



FY 2016 Budget Update

Office of Management and Budget



FY 2016 Budget Process

- FY16 process will continue implementation of Results Alexandria
 - Improve use of performance measures in budget decisions
- What's going on currently?
 - Preparing for budget submissions
 - Rolling out Five Year Plan
 - Conducting Civic Engagement Activities

FY 2016 Budget Process



Budget Process Steps	Process
Civic Engagement (Public Prioritization Survey)	Oct. 15 - Nov. 5 ✓
Civic Engagement (Community Leaders Meeting)	Nov. 3 ✓
Council Retreat	Nov. 8 ✓
Council Guidance	Nov. 11 ✓
City Manager Budget Guidance Released	Nov. 21 ✓
Budget Submissions Due	Dec. 23
Civic Engagement (Education on Budget and Process)	Dec. / Jan.
Proposed Budget	Mar. 3
Public Hearing – Budget	Mar. 16
Public Hearing – Tax Rate	Apr. 18
Budget Adoption	May 7

Five Year Plan



What is the Five Year Plan?

- **Financial Model**
 - Projection of future revenues and expenditures based on current economic climate, policies and services
 - Includes dynamic layering of individual policy choices
- **Financial Plan is the Financial Model Plus:**
 - Economic position for context
 - Debt and fund balance projections
 - Fiscal impact analysis of specific policy options

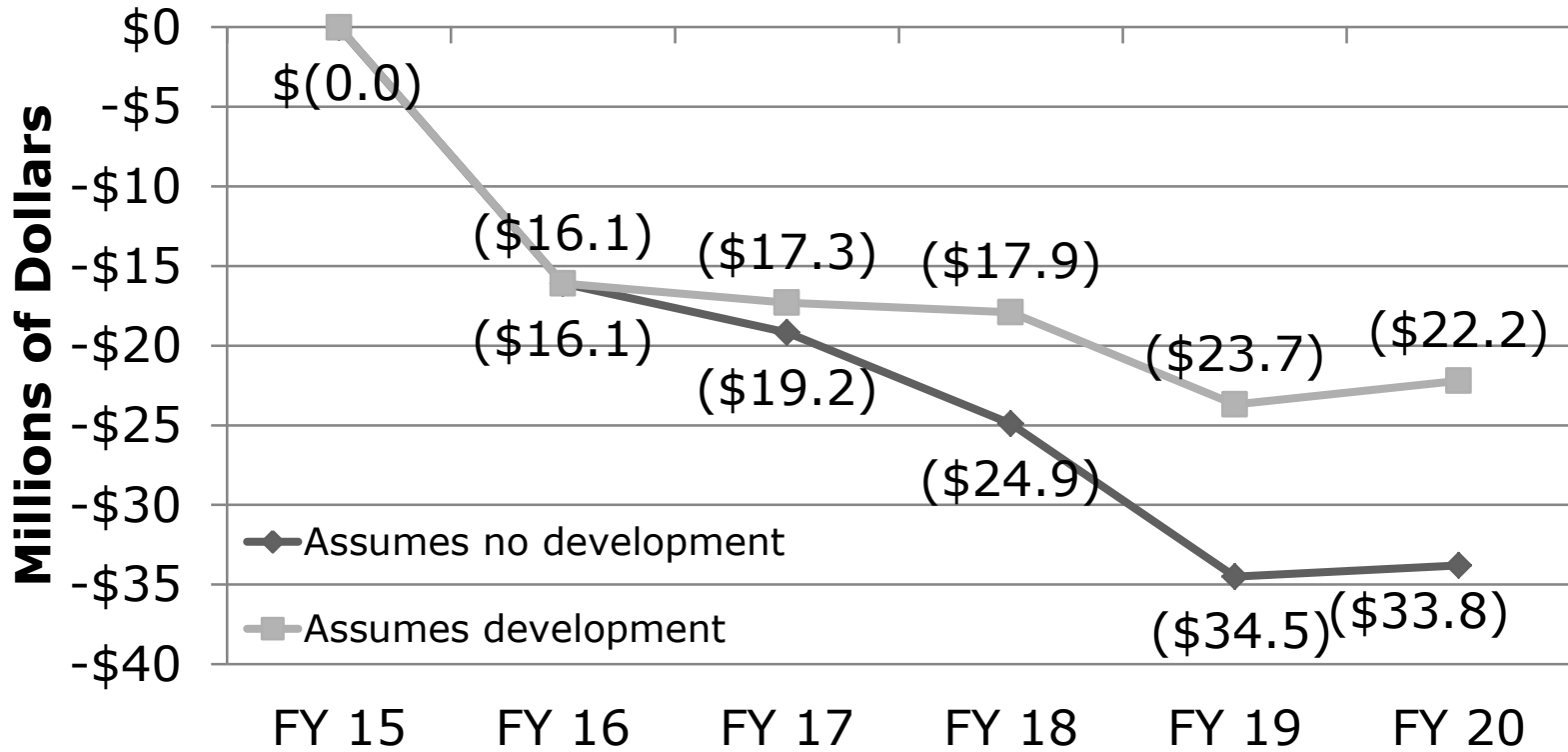
What does the Five Year Plan do?

