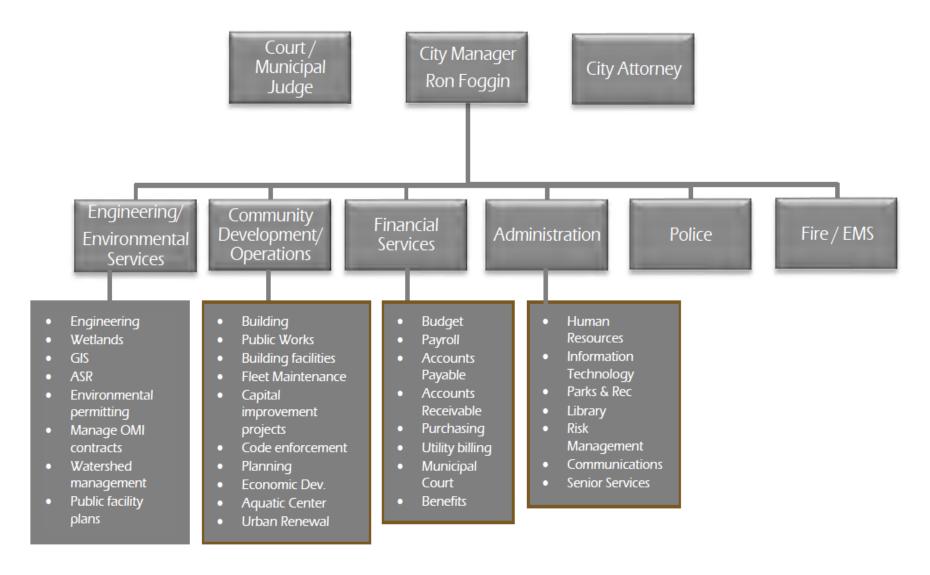
#### Simple Organizational Unit Example



#### **Bedrock City Organizational Chart**

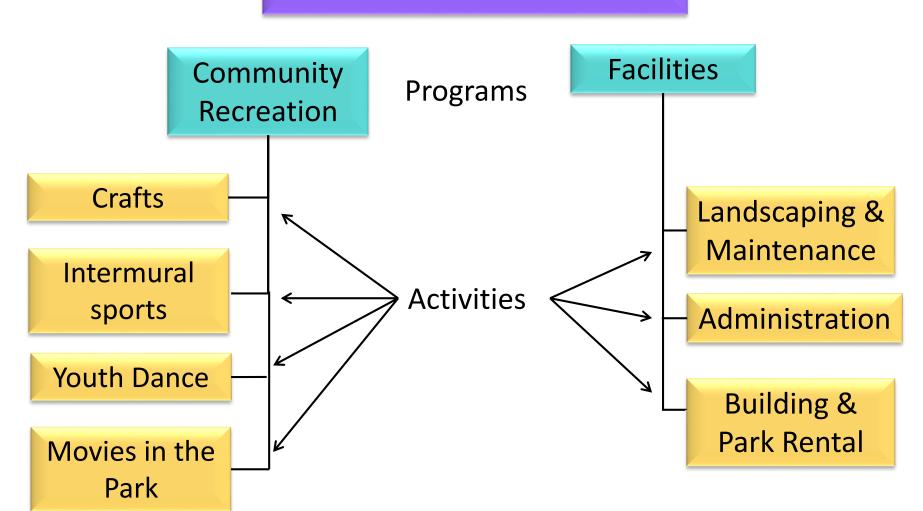


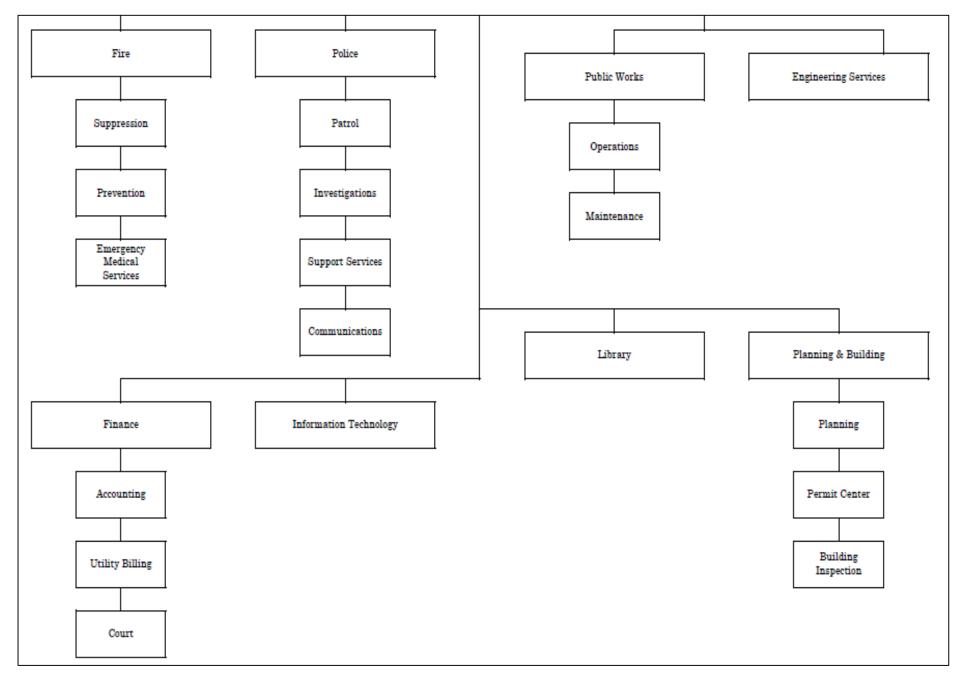
#### City of Dallas



#### Program Example

#### **Parks & Rec District**





## Forms for Local Budget Law

▶ LB, ED, UR, & CC-1

Notice of Budget Hearing

▶ LB-10

Special Revenue Funds

▶ LB-11

Reserve Funds

▶ LB-20

Resources

▶ LB-30

Requirements Summary

▶ LB-31

**Detailed Requirements** 

▶ LB-35

**Bonded Debt** 

▶ LB, ED, & UR-50

Notice of Property Tax and Certification

Budget committee meeting notice

Public comment held or offered at later date

Resolutions

Adopting, appropriating, imposing, and categorizing

Supplemental budget

Notice of Supplemental budget Hearing

# **Budget Detail: Statutory Minimum**

- Line item description
- 2 prior years actual information (Use actual / audited #'s)
- Budgeted amount for current fiscal period
- Proposed amount for next year
  - Once BC approves, complete "Approved" column
  - Once Governing Body adopts, complete "Adopted" column

