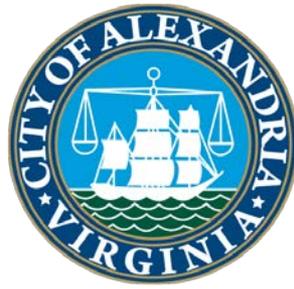


# **Alexandria City Academy**

**Session 4**

**April 2, 2015**



# Finance Department

**Kendel Taylor**

**Acting Director of Finance**



# Who We Are

- Revenue
- Treasury
- Procurement
- Risk Management
- Pension
- Accounting
- Real Estate Assessments

# What We Do

- Revenue
  - assessment
  - collection
  - enforcement and audit
  - outreach, compliance and assistance
- Ensure that everyone is assessed fairly
- Ensure that everyone is treated equitably



# What We Do

- Treasury
  - Accepts payments
  - Maintains our cash management and investment policies
  - Protects your investment in the City with safe and wise investments of City revenues
  - Maximize the return on investment, while minimize the risk of your hard-earned money
  - Manages cash flow



# What We Do

- Purchasing
  - Procures goods and services needed to operate the government
  - Ensures a fair and competitive process for doing business with the City
  - Support the operations in an efficient and cost effective manner
  - Ensure that you, the business owner, have as much opportunity to do business with the City as any other business



# What We Do

- Risk Management
  - Are City employees operating in a safe environment?
  - Are we protecting our assets (your investments) through preventative maintenance?
  - Are we minimizing our risks to person and property?
  - Are we insuring our properties appropriately?
  - Educating our employees of the importance of Life After Work!



# What We Do

- Pension
  - Ensuring that our employees are treated fairly when they are done working for the City
  - Balanced with fair treatment of our taxpayers
  - Achieved through sharing of the costs of an adequately funded pension that is fair
  - Managing our investments wisely to minimize risk and cost
  - Counseling employees on options and financial responsibilities



# What We Do

- Accounting
  - Timely and accurate payment of vendors and employees
  - Financial reporting to educate investors, City Council and the public of our sound financial management
  - Independent auditor to ensure that internal controls are in place to protect all of our investors



# Why This Matters

- Fairness and Equity
- Customer Service
- Competition

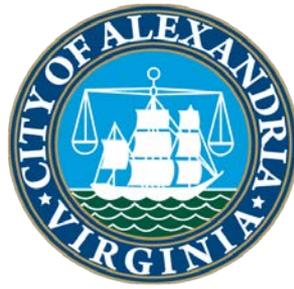
Every citizen, every business, every car owner interacts with the Finance Department

We have a responsibility and an opportunity to ensure that this experience is a positive one!



# Equity and Fairness

- Equitable treatment of residents and business owners
- Keep a balance between residential and commercial properties
- Both use the roads, the sewers and the police
- Maintain a city that is a balance between places to live, work, eat, do business
- Share the cost of building schools, roads and providing public safety



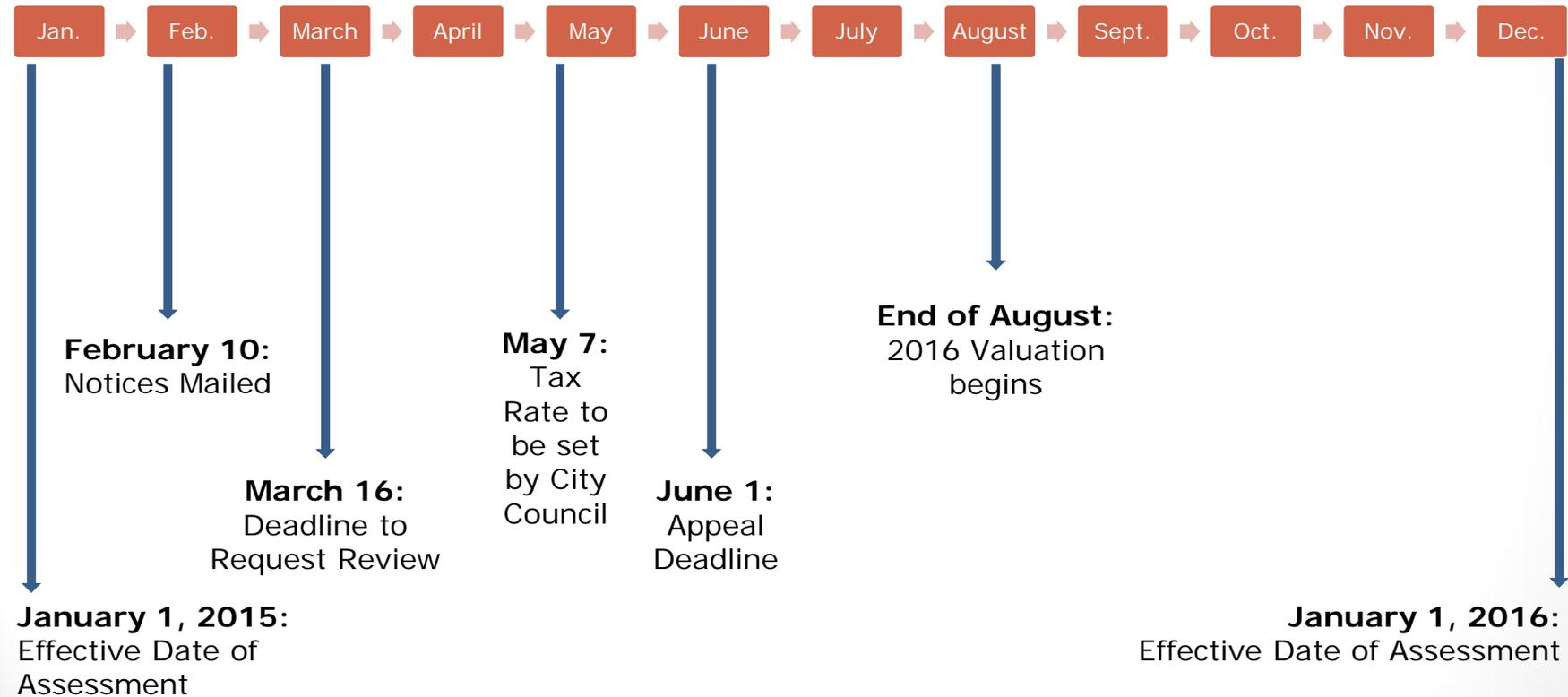
# **CY 2015 Real Estate Assessments**

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Senior Appraiser

**Jeffrey Bandy**  
Appraiser Supervisor

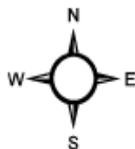
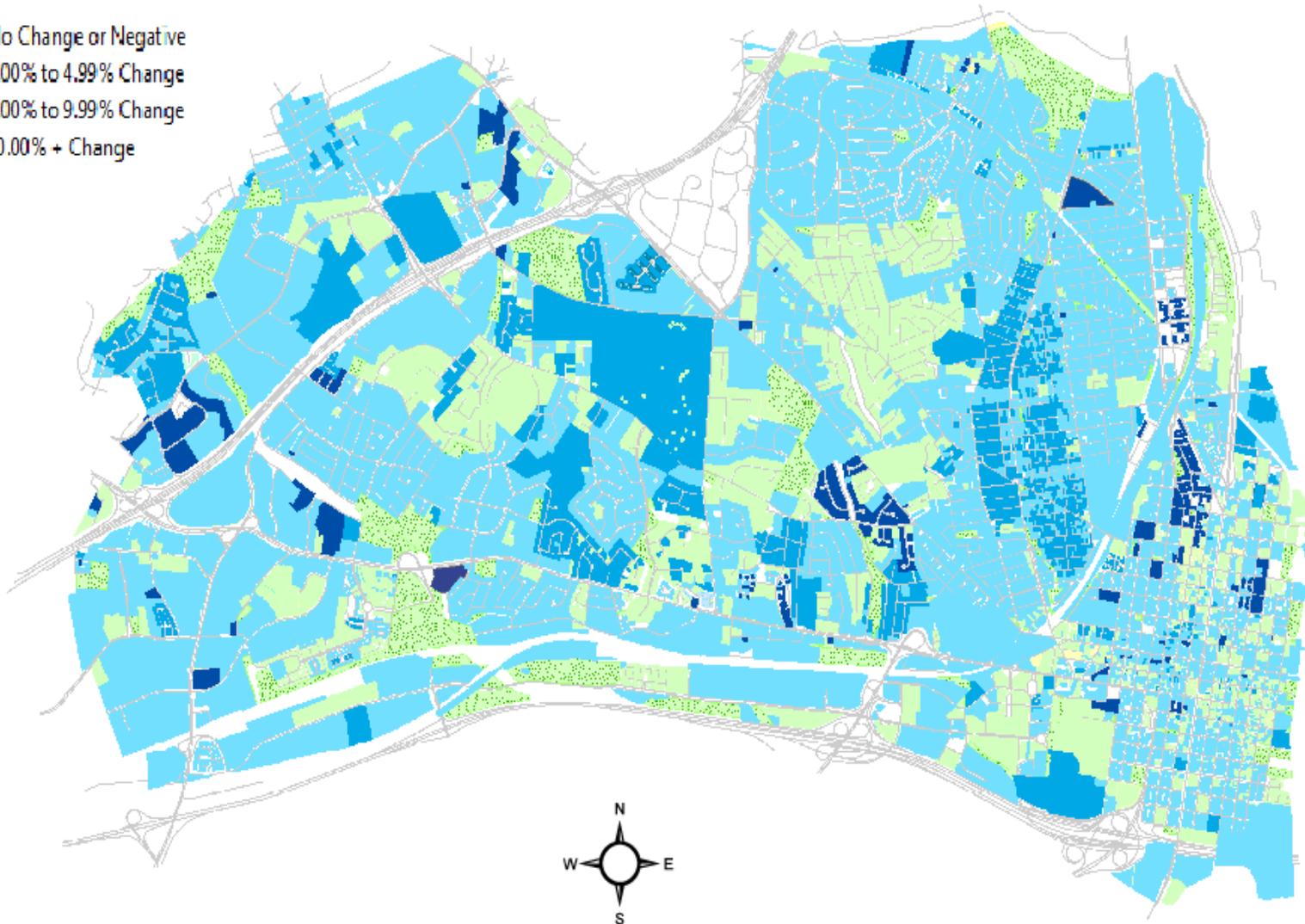