- **Extends the Financial Planning Time Horizon**
- **Illustrates Five Year Fiscal Impact of Current Policy Decisions**
- **Allows Phasing of Policy and Service Changes**



Revenue Assumptions – Real Estate Development Impacts

Projected Fiscal Imbalance
Development vs. No Development





Five Year Plan – Policy Options

Several of the policy options that are analyzed in the five year plan will soon be discussed by City Council

COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS (TENTATIVE)

Month	Topic(s)
December	Debt Policy and Stormwater Funding ACPS and City on Early Childhood Education
January	Business Tax Reform
February	Employee Compensation

Civic Engagement



ONLINE PRIORITIZATION OF LONG-TERM OUTCOMES



ENGAGE BOARD, COMMISSION, CIVIC GROUP & COMMUNITY LEADERS



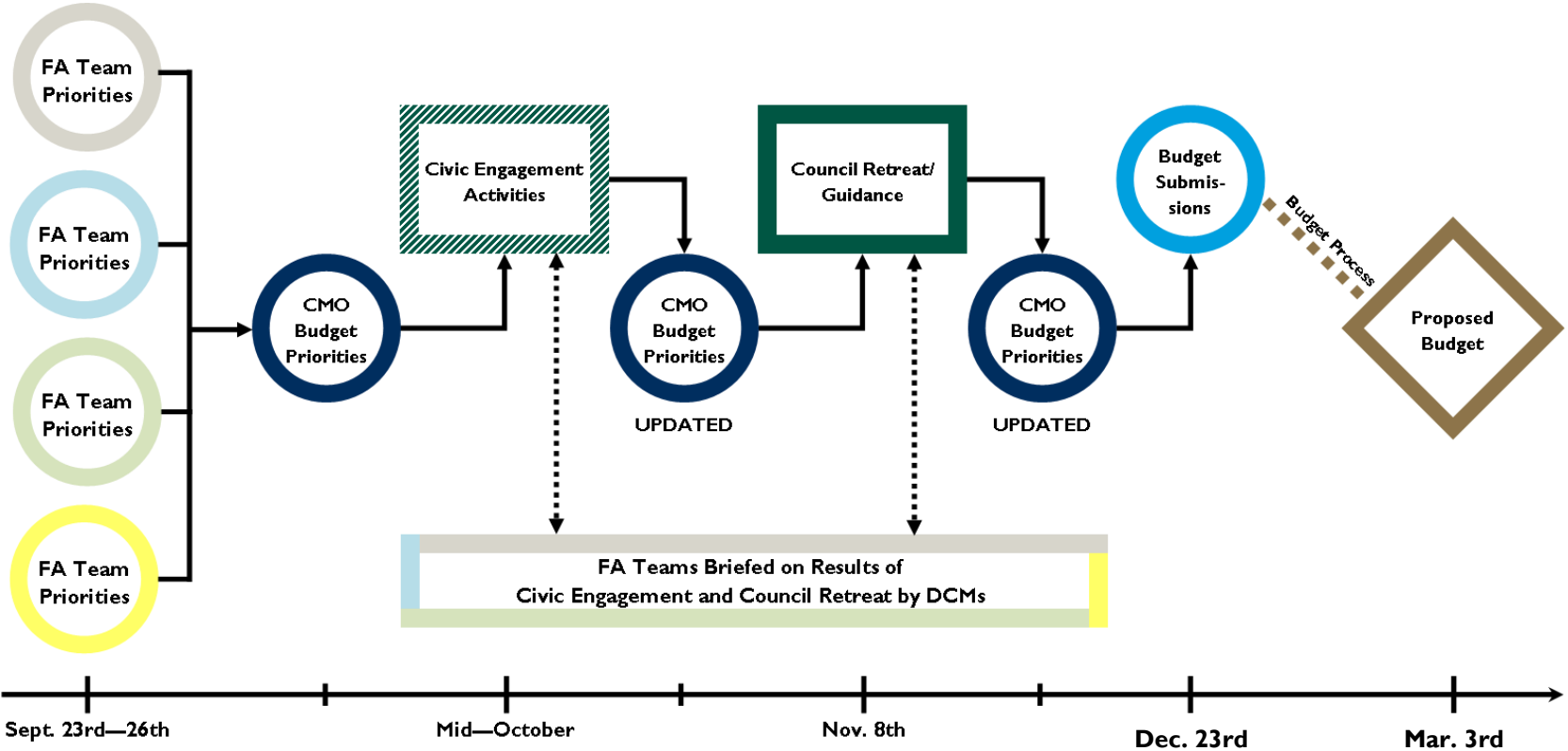
BUDGET EDUCATION 'ROAD SHOW'



PUBLIC MEETINGS ON BUDGET POLICIES & STRATEGIES

Determining Priorities

Department work plans and initiatives



SharePoint + Munis



City Council's Guidance for FY 2016 Budget

Highlights:

- May include changes to **tax rates and fees**
- Transfer to **ACPS** should equal amount approved for FY 2015
 - Barring student enrollment or expense changes resulting from cost savings
- **Economic growth**-Oriented Tax Policy Changes
 - Business tax rate changes and administrative/procedural changes
- Maintain/increase **cash capital** commitment approved in FY 2015-2024 CIP
 - Barring superseding Council action
- Should include **employee compensation** that recognizes strong performance
 - Five Year Financial plan should include strategy for City to achieve and maintain pay competitiveness
- Disposition of City **surplus property** for social service needs



City Manager's FY 2016 Priorities

- Diversification and Expansion of the City's Tax Base
- Sustained Citizen Health and Social Equity
- Educational Achievement
- Public Safety Response
- Recruitment and Retention of Employees



Questions/Comments

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PUBLIC SURVEY

Keep an eye out for future civic engagement events/topics by visiting What's Next Alexandria:

www.alexandriava.gov/WhatsNext