# **Standardized Format**

Historical Data				Budget for Next Year 2018-19			
Actual							
Second Preceding Year 2015-16	First Preceding Year 2016-17	Adopted Budget This Year 2017-18	Descriptions of Resource and Requirement Items	Proposed By Budget Officer	Approved By Budget Committee	Adopted By Board	
						30	

#### Form OR-LB-30

#### Requirements Summary ALLOCATED to an organizational unit or program & activity.

(Fund)	(Name of Municipal Corporation)

Historical data				Budget for next year 20			$\Box$	
Actual		Adopted budget this year	Requirements for					<b>⊣</b> ∣
Second preceding				(Name of program or organizational unit)	Proposed by	Approved by	Adopted by	
year 20	year 20	year 20	Щ		Budget Officer	Budget Committee	Governing Body	Ш
1			1	Personnel services				1
2			2					2
3			3					3
4			4					4
5			5					5
6			6					6
7			7					7
8			8	Total personnel services				8
9			9	Total full-time equivalent (FTE)				9
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31			31					30
32			32					32
33			33					32 33
34				Total capital outlay				34
35				Organizational unit / Activity total				34 35

# Estimate Resources and Requirements for Each Fund

- > Estimate resources & requirements in line item detail.
- <u>▶All</u> resources & requirements must be budgeted.
- > Resources & requirements must balance.
- Estimates of resources & requirements must be made in "good faith."

# **Budget Resources**

- Beginning cash or net working capital (cash, checking balance, LGIP, CD's, etc.)
- •User fees, assessments, charges for service
- Grants, gifts, donations, etc.
- Bond & other borrowing proceeds
- Interfund transfers, internal service charges
- Interest earned on deposits
- Property taxes (prior years and current)

ORS 294.361

# Budgeting for Marijuana Tax Revenue

 Resources can be co-mingled with other nonrestricted resources, except property tax.

Property tax revenue must be estimated separately from other tax revenue (ORS 294.438)

•Be cautious of violating confidentiality agreements — if specific figures are requested work with your legal counsel to fulfil request.

#### A brief history of Oregon property tax



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtaIhnmxnZU

Source: The Oregonian, September 10, 2015

# **Estimating Property Taxes**

Tax Rate x Taxable Value\* = Tax Amount
But,

Amount you receive is reduced by:

- Compression Losses (Measure 5 Limitation)
- Discounts (Taxes paid in full or 2/3rds by Nov 15)
- ➤ Uncollectibles (Delinquent taxes)

\* "frozen value" in urban renewal plan area

### **Constitutional Limitations**

Article XI, s. 11 and 11b

Measure 50: Tax calculation is based on Assessed Value (AV)

**Measure 5**: Operating tax on a property is limited to:

- >\$5 per \$1,000 of RMV for Education,
- >\$10 per \$1,000 of RMV for Gen. Government

M5 limit is based on *Real Market Value (RMV)* 

# **How Does M5 Compression Loss Work?**

➤If a property's *tax* is higher than its M5 *limit*, the tax must be reduced ("compressed") to fall within the limit.

This loss is shared by all taxing districts (local option taxes reduced first).

### M5 Compression Example



#### Neighbor 1

#### M50 Tax Calculation:

Total Combined Gen. Gov. Tax: \$14/\$1,000 AV
Property's *Assessed Value* \$176,384

Tax on Property \$2469.38

#### M5 Limit Calculation:

General Gov. limit \$10/\$1,000 *RMV*Property's *Real Market Value* \$220,000

Maximum tax under limit \$2,200.00

Gen. Gov. Loss due to M5 Compression = \$269.38



#### Neighbor 2

#### M50 Tax Calculation:

Total Combined Gen. Gov. Tax: \$14/\$1,000 AV
Property's Assessed Value \$176,384
Tax on Property \$2469.38

#### M5 Limit Calculation:

General Gov. limit \$10/\$1,000 *RMV*Property's *Real Market Value* \$280,000

Maximum tax under limit \$2.800.00

NO loss to compression

#### **How Can You Estimate Compression Loss?**

# Summary of Assessments and Levies Report (SAL) Table 4a:

- Assessor prepares report in October
- Often mailed to every taxing district
- Reports taxes imposed, <u>compression loss</u>, taxes extended
- Save report and use it next spring for your budget estimate of M5 loss

Also consider levies of other districts

# Estimating tax receipts for the 3 types of ad valorem taxes

- Permanent Rate Taxes
  - Local Option Taxes
- General Obligation Bond Levies

### Permanent Rate Taxes

- Measure 50 rate limit per \$1,000 of assessed value
- Limit cannot be changed by district or its patrons
- Imposed as rate per \$1,000 or a dollar amount
- Double majority required in March or Sept. election

### **Estimating Permanent Rate Taxes**

Permanent rate limit: \$1.5340/\$1,000

Estimated Assessed Value in district: \$98,769,946

1. Tax rate <i>(per \$1.00 of AV)</i>	X		.0015340
2. Value x rate	=		\$ 151,513
3. Minus est. Measure 5 loss	-		\$ _736
4. Tax to be billed			\$ 150,777
5. County collection average	X		94
6. Tax amount to budget		=	\$ 141,730

### **Local Option Taxes**

- ➤In addition to the permanent rate levy
- >Temporary:
  - For Operations 1 to 5 years
  - For Capital Project Lesser of 10 years or useful life (Defined in ORS 280.060)
- ➤ Voters approve rate per \$1,000 or fixed dollar amount per year
- ➤ Double Majority required in March or Sept.
- >First to be compressed
- ➤ Budget options for September election (280.060)

### **Estimating Local Option Taxes**

(Dollar Amount Local Option)

2.	Minus est. compression loss	-	\$ <u>2,500</u>
3.	Tax to be billed		\$ 42,500
4.	County collection average	X	94

Local option tax levy amount

5. Tax amount to budget

Permanent rate tax \$141,730
Local option tax 39,950
Budget Total for General Fund \$181,680

\$ 45,000

\$ 39,950

### G.O. Bond Debt Service Levy

- Principal & interest (only) on voter-approved general obligation bonds for capital construction
- Voter approval of bonds gives authority to tax for annual debt service
- > Always imposed as a dollar amount
- > Double majority required in March or Sept.
- > Exempt from compression

#### Estimating Bond Debt Service Taxes

Taxes budgeted for debt service Estimated compression losses \$ 25,150

= 0

(GO bond taxes are exempt from M5 limits)

Amount to raise

25,150

(Amount shown in the budget as a resource)

County collection average Taxes to be levied

= \$ 26,755

(This is the amount you will certify to the assessor)

# Object classifications (Allocated)

Personnel Services - Expenses related to employees.