# 2015 Assessment Calendar

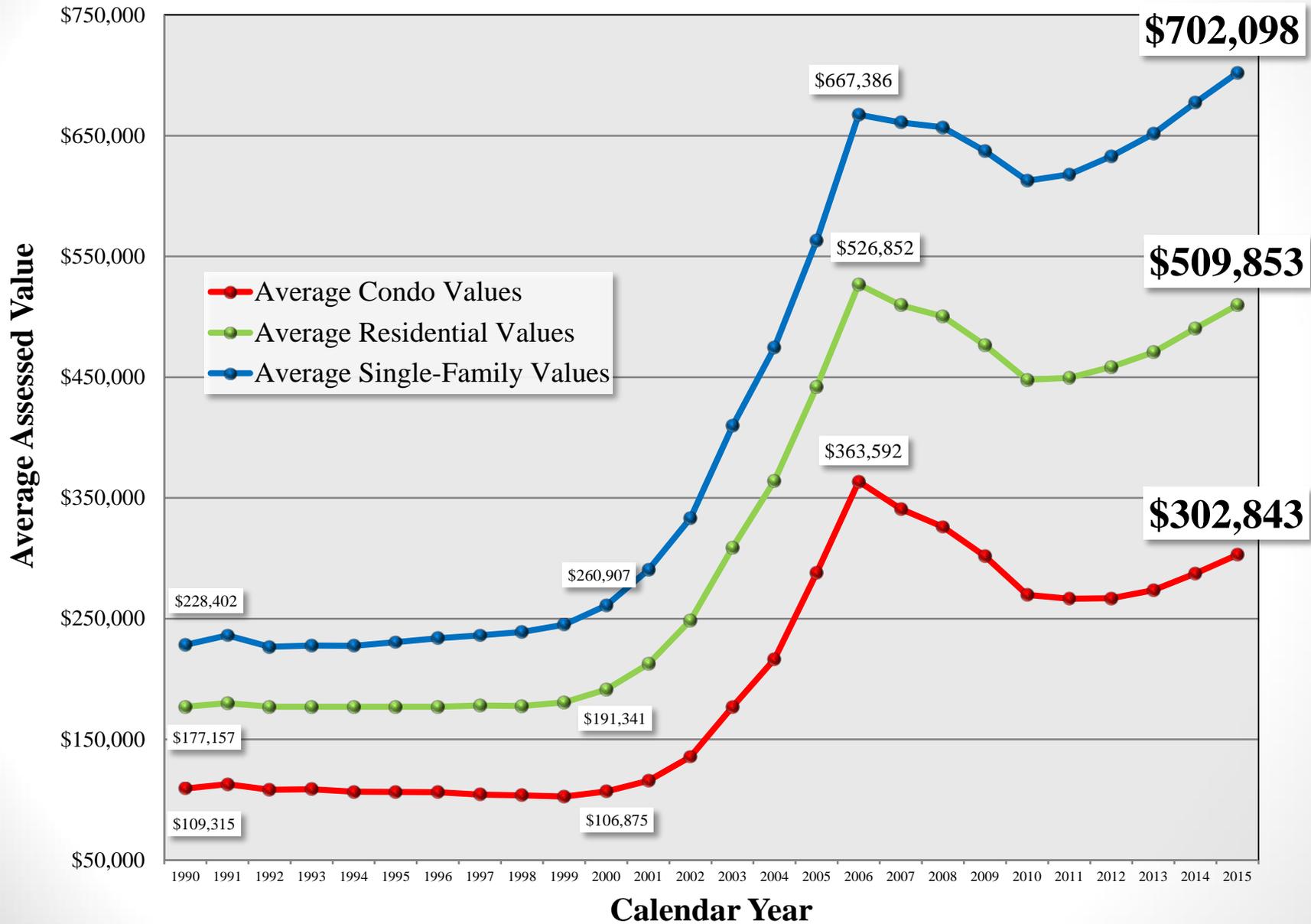


# Property Value by Percent Change

- No Change or Negative
- 1.00% to 4.99% Change
- 5.00% to 9.99% Change
- 10.00% + Change



# Average Residential Assessed Value 1990-2015





# Number of Reviews

(by parcel as of August 12, 2014)

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
638	331	290	382	434	460

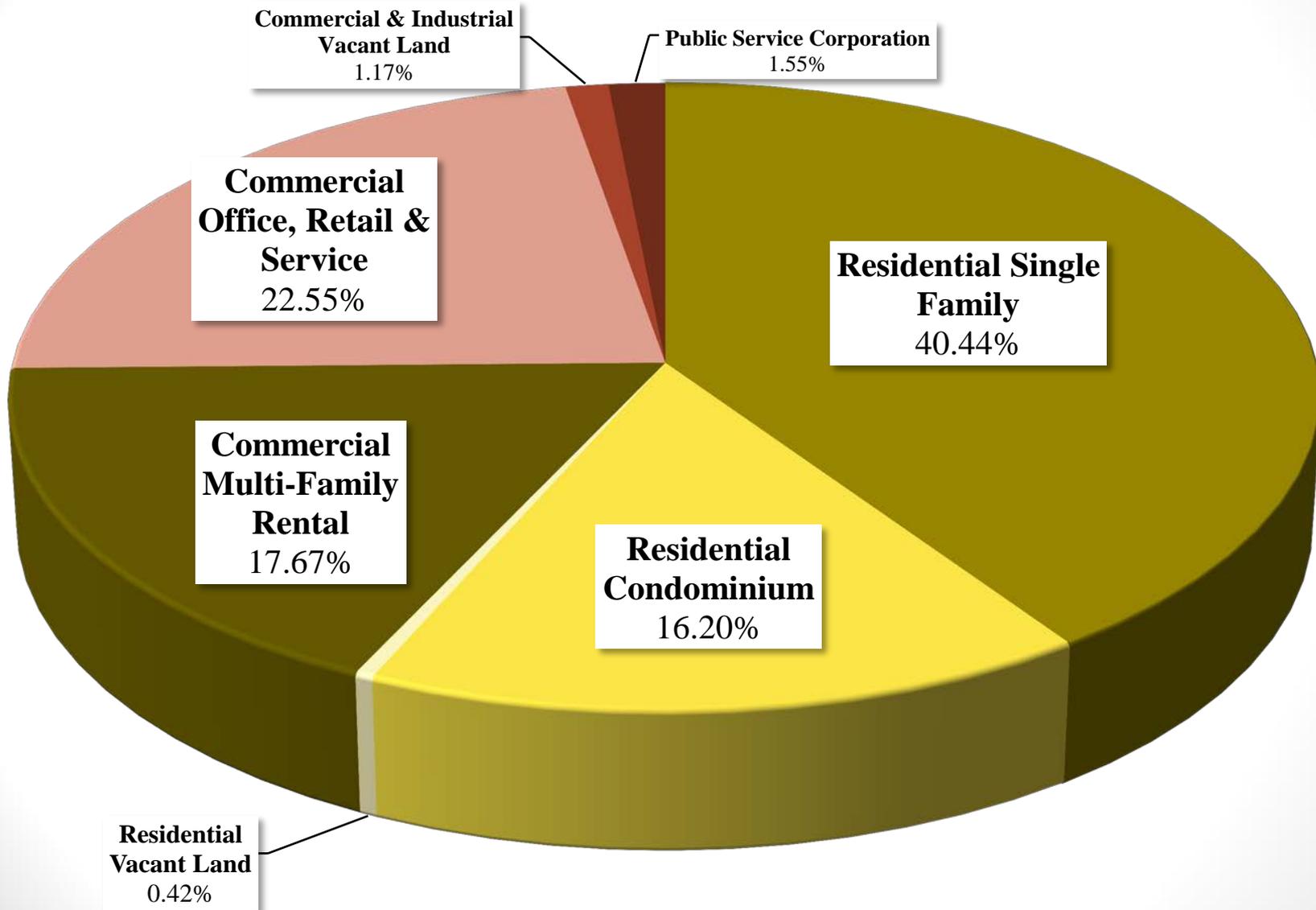
# Number of Appeals

(by case as of December 31, 2014)

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
307	116	105	119	126	121



# CY 2015 Real Estate Tax Base





# CITY OF ALEXANDRIA

DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS  
301 KING STREET, CITY HALL, ROOM 2600  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314



## NOTICE OF 2015 REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT THIS IS NOT YOUR TAX BILL

WEBSITE: [alexandriava.gov/RealEstate](http://alexandriava.gov/RealEstate)

### ASSESSMENT

INFORMATION: 703.746.4646

### REAL ESTATE TAX

INFORMATION: 703.746.3902 Option 8

### REVIEW & APPEAL FORMS:

[alexandriava.gov/RealEstate](http://alexandriava.gov/RealEstate)

or call 703.746.4180 to request forms.

NAME OF  
OWNER  
GUARDIAN  
OR  
TRUSTEE

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311-1513

### NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT CHANGE

	2015 ASSESSED VALUE	2014 ASSESSED VALUE	2013 ASSESSED VALUE	MAP NO.	BLOCK	LOT	ACCOUNT NUMBER
LAND	\$236,674	\$229,781	\$213,750	0 03	0	13	000
IMPS	\$231,054	\$224,127	\$205,222	LAND AREA			STUDY GROUP
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$467,728</b>	<b>\$453,908</b>	<b>\$418,972</b>	8,001			0120
TAX RATE	TBD	1.043	1.038	PROPERTY ADDRESS			
TAX LEVY	TBD	4,734.26	4,348.93				
% CHANGE	TBD	8.86 %	8.71 %				

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LOT 13 BLK 1 SEC 1

### CLASSIFICATION OF 2015 REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

	LAND	BUILDING	TOTAL
RESIDENTIAL USE	\$236,674	\$231,054	\$467,728
COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL USE	N/A	N/A	N/A
2015 Total Assessment	\$236,674	\$231,054	\$467,728



## Real Estate Assessments

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Each year, the **Office of Real Estate Assessments** appraises each parcel of real estate in the City to assess its estimated fair market value. These values are used by the Department of Finance to bill for and collect the real estate tax, which accounts for 58 percent of the City's annual revenue.

### Popular Links

- [Search Property & Sales Data](#)
- [Sample 2015 Notice of Assessment \(Spanish Translation\)](#)
- [2015 Assessment Insert \(Spanish Translation\)](#)
- [GIS Parcel Viewer](#)
- [View Parcel Maps](#)
- [Potomac Yard Special Tax District](#)

### Neighboring Jurisdictions

- [Fairfax County Real Estate Assessment Information Site](#)
- [Arlington County Real Estate Assessments](#)

### Important Dates in 2015

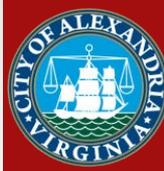
January 1	Effective date of assessments
February 10	Assessment notices mailed to property owners
February 10	2015 Real Property Assessment Information presented to City Council
March 3	City Manager presents proposed FY 2015 Budget to City Council
March 16	Deadline to request <a href="#">Review</a> of January assessment
March 16	<a href="#">Budget Public Hearing</a>
April 15	Deadline to <a href="#">request tax relief for the elderly and disabled</a>
April 21	<a href="#">Public Hearing on Tax Rates</a>
May 1	Deadline for filing 2014 Income and Expense Surveys
May 7	City Council set <a href="#">real estate tax</a>
Early May	<a href="#">Real estate tax</a> bills mailed to owners
June 1	Deadline to request Appeal of January assessment
June 15	Deadline to pay first half of real estate tax due, regardless of review or appeal
November 15	Deadline to pay second half of real estate tax due

### QUICK LINKS

- ▶ [About the Office of Real Estate Assessments](#)
- ▶ [Assessment Overview](#)
- ▶ [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- ▶ [Real Estate Assessment Review and Appeal Process](#)
- ▶ [Appeals - Rules and Procedures for Hearing](#)
- ▶ [Letters of Authorization](#)
- ▶ [Income & Expense Survey](#)
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### HOW DO I...

- Find neighborhood parks?
- Start a small business?
- Learn about new development?
- Pay my taxes or parking citation?
- Report fraud, waste and abuse?
- Speak at a City Council meeting?
- Apply for a marriage license?
- Find information for retired City employees?
- Get information about permits?
- Search property and sales data?
- Find visitor information?
- Find volunteer opportunities?



- Welcome and Help
- Search by Property Address
- Search by Account Number
- Search by Map Number

### Real Estate Assessment Search - Welcome and Help

This site provides assessed values and other real estate assessment information from the official assessment records for all properties in the City of Alexandria.

1. To begin your search, click on one of the tabs above and follow the instructions.
2. When your results appear, click one of the following buttons:

- Property Details

View ownership, sales, and assessment information for the property.
- Primary Sales Comparables

**CY 2014 Sales Used For Assessment** are residential property sales listed by Study Group (neighborhood) that occurred during the year preceding the January 1 assessment and were likely considered by staff appraisers in determining the January 1 assessed value. These are available during review and appeal periods. In addition to foregoing, **CY 2014 Sales From Comparable Study Groups** are also included for most Study Groups. This table details sales that were not used as primary comparables, but were considered, and provide additional market information and support to the valuation. Calendar year 2014 and 2013 sales are displayed for most commercial property types. **CY 2014 Sales From Comparable Study Groups** are not provided for commercial property. Commercial property owners in need of additional information should visit the Office of Real Estate Assessments.
- Recent Sales & Other Transactions

View all sales activity for CY 2015 (January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014) or recent sales from January 1, 2015 to the present in the same Study Group as the property being viewed. Sales of commercial property are presented on a city-wide basis. Commercial property owners in need of additional information should visit the Office of Real Estate Assessments.
- Tax History & Payments

View current and prior year payments and delinquencies on real estate tax, refuse fees, penalties and interest, and to make payments.
- Explore in Parcel Viewer

Go to the Geographic Information System (GIS), to view parcel maps, aerial photography, zoning, and other geographic information.
- See a Quick Street Map

View a simple interactive map/aerial view of this parcel.

#### About This Information

Under [Virginia law](#), these records are public information. Display of this information on the Internet is [specifically authorized](#).

Assessments reflect the most current information available in the Office of Real Estate Assessments as of Friday each week. Tax information reflects the most current information available in the Department of Finance as of each business day. Sales data compiled from the Clerk of Circuit Court may not be available on this site for approximately 30 days after recordation. Please refer to the [Assessment Data Updates](#) page for more information.

If you believe that any data provided are inaccurate or if you have any questions about the data, we would like to hear from you. Please send feedback about tax information by email to the [Department of Finance](#) or call at 703.746.3902, or send feedback about assessment information by e-mail to the [Office of Real Estate Assessments](#) or call at 703.746.4646.





## Sales Used For Assessment Of E LINDEN ST (Study Group 1015)

Returned 25 results.

Sales from a property's Study Group were considered as the primary source used to determine current assessments; however, **other sales may have been considered** when valuing property if there were no sales available or the sales sample was limited. When sales outside of the primary Study Group were used for assessment, the criteria used for their selection included, among others, geographical proximity, property type (single-family vs. townhouse, e.g.), and price range. Please call the Office of Real Estate Assessments if you would like additional information about the sales used for your assessment.

Click column name to sort by that column.

<a href="#">Property Address</a>	<a href="#">Map-Block-Lot</a>	<a href="#">Building SQFT</a>	<a href="#">2015 Assessment</a>	<a href="#">Sale Date</a>	<a href="#">Sale Code</a>	<a href="#">Sale Price</a>	<a href="#">Study Group</a>
<a href="#">25 E MAPLE ST</a>	053.04-13-06	2953	\$1,108,282	08/07/2014	A	\$1,305,000	1015
<a href="#">21 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-09-12	1152	\$719,999	06/13/2014	A	\$775,000	1015
<a href="#">23 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-09-13	931	\$608,350	02/28/2014	A	\$620,000	1015
<a href="#">29 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-09-16	2048	\$1,112,699	07/08/2014	A	\$1,225,000	1015
<a href="#">8 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-08-31	1185	\$649,438	07/09/2014	A	\$575,000	1015
<a href="#">103 E MAPLE ST</a>	053.04-12-02	1402	\$785,447	05/30/2014	A	\$845,000	1015
<a href="#">102 E LINDEN ST</a>	063.02-02-30	1160	\$648,210	01/31/2014	A	\$655,000	1015
<a href="#">100 E LINDEN ST</a>	063.02-02-29	2134	\$902,653	04/18/2014	A	\$930,250	1015
<a href="#">118 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-07-23	2260	\$804,448	09/16/2014	A	\$795,000	1015
<a href="#">100 E WALNUT ST</a>	053.04-07-32	1924	\$774,034	03/25/2014	A	\$777,000	1015
<a href="#">900 LITTLE ST</a>	053.02-06-12	1969	\$845,996	07/11/2014	A	\$900,000	1015
<a href="#">108 E BRADDOCK RD</a>	053.02-06-15	854	\$622,838	07/10/2014	A	\$649,500	1015
<a href="#">104 E BRADDOCK RD</a>	053.02-06-17	1202	\$667,275	11/21/2014	A	\$665,000	1015
<a href="#">808 MT VERNON AV</a>	053.02-04-06	2342	\$846,517	09/12/2014	A	\$824,900	1015
<a href="#">206 E OAK ST</a>	053.04-04-07	1722	\$856,497	07/15/2014	A	\$896,500	1015
<a href="#">1103 COMMONWEALTH AV</a>	053.01-03-01	2479	\$1,082,161	06/05/2014	A	\$985,000	1015
<a href="#">104 ADAMS AV</a>	053.02-01-03	1494	\$818,512	07/30/2014	A	\$790,000	1015
<a href="#">14 E MASONIC VIEW AV</a>	053.02-08-27	1148	\$714,693	08/27/2014	A	\$700,000	1015
<a href="#">26 E CHAPMAN ST</a>	053.04-01-12	2606	\$1,146,286	04/30/2014	A	\$1,300,000	1015
<a href="#">15 E CHAPMAN ST</a>	053.04-02-07	1250	\$653,625	04/15/2014	A	\$672,500	1015
<a href="#">18 E OAK ST</a>	053.04-02-17	1764	\$870,071	04/17/2014	A	\$905,000	1015
<a href="#">1 E MASONIC VIEW AV</a>	053.03-03-15	1008	\$610,520	03/31/2014	A	\$630,000	1015
<a href="#">1409 WAYNE ST</a>	043.04-02-01	2590	\$996,722	11/25/2014	A	\$1,050,000	1015
<a href="#">109 E ALEXANDRIA AV</a>	043.04-07-05	1584	\$734,840	02/18/2014	A	\$715,000	1015
<a href="#">117 E ALEXANDRIA AV</a>	043.04-07-09	1080	\$663,576	12/01/2014	A	\$650,000	1015



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Return to Search Results

Print View

### Sales From Comparable Study Groups E LINDEN ST (Study Group 1015)

The comparable sales displayed below were not used as primary value indicators, but were considered as additional market information in the valuation of your property. These sales are not intended to represent direct comparability, but to provide additional support to the valuation.