- MUST ALSO INCLUDE A NUMBER FOR FTE.
- How is FTE calculated?

Materials & Services – consumables and service expenses:

- contractual services
- supplies
- other operating expenses

Capital outlay- Items which generally have a useful life of one or more years.

Include line item detail

### Object classifications- (Not Allocated)

**Interfund Transfers-** Transfer of resources from one fund to another.

All transfers out require a corresponding transfer in.

**Debt Service-** The repayment of any loan, bond or other borrowing.

**Special Payments-** A pass-through payment, grant made to other organizations, or other one-time or unusual expenditure that does not fall into any other expenditure category.

### Object classifications- (Not Allocated) Cont...

Operating Contingency- An amount reasonably expected to be spent on unidentified operating expenses.

May only be budgeted in an operating fund.

Reserved for Future Expenditure- An amount a municipal corporation plans to "save" for future spending.

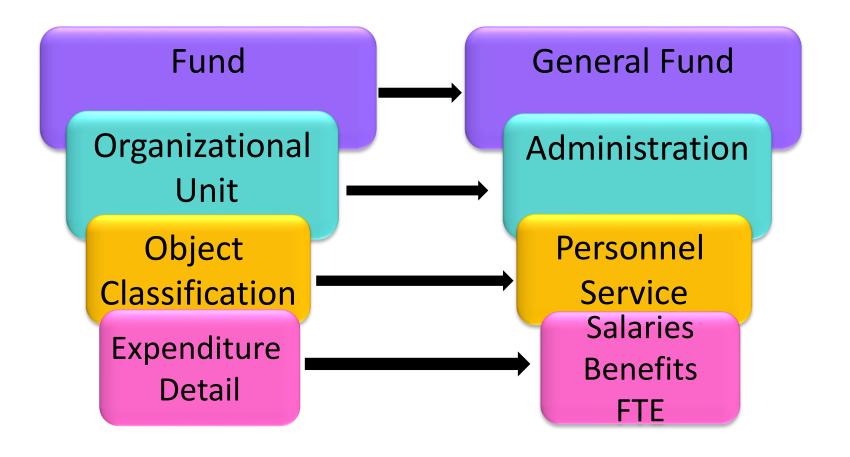
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance - Amount set aside in the budget to be carried over to the next year's budget to cover costs prior to resources being available.

### **Budget Requirements**

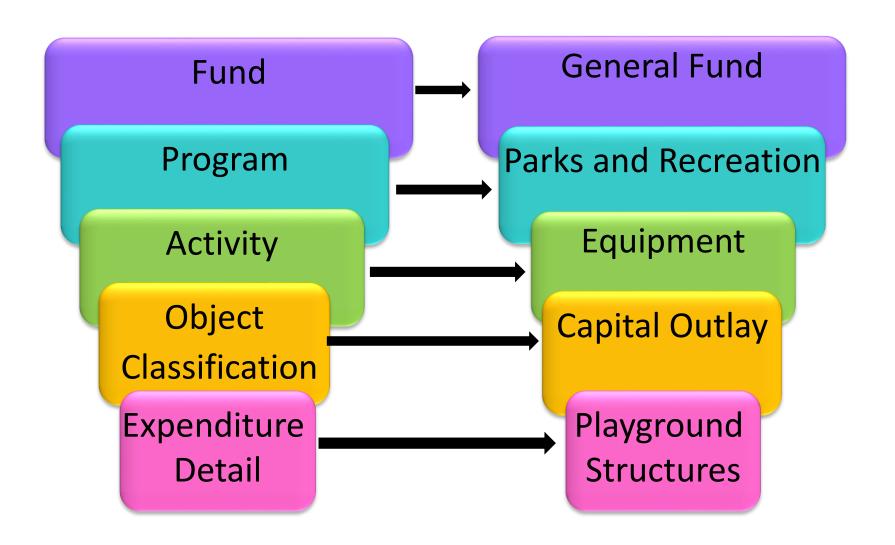
Object Classification	Expenditure or Requirement?	Allocated or Not Allocated to an Organizational Unit or Activity?				
Personnel Services						
Materials & Service		Usually Allocated				
Capital Outlay	Expenditure					
Special Payments						
Debt Service						
Transfers (Out)						
Operating Contingency		Not Allocated				
Reserved for future expenditure	Requirement					
Unappropriated Ending fund Balance						

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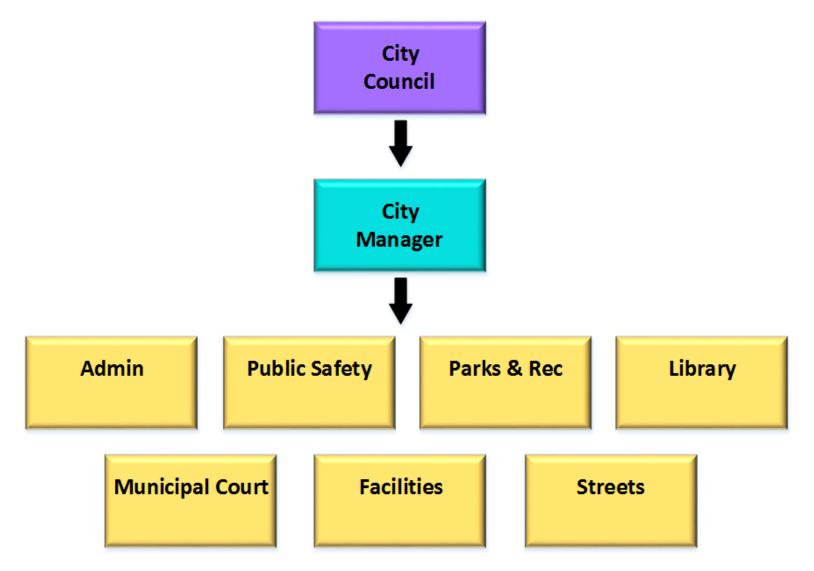
### <u>Budget Organization – Organizational Units</u>