Click column name to sort by that column.

Property Address	Map-Block-Lot	Building SQFT	2015 Assessment	Sale Date	Sale Code	Sale Price	Study Group
<a href="#">409 E BELLEFONTE AV</a>	035.03-08-24	1760	\$758,192	11/13/2014	▲	\$839,000	1010
<a href="#">2400 TERRETT AV</a>	034.02-05-10	2058	\$865,413	03/06/2014	▲	\$830,000	1010
<a href="#">305 E OXFORD AV</a>	034.02-06-06	1188	\$706,892	02/14/2014	▲	\$690,000	1010
<a href="#">320 E DEL RAY AV</a>	035.01-01-09	1288	\$647,974	03/24/2014	▲	\$705,000	1010
<a href="#">303 E WINDSOR AV</a>	034.04-04-02	1382	\$743,691	06/04/2014	▲	\$722,000	1010
<a href="#">303 E HOWELL AV</a>	034.04-11-02	1886	\$762,609	08/20/2014	▲	\$870,000	1010
<a href="#">300 E BELLEFONTE AV</a>	034.04-11-08	1254	\$746,591	06/11/2014	▲	\$765,000	1010
<a href="#">2503 TERRETT AV</a>	024.04-05-34	2020	\$853,167	01/30/2014	▲	\$875,000	1010
<a href="#">2509 LESLIE AV</a>	025.03-01-28	1271	\$654,346	07/31/2014	▲	\$649,000	1010
<a href="#">401 E CUSTIS AV</a>	035.01-09-01	2452	\$874,579	06/23/2014	▲	\$910,000	1010
<a href="#">400 E BELLEFONTE AV</a>	035.03-05-25	2894	\$1,040,042	11/25/2014	▲	\$1,100,000	1010
<a href="#">331 ASHBY ST</a>	016.03-09-09	1092	\$498,210	04/24/2014	▲	\$425,000	1010
<a href="#">208 CLIFFORD AV</a>	024.02-04-24	1277	\$603,253	10/24/2014	▲	\$675,000	1010
<a href="#">400 CLIFFORD AV</a>	025.01-01-61	756	\$539,725	07/31/2014	▲	\$560,000	1010
<a href="#">207 CLIFFORD AV</a>	024.02-08-03	1998	\$813,025	05/30/2014	▲	\$905,000	1010
<a href="#">405 CLIFFORD AV</a>	025.01-02-12	1362	\$606,501	12/16/2014	▲	\$610,000	1010
<a href="#">114 E RAYMOND AV</a>	024.02-09-26	1064	\$592,782	04/30/2014	▲	\$610,000	1010
<a href="#">117 E RAYMOND AV</a>	024.04-03-13	2361	\$1,137,354	11/13/2014	▲	\$1,200,000	1010
<a href="#">321 E RAYMOND AV</a>	025.01-04-13	1542	\$833,475	04/04/2014	▲	\$775,000	1010
<a href="#">2603 TERRETT AV</a>	024.04-04-40	1316	\$709,735	03/20/2014	▲	\$725,000	1010
<a href="#">203 E MASON AV</a>	043.02-06-06	1782	\$809,678	06/16/2014	▲	\$850,000	1013
<a href="#">226 E MONROE AV</a>	043.02-05-14	1471	\$655,899	05/16/2014	▲	\$650,000	1013
<a href="#">224 E MONROE AV</a>	043.02-05-15	768	\$556,360	12/22/2014	▲	\$512,185	1013
<a href="#">213 E MONROE AV</a>	043.02-08-07	800	\$547,875	09/05/2014	▲	\$560,000	1013
<a href="#">1501 WAYNE ST</a>	043.02-08-16	1286	\$567,630	03/06/2014	▲	\$538,500	1010
<a href="#">1 E OXFORD AV</a>	034.01-07-12	1570	\$948,719	04/14/2014	▲	\$980,000	1013
<a href="#">24 E WINDSOR AV</a>	034.04-01-11	2776	\$1,317,978	12/17/2014	▲	\$1,340,000	1013
<a href="#">20 E WINDSOR AV</a>	034.04-01-13	1856	\$729,630	10/28/2014	▲	\$755,000	1013
<a href="#">1905 COMMONWEALTH AV</a>	034.03-09-14	1812	\$812,723	07/08/2014	▲	\$810,000	1013
<a href="#">11 LEADBEATER ST</a>	015.04-03-16	1344	\$723,229	11/21/2014	▲	\$720,000	1010
<a href="#">3806 ELBERT AV</a>	007.03-06-51	2072	\$655,744	03/14/2014	▲	\$699,000	1010
<a href="#">3815 ELBERT AV</a>	007.03-06-20	864	\$559,844	05/23/2014	▲	\$607,000	1010
<a href="#">29 E HOWELL AV</a>	034.04-08-19	1080	\$705,525	02/28/2014	▲	\$730,000	1013
<a href="#">105 E HOWELL AV</a>	034.04-09-03	1848	\$612,750	10/23/2014	▲	\$695,000	1013
<a href="#">212 E GLEBE RD</a>	016.03-07-50	1267	\$536,415	06/28/2014	▲	\$608,000	1010



## SALES CODES

### VERIFIED - valid sales

- A no disqualifying circumstances
- B purchased by adjacent owner
- C actual consideration differs from deed
- E while related partnership, sale/lease back, etc. - independent appraisal was prepared for value consideration
- F pending verification
- G multi-lot sale
- H land sale
- I condominium sale where the number of parking spaces sold is different than number assessed
- LK like kind exchange

### VERIFIED - invalid sale

- J to relative or related business
- K buyer was tenant under lease agreement
- L exchange of properties
- M foreclosure
- MB financial institution or deed in lieu of foreclosure
- MS short sale
- N divorce decree or duress
- O seller assisted financing is major influence
- OC City-assisted financing - affordable
- P will transferring property - no consideration
- Q miscellaneous (does not fit definition in any other category)
- R re-recorded deed

### VERIFIED - invalid sale for sales ratio study

- S multi-lot sale or assemblage
- T subdivision of original parcel
- U adjacent property owner is purchaser
- V alteration/addition/renovation, or other change in physical condition since last assessed
- W reserved for future use

### UNABLE TO VERIFY

- X three efforts made to contact buyer, seller or agent
- Y buyer, seller and agent refused to respond
- Z easements/agreements



# Questions?

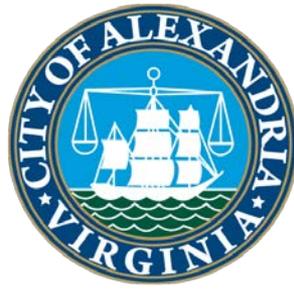
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# Office of Management & Budget

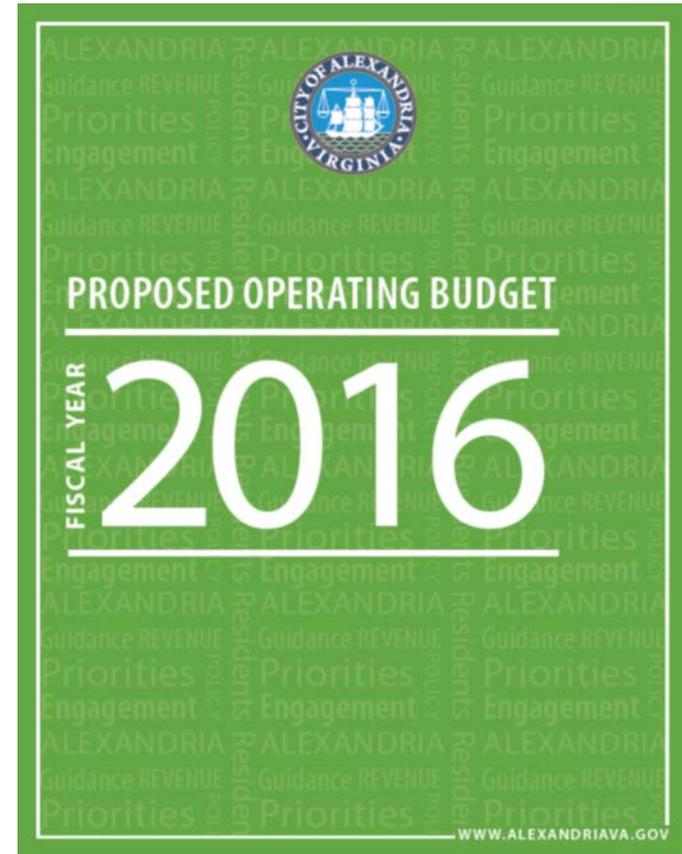
**Nelsie L. Birch, Director**

**Arthur Wicks, Results Coordinator**

# What is the City budget?



- Documentation of the ***financial, policy, and service decisions*** that City Council has authorized for the fiscal year.
- Contains some of the best sources of information on ***city governmental programs and key financial information*** for policy makers, managers, and residents.





# What's in a Budget?

- Government revenues come from dozens of sources
- Revenues are distributed to hundreds of programs
- A budget describes the flow of funds from revenue sources to programs
  - Where revenue comes from
  - How funds are distributed across departments and programs
- Not just numbers, reflects the goals and priorities of the City

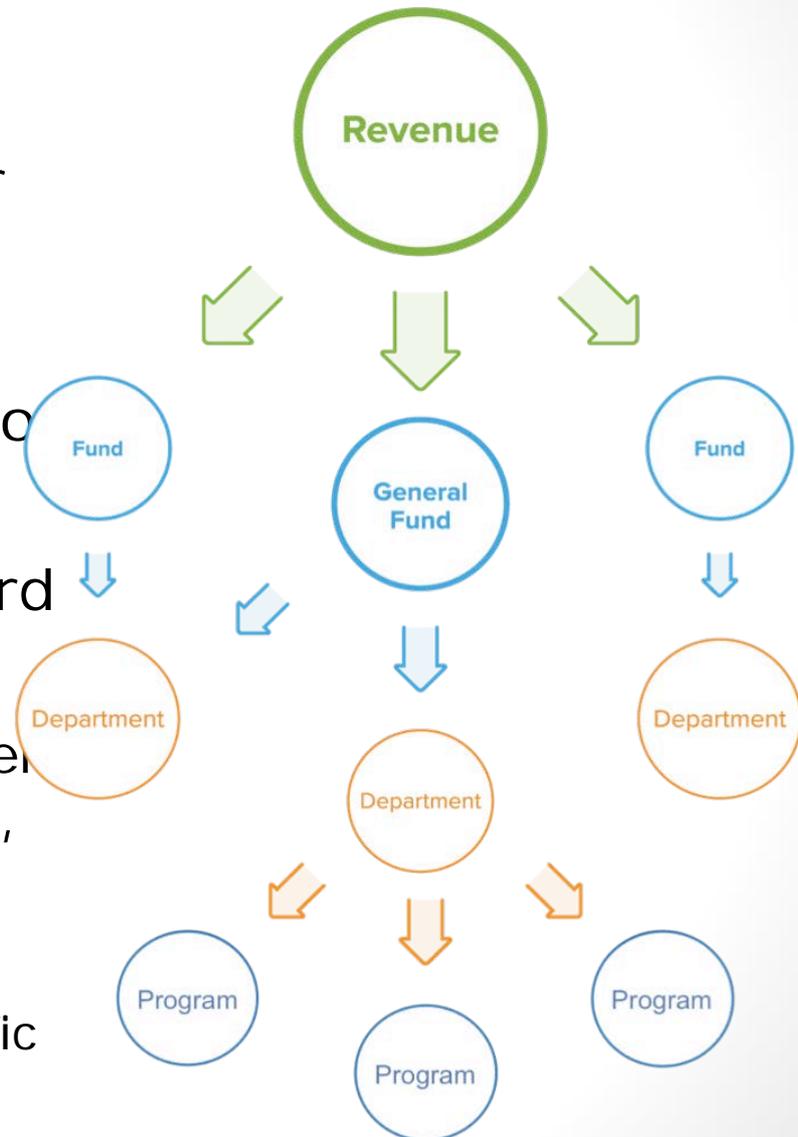


# Why Budget?

- Government finance:
  - Maximize services for residents and minimize taxes & fees
  - Maximize non-general fund resources to provide services
- City government required by charter to adopt and close each year with a balanced budget
- Serves as the documentation of projected revenues and how to spend those revenues so the end of the fiscal year results in a balanced budget

# General Fund

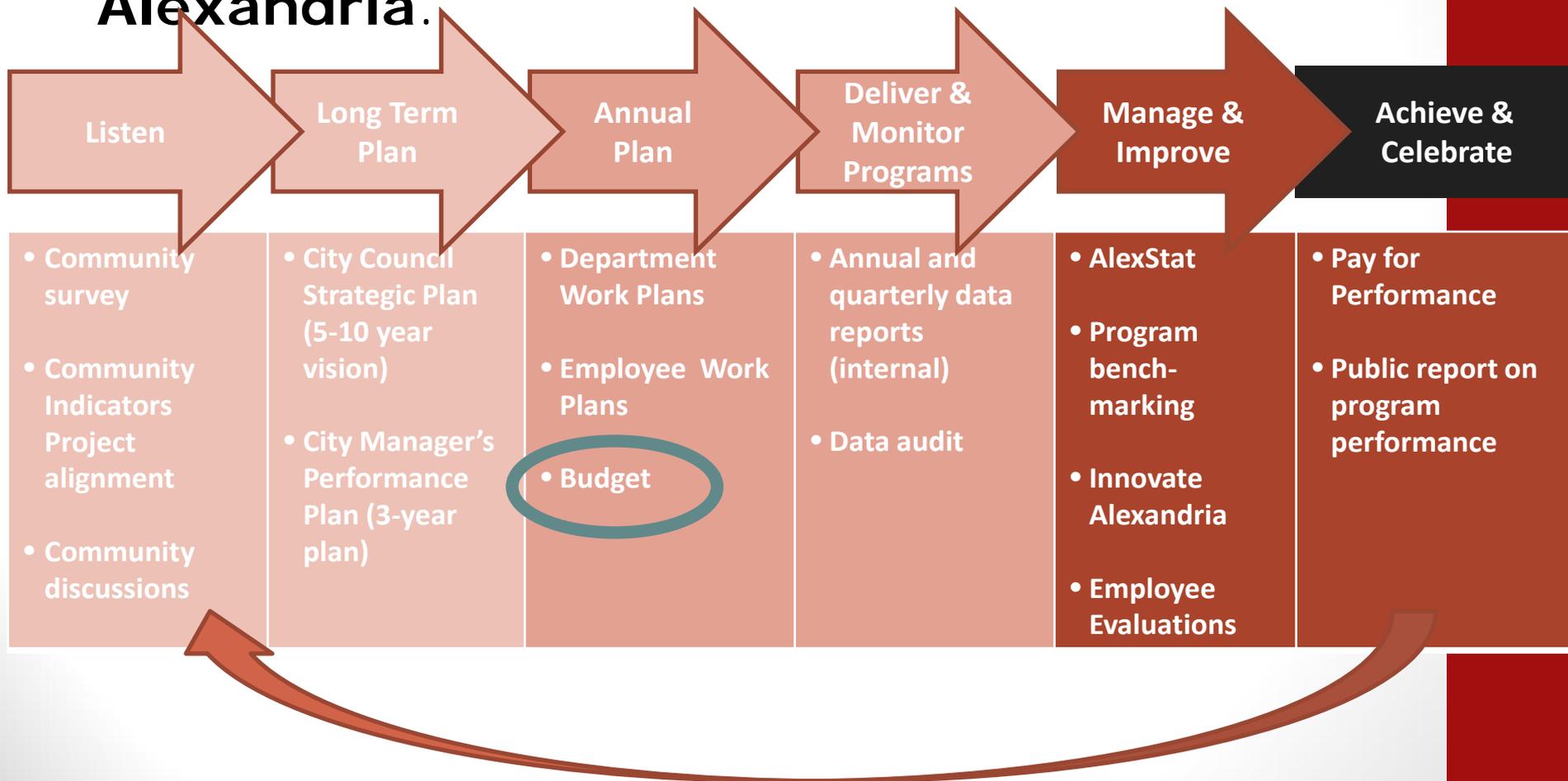
- Primary operating fund for the City
- Distributed to multiple departments for a variety of needs
- Other funds directed toward specific purposes
  - e.g., Sewer and Stormwater Funds, Potomac Yard Fund, Housing Fund, state and federal grants
    - Legally restricted to specific activities or programs





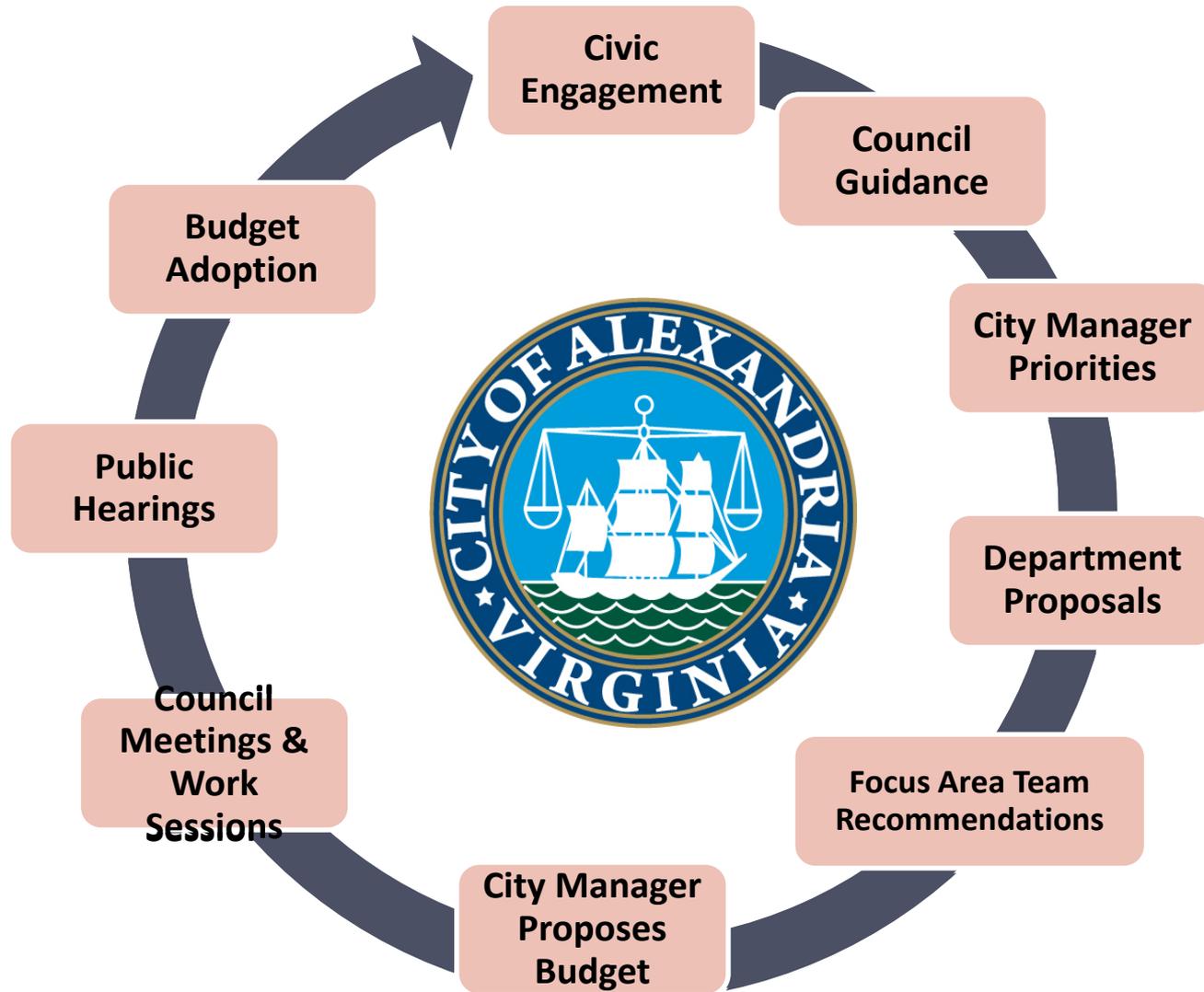
# How do we budget?