### <u>Budget Organization – Programs</u>



### **Bedrock City Organizational Chart**



### Sample Budget Organization

- **≻**General fund
  - Admin
  - Public Safety
  - Parks & Rec
  - Library
  - Municipal Court
  - Facilities

**▶** Debt Service Fund

- >Streets Fund
  - Street Department
- ➤ Library Special Revenue Fund
  - Library
- ➤ Rock Quarry Reserve Fund
  - Parks & Rec

# Review Sample Budget

# **Discussion: Proposed Budget**

- What's the difference between an organizational unit and a program?
- True or false: If you only have one fund, you don't need to budget by organizational unit or program.
- Which object classifications are defined as operational expenditures?
- What are the object classifications (categories of requirements) that should be allocated to an organizational unit?
- True or false: Debt service must always be budgeted in a debt service fund.

#### **Discussion: Proposed Budget**

- True or False: When levying for G.O. bond debt, your levy amount should be more than the amount needed to pay principle and interest.
- What is the formula used to estimate the amount of property tax to be received? What other factors should be considered?
- What information do you have to include in your budget if you estimate expenditures for Personnel Services?
- True or False: "Non-Departmental" is an appropriate name for an org. unit/program within the General Fund.

#### Phase 2

# Budget Committee Approves the Budget

### Who's on the Budget Committee?

#### The Governing Body



an Equal Number of Appointed Electors

#### **Appointed Members**

- "Electors" are registered voters in the district
- Cannot be officers, agents or employees
- Appointed for staggered 3-year terms
- All members have the same authority
- •If you can't fill all appointed, committee can be fewer

# Notice of Budget Committee Meeting

#### Publish notice of the first meeting at which:

- The budget and budget message are presented, and public comments and questions are heard.
- If public comments are not heard at the first meeting, give notice of both meetings.

In Washington County, also submit summary of proposed budget for publication on the county website (contact the Finance Department).

# Publication Methods

- ▶ Printing twice in a newspaper of general circulation:
  5 30 days before meeting
- **▶** Posting notice on your website:

At least 10 days before meeting, **AND** Printing once in a newspaper 5 – 30 days before meeting

➤ Mailing by U.S. Postal Service first class:

To each street address, PO Box and RRN in district At least 10 days before meeting

**≻**Hand delivery

To each street address in district At least 10 days before meeting

# Public Comment at First Meeting

Use this notice if public comment will be taken at this meeting.														
NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING														
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# Public Comment at Later Meeting

В	B Use this notice if public comment will be taken at a later meeting.												
	NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING												
A public	public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Bedrock City, Stone										_, State	of Ore	gon,
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# **Budget Committee's Meeting Process**

- ➤ All meetings are subject to Public Meetings Law
- ➤ Presiding officer must be elected at first meeting
- Quorum is required to conduct business
- > Majority of committee is required to take action
- Committee may request and receive additional information from district officials

### Quorum example

#### **Governing Body**

#### **Electors**





















If your full budget committee is 10 people quorum = 6





















Vacancies on the governing body side still count toward the quorum. Quorum = 6





















Vacancies on the electors side are not counted. Quorum = 5

### What the Budget Committee Does

- Receives the budget document
- Hears the budget message
- Hears & considers public comment
- Discusses and revises the budget as needed
- Approves the budget
- Approves the property taxes

### Receives the Budget Document

- ➤ Budget is a public document when released to committee
- Available to the public at the same time as the committee
- ➤ Public has right to inspect
- ➤ Must provide means for public to copy (can also charge for copies)

# The Budget Message

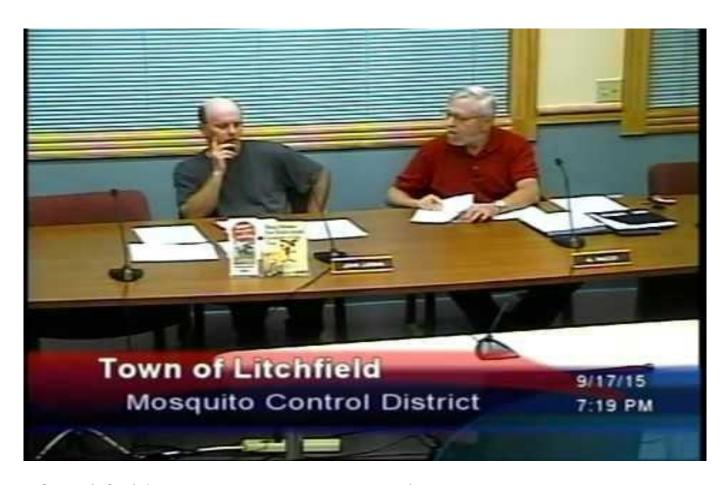
- Prepared by / under direction of executive officer
- Explains budget document
- Describes financial policies
- > Explains any changes since last year
- Must be in writing
- > Anyone can deliver it

ORS 294.403

### Hear Public Comment

- >On the date and time in the published notice
- ➤ Any person may ask questions about and comment on the budget ORS 294.426(4)(c)
- > Can establish time limits and other policies for public comment period
- ➤At additional meetings if desired Give same notice as a regular meeting of the governing body

ORS 294.428(2)



Town of Litchfield, NH – Mosquito Control District <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RTXUIVmJQmQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RTXUIVmJQmQ</a>

# Approve the Budget

#### Sample Motion to Approve Budget:

"I move that the budget committee of <u>Bedrock City</u> approve the budget for the <u>2018-19</u> fiscal year in the amount of \$13,910,076."

(motion and vote recorded in the minutes)

# Approve Each Tax levy

#### Sample Motion to Approve Taxes:

"I move that the budget committee of <u>Bedrock City</u> approve property taxes for the <u>2018-19</u> fiscal year at the rate of  $\frac{$4.4143 \text{ per } $1,000}{$1,000}$  of assessed value for the permanent rate tax levy, in the amount of  $\frac{$0.1213}{$1,000}$  for the local option tax levy, and in the amount of  $\frac{$496,315}{$1,000}$  for the general obligation bond levy."

(motion and vote recorded in the minutes)

The Budget Committee is now finished.

# Publish Budget Hearing Notice & Summary of Budget

- ➤ Print once in newspaper <u>5-30</u> days before hearing
- ➤ Mail or hand deliver to each street address, PO Box and RRN <u>5-30</u> days before hearing
  - There is no Internet option for this notice
  - If budget < \$100,000 and no newspaper published in the district, can <u>post</u> in 3 places for at least <u>20</u> days prior to hearing
  - In Multnomah County, submit budget to Tax Supervising Conservation Commission, if subject to its jurisdiction.

ORS 294.438

# Go to LB-1 Form and Review Hearing Notice

# **Alternative Publication Format**

- ➤ Optional Narrative Format
- ➤ Same information as on LB-1 form
- ➤ Same timeline as with LB-1 form
- >Can use narrative, charts, pictures, etc.

ORS 294.438

# **Correcting Publication Errors**

- ➤ Publication is considered sufficient if the budget officer makes a "good faith" effort.
- If you know your notice will be late, re-schedule the hearing and publish timely.
- ➤ If you know your hearing won't be on the date published, publish another notice.

# Correcting Publication Errors (cont.)

#### If these errors occur:

- Typographical error
- Math error
- Error in calculating the tax

# Then at first meeting after the error is discovered, the budget officer must:

- Advise the governing body in writing, and
- Give testimony correcting the error.

# **Budget Committee Question 1**

Bedrock City's council received a resignation notice from one of the appointed budget committee members. The member has only served one year of his three year term.

What should the City Council do?

# **Budget Committee Question 2**

The Bedrock City Council is supposed to have five members but one position is vacant. There are supposed to be five appointed members of the budget committee but the council can only find three people willing to serve.

How many people must be at a budget committee meeting for there to be a quorum?

How many votes are required to pass a motion?

# **Budget Committee Question 3**

Bedrock City published a notice that their first budget committee meeting would be held on March 11<sup>th</sup> and that they would take public comment at that meeting. On March 11<sup>th</sup> two of the budget committee members can't make it to the meeting because of the flu. As a result, there isn't a quorum at the meeting.

Can an alternate member fill in for an absent member?

# Phase 3 Adopting the Budget

# **Governing Body Holds Budget Hearing**

- >Hold the hearing on the date published, or reschedule & publish a revised notice
- Hearing is on the budget "as approved" by budget committee
- > Any person may comment on the budget

# **Changes After Budget Hearing**

After the hearing, the governing body can change the budget estimates and tax levy approved by the budget committee.

#### **However,** if they want to:

- increase tax by <u>any</u> amount, *Or*
- increase expenditures in any fund by 10% or more (or \$5,000 whichever is greater),

They must *republish* the amended budget summary and hold *another* budget hearing.

# Resolutions

After the hearing and *on or before* June 30, the governing body must enact a resolution to:

- Adopt the budget
- Make Appropriations
- Impose each tax levy
- Categorize each tax by its Measure 5 category (Education or General Government)

# Resolution Adopting the Budget

- >State the fiscal year or biennial budget period
- >State the total \$ amount of budget resources
  - Be sure to include all resources and all funds

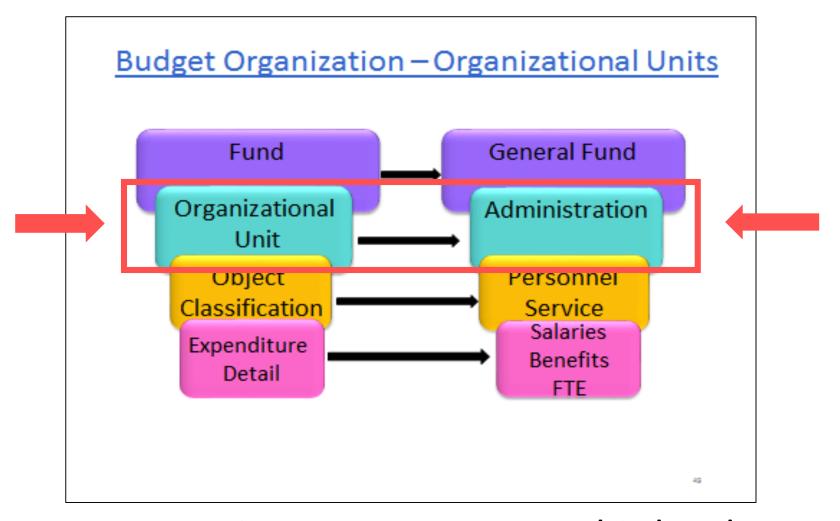
# Appropriations Based on Organizational Units or Programs

#### One amount for each Organizational Unit or Program:

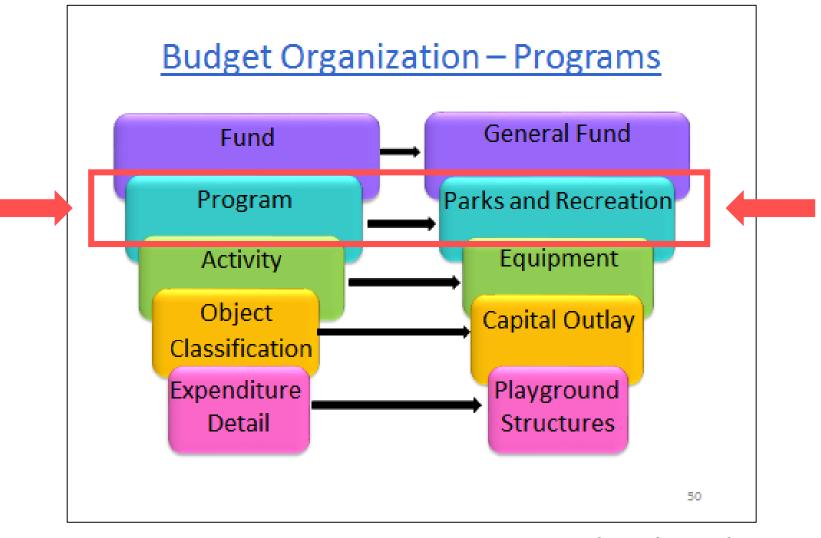
✓ Include <u>only</u> Personnel Services, Materials & Services, and Capital Outlay