Developing the budget is a key component of the City's performance management system, **Results Alexandria.**





# Budget Development Cycle





# FY 2016 Civic Engagement

- City pursued an enhanced Civic Engagement strategy for FY 2016 Budget Process.  
Activities included:
  - Budget Outcomes Prioritization Survey
  - Boards, Commissions and Committee Chairs Meeting
  - Focus Area Program Prioritization Meetings
- Activities included 650 online responses and 150 unique participants in public meetings



# FY 2016 Civic Engagement

Event	Description	Date(s)	What did it influence or inform?
Budget Outcomes Prioritization Survey	Online survey, where participants prioritized the City's Long Term Outcome and where the City should invest resources and focus to achieve outcomes	October 15, 2014 – November 5, 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· City Council Budget Guidance</li> </ul>
Boards, Commissions and Committee Chairs Meeting	Chairs (or designees) of the City's boards, commissions and committees were invited to a facilitated discussion of the City's Long Term Outcomes, where the City should prioritize resources and what actions can be taken to balance the budget	November 3, 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· City Manager's Identified Budget Priorities</li> <li>· Future Civic Engagement Efforts</li> </ul>
Focus Area Program Prioritization Meetings	Residents were invited to attend three facilitated meetings to discuss (by Focus Area) the programs and services that are most important for achieving the City's Long Term Outcomes	Safe, Secure & Just Community January 26, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· City Manager's Proposed Budget</li> <li>· Department Workplans (Follow-up items for further analysis)</li> </ul>
		Livable, Green & Prospering City February 5, 2015	
		Healthy & Thriving Residents February 9, 2015	

# Outcome Prioritization Results



Budget Outcomes Prioritization Survey October 15—November 5, 2014		Boards, Commissions and Committee Chairs Meeting November 3, 2014	
HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
City government is fiscally strong.	The City's most vulnerable residents achieve self-sufficiency and experience a meaningful quality of life.	City government is fiscally strong.	Residents enjoy high quality leisure time.
City government is accountable to the community.	The City enjoys a healthy environment that can be enjoyed by all residents.	City government is accountable to the community.	Neighborhoods are amenity-rich
Ensure the educational and developmental attainment of all residents.	All community members are treated justly and protected under the law.	People and property are protected from fire, emergencies, and natural or manmade disasters.	Neighborhoods are inclusive and diverse
All children and youth thrive and succeed.	Neighborhoods are amenity-rich.	The City's most vulnerable residents achieve self-sufficiency and experience a meaningful quality of life.	The City experiences a low rate of crime.
The City experiences a low rate of crime.	Neighborhoods are inclusive and diverse	Ensure the educational and developmental attainment of all residents.	Improve City residents' overall health and eliminate health disparities.
People and property are protected from fire, emergencies, and natural or manmade disasters.	Residents enjoy high quality leisure time.	Improve the health and well-being of the City's most vulnerable residents.	

# Focus Area Program Prioritization



<b>Safe, Secure &amp; Just Community</b>	<b>Livable &amp; Green City</b>	<b>Healthy &amp; Thriving Residents</b>
Peumansend Creek Regional Jail Alexandria Law Library City Supplements to State Employees Fire Department Closings Public Safety Compensation	Economic Development Business License Tax Multi-Modal Transportation Affordable Housing	Children & Youth Master Plan Inova Hospital City vs. Non-Profit Provided Services

Subjects discussed in FY 2016 Proposed Budget Document



# **FY 2016 Proposed Budget**



# Alexandria Economic Challenges

- Number of jobs lost in the recessions has not been fully recovered
- Largest increase in private sector jobs since 2010 is in the lowest paying category (food service and accommodation)
- Office Vacancy Rate = 16.5% (4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2014)
- Resulting in ~ \$93M less money fueling our local economy
- Impact of federal cutbacks results in ~\$15.7B less money fueling our regional economy

# Identified Budget Priorities



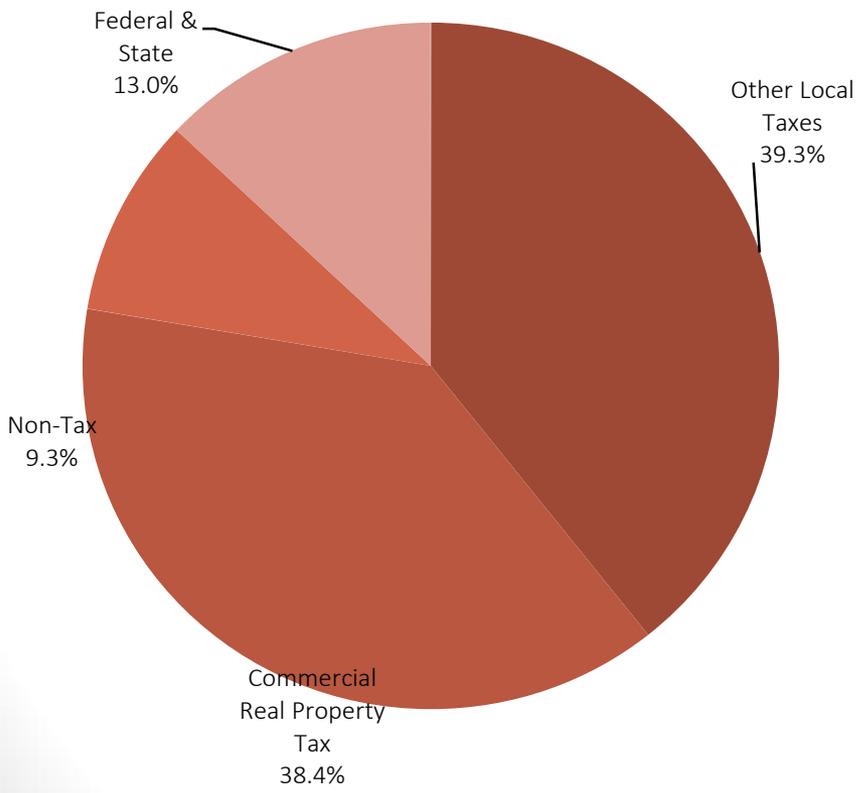
DIVERSIFICATION/ EXPANSION OF CITY'S TAX BASE	SUSTAINED CITIZEN HEALTH AND SOCIAL EQUITY	EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT	PUBLIC SAFETY RESPONSE	RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST TALENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waterfront parks and flood mitigation</li> <li>• Potomac Yard Metrorail Station</li> <li>• Increased business recruitment and retention</li> <li>• Expanded veterans' business center</li> <li>• New Code permitting system</li> <li>• Storm and sanitary system improvements</li> <li>• WMATA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintains commitment to Fund for Human Services</li> <li>• Maintains programs for seniors</li> <li>• Maintains funding for social safety net</li> <li>• Maintains affordable housing investments to meet City goals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$6.0M, or 3.1%, additional investment for ACPS operating budget, represents 55% of General Fund revenue growth</li> <li>• \$297M over 10 years in ACPS physical infrastructure investment; \$44.3M for FY 16</li> <li>• \$125K for Children &amp; Youth Master Plan implementation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniformed public safety positions maintained</li> <li>• All fire stations to remain open</li> <li>• Using new Computer Aided Dispatching System: undergoing Fire location/dispatching study</li> <li>• Advancing dual-role Firefighter/Medic</li> <li>• Police compensation adjustments</li> <li>• Additional Fire career ladders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making pay adjustments where necessary and strategic                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Police pay</li> <li>• Courts pay (District Court and Juvenile Domestic Relations Court)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Merit Increases, Avg. 2.9% growth</li> <li>• Commitment to affordable healthcare options for employees</li> <li>• Workplace improvements (current and future): Space planning &amp; teleworking</li> </ul>

# Proposed FY 2016 Budget

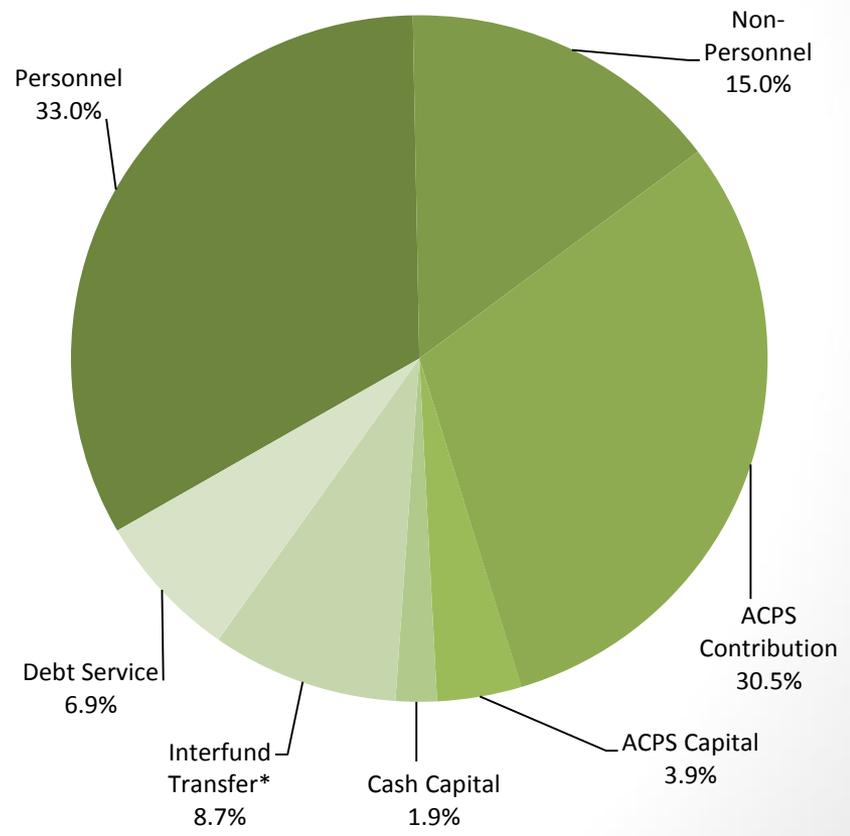
General Fund (\$647.9M)



## REVENUE OVERVIEW



## EXPENDITURE OVERVIEW



\*Includes transfer to DASH; Library; DCHS Transfer to Special Revenue Fund; and other miscellaneous transfers

# FOCUS AREAS



City Attorney  
 City Clerk and Clerk of Council  
 City Council  
 City Manager  
 Communications/Public Information  
 Finance  
 General Services  
 Human Resources  
 Information Technology Services  
 Internal Audit  
 Performance and Accountability  
 Non-Departmental  
 Management and Budget  
 Registrar of Voters

**ACCOUNTABLE, EFFECTIVE  
& WELL-MANAGED GOVERNMENT**

Community and Human Services  
 Health  
 Other Health Activities  
 Library  
 Recreation and Cultural Activities (RPCA)  
 Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS)

**HEALTHY & THRIVING RESIDENTS**

**LIVABLE, GREEN & PROSPERING CITY**

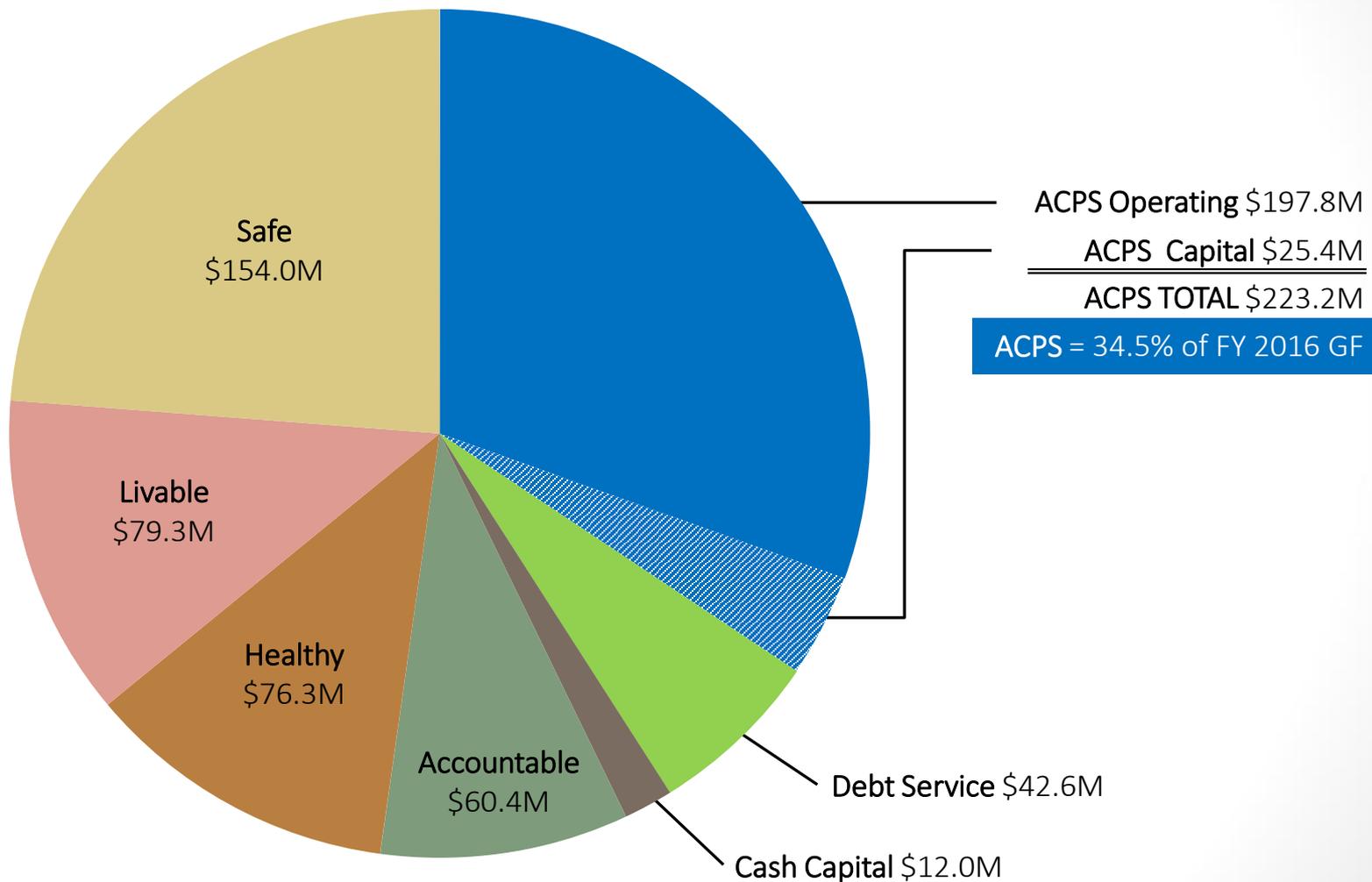
Code Administration  
 Economic Development  
 Housing  
 Historic Alexandria  
 Planning & Zoning  
 Project Implementation  
 Parks (RPCA)  
 Transportation/Environmental Services  
 Transit Subsidies

**SAFE, SECURE & JUST COMMUNITY**

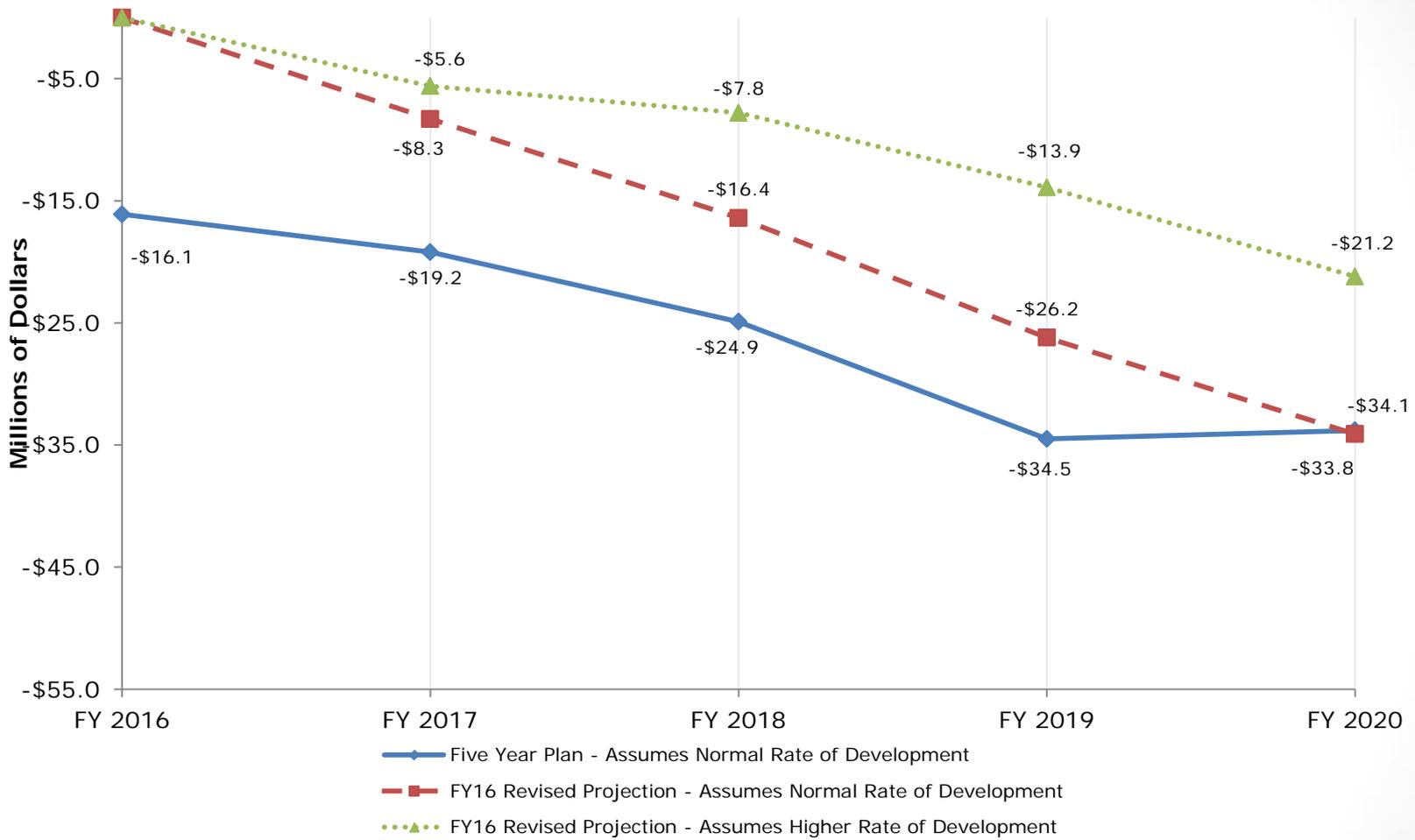
18th Circuit Court  
 18th General District Court  
 Clerk of Circuit Court  
 Commonwealth's Attorney  
 Court Services Unit  
 Emergency Communications  
 Fire  
 Human Rights  
 Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court  
 Other Public Safety and Justice Programs  
 Police  
 Sheriff