#### Separate amounts for any:

- ✓ Personnel Services, Materials & Services, or Capital Outlay not allocated to an organizational unit or program
- ✓ Debt Service
- ✓ Special Payments
- ✓ Transfers
- ✓Operating Contingency



Appropriate **one amount** at this level for Personnel Services + Materials and Services + Capital Outlay



Appropriate one amount at this level for Personnel Services + Materials and Services + Capital Outlay

# **Statutory Appropriations**

#### **Fund**

Organizational Unit Or Program #1 ...\$\$\$

**Organizational Unit Or Program #2 ...\$\$\$** 

(Not allocated to Organizational Unit or Program) **Personnel services** ......\$\$\$

Materials & services ......\$\$\$

**Capital outlay ......\$\$\$** 

**Debt Service ......\$\$\$** 

Special Payments ......\$\$\$

Interfund transfers .....\$\$\$

**Operating contingency ......\$\$\$** 

One amount for each organizational unit that is the total of:

- **Personnel Services**
- + Materials & Services
- + Capital outlay.

Object classifications not allocated to an Organizational Unit or Program

# **Appropriating to Greater Detail**

# Statutory Minimum Standard

General Fund

**Administration \$5000** 

# **Greater detail allowed by Admin Rule**

## **General Fund**

#### **Administration**

Personnel Services \$2000

Materials & Services \$2000

Capital Outlay \$1000

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# Organization of Appropriations

- **≻**General fund
  - Admin
  - Public Safety
  - Parks & Rec
  - Library
  - Municipal Court
  - Facilities
  - Personnel Services
  - Transfers
  - Contingency

- **≻GO Bond Debt Service Fund** 
  - Debt Service
- >Streets Fund
  - Street Department
- **► Library Special Revenue Fund** 
  - Library
- **≻**Rock Quarry Reserve Fund
  - Parks & Rec

# **Appropriations Example**

## **General Fund:**

Administration	\$ 557,540
Public Safety	4,575,600
Parks and Rec	304,500
Library	424,650
Municipal Court	178,000
Facilities	334,000
Personnel Services	150,000
Transfers	170,000
Contingency	<u>75,000</u>
Total	\$7,187,890

# Schools Appropriate by ODE Function

#### For each fund:

1000 Instruction

**2000 Support Services** 

3000 Enterprise & Community Services

4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction

5000 Other Uses

5100 Debt Service

5200 Transfers

6000 Contingency

ORS 294.393

# **Community Colleges Appropriate:**

- by CCWD Function;
- by ODE Function; or
- by Organizational Unit\*

<sup>\* 2017</sup> OR Law Ch.26 - Creates consistency in budget and appropriations methods for community college districts.

# **Appropriations**

Appropriated	<ul> <li>Personnel Services</li> <li>Materials &amp; Services</li> <li>Capital Outlay</li> <li>Debt Service</li> <li>Special Payments</li> <li>Transfers Out</li> <li>Contingency</li> </ul>
Never	<ul> <li>Reserved for Future Expenditure</li> <li>Unappropriated Ending Fund</li></ul>
Appropriated	Balance (UEFB)

# Resolution Imposing the Tax

- >Impose each tax levy separately.
- Impose permanent rate per \$1,000 or a dollar amount (not both).
- >Impose local option levy as approved by voters.
- >Impose bond levy as a dollar amount.

Cannot exceed rate/amount approved by Budget Committee unless you republish budget summary and hold another hearing

# Resolution Categorizing the Tax

Type of Tax	Subject to General Gov't Limit	Excluded from Limitation
Permanent rate limit	\$4.4143/\$1,000	
Local option levy	\$0.1213/\$1,000	
G.O. Bond levy		\$496,315

Categorize each tax (permanent rate limit, local option, G.O. bond levy) by its Measure 5 category:

- Subject to "General Government" limit
- Subject to "Education" limit
- "Excluded from constitutional limits"

# Go to Resolutions & LB-50 Example

# **Documents Taxing Districts Submit**

#### By July 15, send the Assessor:

- √2 copies of the tax certification form,
- ✓2 copies of the resolutions,
- √2 copies of ballot measure for any new tax.

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#### By Sept 30, send the County Clerk:

- ✓ Copy of complete budget document, including:
  - Budget Message
  - Budget detail sheets,
  - Meeting notices or affidavits of publication,
  - Resolutions adopting, appropriating, imposing, etc.,
  - Tax certification
  - Sample ballot for any new tax

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# **Documents Non-taxing Districts Submit**

#### By July 15, send to Dept. of Revenue:

√1 copy of the resolutions

# Keep on file a copy of complete budget document, including:

- Budget Message
- Budget detail sheets,
- Meeting notices or affidavits of publication,
- Resolutions adopting, appropriating, imposing, etc.

ORS 294.458(1)

# <u>Additional Requirements for Schools, ESD's</u> <u>& Community Colleges</u>

#### **School Districts & ESD's:**

- √ Hard copy of budget to Dept of Education by July 15<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Electronic copy to Dept of Education by August 15<sup>th</sup>

#### **Community Colleges:**

✓ Copy of budget to Department of Community Colleges & Workforce Development by July 15

# **Discussion: Adopting and Appropriating**

- ➤ Can the resolution making appropriations include any of these appropriation categories: *Miscellaneous, other, UEFB*?
- >Which object classifications can be included in the appropriation amount for an org. unit/program?
- Which statutory appropriation categories must be appropriated separately from a program or organizational unit?
- ➤ In what type of fund are you allowed to budget and appropriate for contingency?
- >Should the total adopted budget amount include the unappropriated amounts?

# Discussion: Imposing & Categorizing

- ➤ Is it acceptable to impose both a tax rate and a total tax amount for the same levy?
- ➤ Can a GO Bond levy be imposed as a rate?
- What are the three options when categorizing taxes by constitutional limitation?
- ➤ Should taxes be categorized by each fund? Or, by each levy imposed?

The city has extra money in their budget that they don't need for anything. They just put it into "Contingency".

Is that OK? If not, what should they do?

The city received a late donation and has more money than anticipated for next year. As a result, the council wants to change the budget approved by the budget committee before the council adopts it.

Can they do that? If so, what do they have to do?

There's only one person who knows how to complete the LB-50 and he's out of the office until the first of August.

What can the district do in this situation?

#### What's wrong with these appropriations?

General Fund		Timber Infrastructure & Improvement Fund	
Administration	385,812	TIIF	320,553
Police	557,907	Transfers Out	131,011
Municipal Court	10,000	Contingency	1,500,000
Not allocated to Organization L	Jnit or Program:	Total	\$1,951,564
Materials & Services	147,310		
Transfer Out (Debt Service)	75,000	Scout Lake Fund	
Contingency	2,473	Scout Lake	38,500
Total	\$1,178,502	Total	\$38,500
Street Fund		Enterprise Zone Fund	
Streets	235,960	Transfers Out	179,000
Debt Service	233,500	Contingency	65,095
Transfers Out	12,022	Total	\$244,095
Contingency	23,515		4-1,755
Total	\$271,497	Infrastructure Maintenance & Improvement Fur	nd
		Transfers Out	80,000
Sewer Fund		Contingency	88,675
Sewer	488,336	Total	\$168,675
Debt Service	0		
Transfers Out	25,547	Sewer System Development	
Contingency	34,452	Contingency	7,215
Total	\$548,335	Total	\$7,215
Water Fund		Water System Development	
Water Fund	530,300	Contingency	44,880
Debt Service	0	Total	\$44,880
Transfers Out	39,072		
Contingency	43,088		,
Total	\$612,460	7	
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#### How about these?

#### MAKING APPROPRIATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the amounts for the fiscal year beginning July 1, <u>2016</u>, and for the purposes shown below are hereby appropriated:

General Fund		Reserve Fund	
Personal Services	983,875	Personal Services	0
Materials & Services	333,455	Materials & Services	0
Capital Outlay	24,902	Capital Outlay	1,572,500
Transfers	19,000	Total	1,572,500
Contingency	15,520	Capital Projects Fund - A	Arena
Total	1,376,752	Personal Services	386,700
		Materials & Services	975,200
		Capital Outlay	5,390,564
Debt Service Fund		Transfers	1,011,887
Debt Service	588,800	Contingency	507,563
Total	588,800	Total	8,271,914
	Total APPRO	PRIATIONS, All Funds	11,809,966
Total Una	appropriated and Rese	erve Amounts, All Funds	430,795
	TOTAL	ADOPTED BUDGET	12,240,761

# Phase 4 Changes After Adoption

# Who's had to make a budget change?

#### Changes to Budget After Adoption

- A budget is a <u>plan</u> based on <u>estimates</u>;
- The budget provides the foundation for appropriations;
- Appropriations are authority to spend public money,

#### **AND**

Appropriations are limitations on expenditures

#### An Appropriation is a Limitation

#### Don't overspend your appropriations!

ORS 294.456(6): Except as provided in . . . 294.471 , 294.473 . . . an expenditure . . . of public money may not be made for any purpose in an amount greater than the amount appropriated.



# Make Changes to Appropriations Before Over-Spending

- The change must be in place <u>before</u> an overexpenditure is made
- Adopting a resolution or supplemental budget after an over-expenditure does not correct the violation of Local Budget Law

ORS 294.471(3)(c): Additional expenditures contained in a supplemental budget ...may not be made unless the governing body of the municipal corporation enacts appropriation ordinances or resolutions authorizing the expenditures.

#### Actions Possible after Adoption

Budget law provides several LEGAL ways to adjust your budget after adoption if your needs change, including:

- ➤ Appropriation Transfer ORS 294.463
- ➤ Supplemental budget ors 294.471 & 294.473
- ➤ Expenditures outside of budget law ORS 294.338
- ➤ Other fiscal tools
  - Interfund loans ORS 294.468
  - Eliminate unnecessary fund ORS 294.353
  - Emergency authorizations ORS 294.481

## **Appropriation Transfers**

- ➤To move appropriations between <u>existing</u> categories within a fund or between two funds
- ➤ To transfer appropriations and resources from a fund to any other fund
- > Resolution must state:
  - Need for transfer
  - Purpose of expenditure
  - Amount

ORS 294.463(1)

#### <u>Appropriation Transfer Example</u>

Increase Police appropriations by transferring \$100,000 from Administration appropriations

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Existing</b>	<b>Change</b>	<u>Adjusted</u>
Administration	\$400,000	\$(100,000)	\$300,000
Police	\$1,900,000	\$100,000	\$2,000,000
Library	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Transfer Out	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Contingency	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	\$3,250,000	<b>\$0</b>	\$3,250,000

#### Transferring appropriations between funds

# Transfer \$200,000 of appropriations from the General Fund to the Library Fund

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Existing</b>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Adjusted</u>
Admin	\$2,000,000	\$(200,000)	\$1,800,000
Transfer Out *	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Library Fund			
Resource: Transfer in	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Appropriation Library	\$300,000	\$200,000	\$500,000

<sup>\*</sup> A Transfer Out may be created when transferring between funds by resolution.

## **Transfer Contingency**

#### Transfer to another existing appropriation

- Transfer by resolution is limited to 15% of total fund appropriations
- 15% limit is cumulative for the fiscal period
- If more than 15% transferred in a year, a supplemental budget is required for the excess

ORS 294.463(2)

## Moving contingency of less than 15% of Appropriations

Increase library appropriations by transferring \$50,000 out of contingency

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Existing</b>	<b>Change</b>	<u>Adjusted</u>
Administration	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Police	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$1,900,000
Library	\$400,000	\$50,000	\$450,000
Transfer Out	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Contingency	\$500,000	\$(50,000)	\$450,000
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	\$3,250,000	<b>\$0</b>	\$3,250,000

Contingency transfer as a % of adopted appropriations = 1.5%

## A Supplemental Budget

- > Modifies the currently adopted budget
- > Effective through the end of the fiscal year
- > Used to:
  - Increase or decrease appropriations,
  - Create a new appropriation category, or
  - Create a new fund

## Supplemental Budget Justification:

- Occurrence or condition not known during the regular budget process
- Unforeseen pressing necessity requires prompt action
- Unanticipated money from federal, state or local government
- Request for services, to be paid for by others

#### Supplemental Budget Justification (cont.)

- Destruction, involuntary conversion or sale requires immediate replacement
- More property taxes received than estimated
- Local Option approved in September election

Add Debt Service when GO bonds are approved in May election

## Supplemental Budget Process

#### **Two Processes:**

- 1. Change in expenditures in a fund is 10% or less
- 2. Change in expenditures in a fund > 10%

#### When determining expenditures, do not include:

- Transfers,
- Contingency,
- Reserves for future expenditure, or
- Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance

#### **Budget Requirements**

Object Classification	Expenditure or Requirement?	Allocated or Not Allocated to an Organizational Unit or Activity?
Personnel Services		
Materials & Service	Expenditure	Usually Allocated
Capital Outlay		
Special Payments		
Debt Service		
Transfers (Out)		
Operating Contingency		Not Allocated
Reserved for future expenditure	Requirement	
Unappropriated Ending fund Balance		

ORS 294.388

## If Change is 10% or less

- >Adopt at a regular meeting (no hearing required)
- ➤ Publish notice of the regular meeting:
  - At least <u>5 days</u> before the meeting
  - In newspaper, by 1<sup>st</sup> class mail or by hand-delivery
  - Include a statement that a supplemental budget will be considered at the meeting
- ➤ Adopt by resolution
- Appropriate by a resolution that states the need for, the purpose and the amount of the appropriation

## If Change is More Than 10%

- Public hearing is required
- > Publish Notice of the hearing:
  - At least <u>5 days</u> before the hearing
  - In newspaper, by 1<sup>st</sup> class mail or by hand-delivery
  - Summarize changes in each fund changing > 10%
- > After hearing, adopt by resolution
- ➤ Resolution must state the need for, the purpose and the amount of the appropriation

# Go to Supplemental Notice in sample budget

## Hearing

No Hearing

Change is over 10% of fund expenditures\*

Change is 10% or less of fund expenditures\*

Publish notice and summary of changes

Publish notice of meeting, indicating a supplemental budget will be considered

<sup>\*</sup>Expenditures do not include Transfers, Contingency, Reserved for Future Expenditure or UEFB

#### Appropriation Transfer or Supplemental Budget

Appropriation Transfer ORS 294.464	Supplemental Budget ORS 294.471 & 294.473
<ul> <li>Transfers appropriation         authority from one existing         category to another.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Creates a new appropriation category or fund.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>No change to the overall appropriation expenditure authority.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Changes overall appropriation authority (i.e. changes the overall footprint of the budget).</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Contingency transfers of up to 15% of total fund appropriations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contingency transfers of over 15% of total fund appropriations</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>May or may not require a hearing.</li> </ul>

## Resources less than budgeted?

#### Option 1: You may reduce appropriations:

- It's optional
- By supplemental budget:
  - At regular meeting if 10% or less
  - After public hearing if > 10%

# Option 2: You could just spend less than appropriated

ORS 294.471(1)

## Expenditures outside of the budget

#### Expenditure of specific purpose grants, gifts, etc.

- Appropriate by resolution
- Carry-over from prior year may also be appropriated
- General purpose grant may require supplemental budget

#### Expenditures outside of the budget

#### **Unforeseen Occurrence**

- ➤If 'Non-tax' money is available
- >Appropriate by resolution
- > Resolution must declare
  - unforeseen occurrence or condition, or
  - pressing necessity, or
  - that a request for services to be paid for by others, requires additional expenditure.

ORS 294.338(3)

#### Expenditures outside of the budget

#### **Bond Exceptions**

Supplemental budget not required to expend proceeds or make debt service payments for:

- Revenue Bonds sold in the current year
- G.O. bonds approved by voters in the year
- Refunding bonds issued in the year

ORS 294.338(4)&(5)

#### Other Expenditures outside of the budget

- ➤ Bond redemption expenditures 294.338(5)
- Expenditure of assessments for local improvements 294.338(6)
- ➤ Payment of deferred compensation 294.338(7)
- ➤ Refunds when purchased items are returned (must appropriate by resolution) 294.338(9)
- ➤ Newly formed municipal corporation 294.338(10)

#### **Interfund Loans**

#### Resolution must state:

- ✓ Funds making & receiving the loan
- ✓ Purpose of the loan
- ✓ Principal loan amount
- ✓ Repayment schedule (capital loan)
- ✓ Interest to be charged (capital loan)

#### Loans not allowed from some funds

(debt service fund, constitutionally dedicated moneys [like gas taxes])

Be sure there is appropriation authority

ORS 294.468

#### Repaying Interfund Loans

#### Loan for Operations:

- Pay back by end of this year or the next
- If paid back next year, must be budgeted

#### Capital Loan:

- Pay back within 10 years
- Payments in future years must be budgeted

## **Eliminate Unnecessary Fund**

If a fund becomes unnecessary during fiscal year, a resolution must declare it unnecessary.

Transfer balance to General Fund unless other provision was made when fund was established.

ORS 294.353

#### **Emergency Situation**

To respond to involuntary conversion or destruction of property, civil disturbance, natural disaster or public calamity, governing body may:



- Receive grants or borrow money
- Appropriate from any available source, including unappropriated ending fund balance
- Appropriate by resolution or supplemental

For public safety or health, executive officer may authorize expenditure if not practical to convene meeting

The budget adopted by the board of the City of Bedrock included expenditures for three new footmobiles. However, the board only appropriated the expenditure for the two and forgot the third.

What options does the district have to purchase the third footmobile?

A citizen of Bedrock City won the lottery and has given the city a large cash donation that the city can use for whatever is needed most.

What options does the city have to legally spend this money?

All the cities in the Stone Age County have applied for a grant for a Stone containment systems for the various cities. The City of Bedrock submitted the joint application for the grant and will actually purchase the systems requested by each of the cities.

What does the City of Bedrock have to do regarding this grant and purchase?

What if Bedrock City simply passed the money through to the other cities?

In an unfortunate turn of events Fred and Barney smashed through several public buildings with their new footmobile. The city needs to repair the buildings ASAP. There will be insurance proceeds for part of the cost of the repairs, but to make up the difference the board will need to increase their appropriations in the General Fund. The expenditure wasn't anticipated or budgeted for.

What actions will the city need to take to pay for the repairs?

## Questions?

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