# FY 2016 Proposed Budget by Focus Area

General Fund \$647.9M



# Five-Year Financial Plan





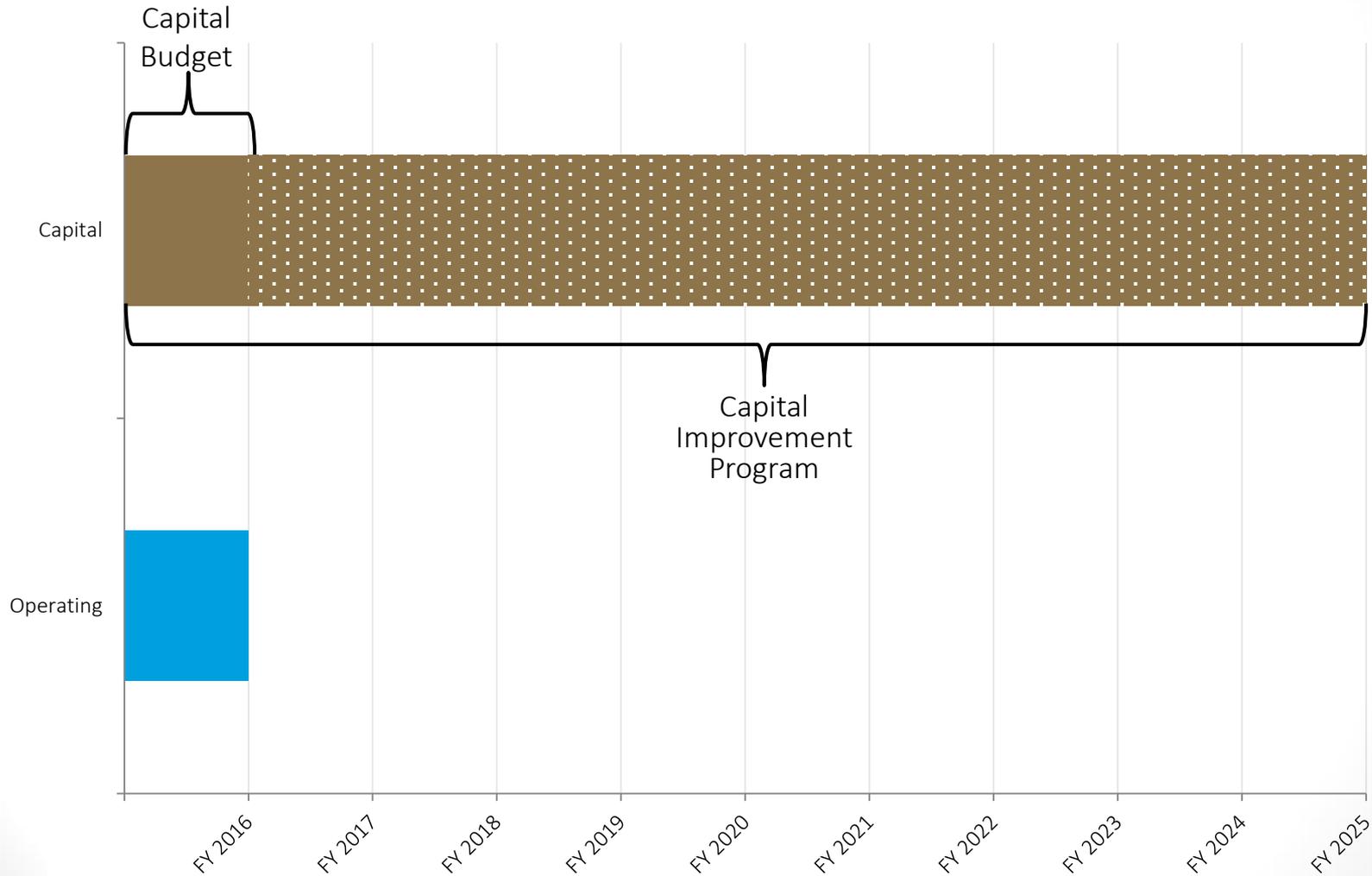
# **Capital Improvement Program FY 2016 – FY 2025**

# Capital Improvement Program (CIP)



- A ten-year plan of approved capital expenditures for long term improvements to the City's public facilities and public works, as well as to Alexandria City Public School capital projects
  - CAPITAL GOODS: Long-lived assets that have a useful life of two or more years, can be identified permanently as a separate item, and cost over \$10,000
- Balanced 10-year plan, but only the first year is appropriated

# Operating vs Capital Budgets



# 10-Year Proposed CIP Funding Overview

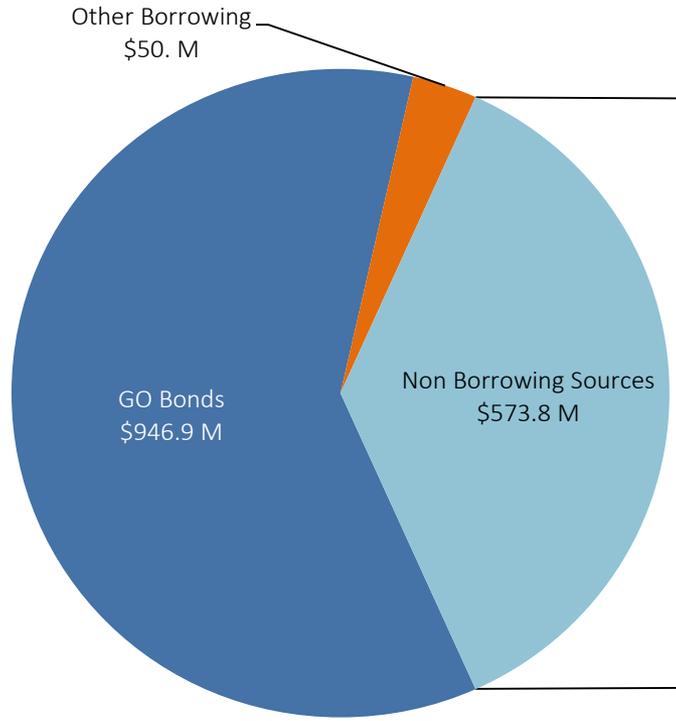
## Overview

(FY 2016 – FY 2025)

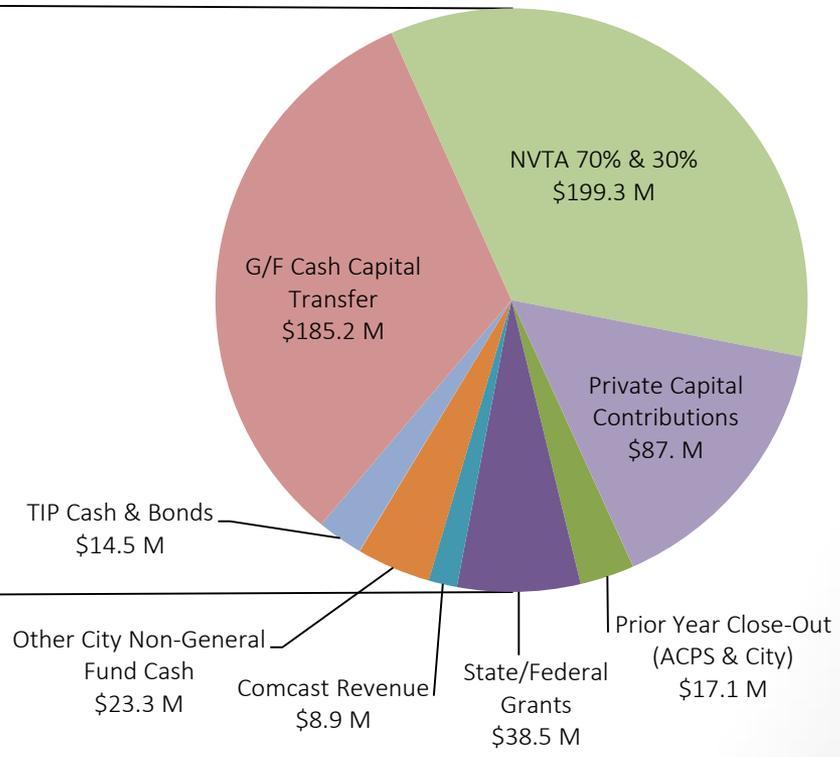


### BY CIP FUNDING SOURCES - \$1.57 B

(\$ in millions)



**BORROWING VS. CASH**



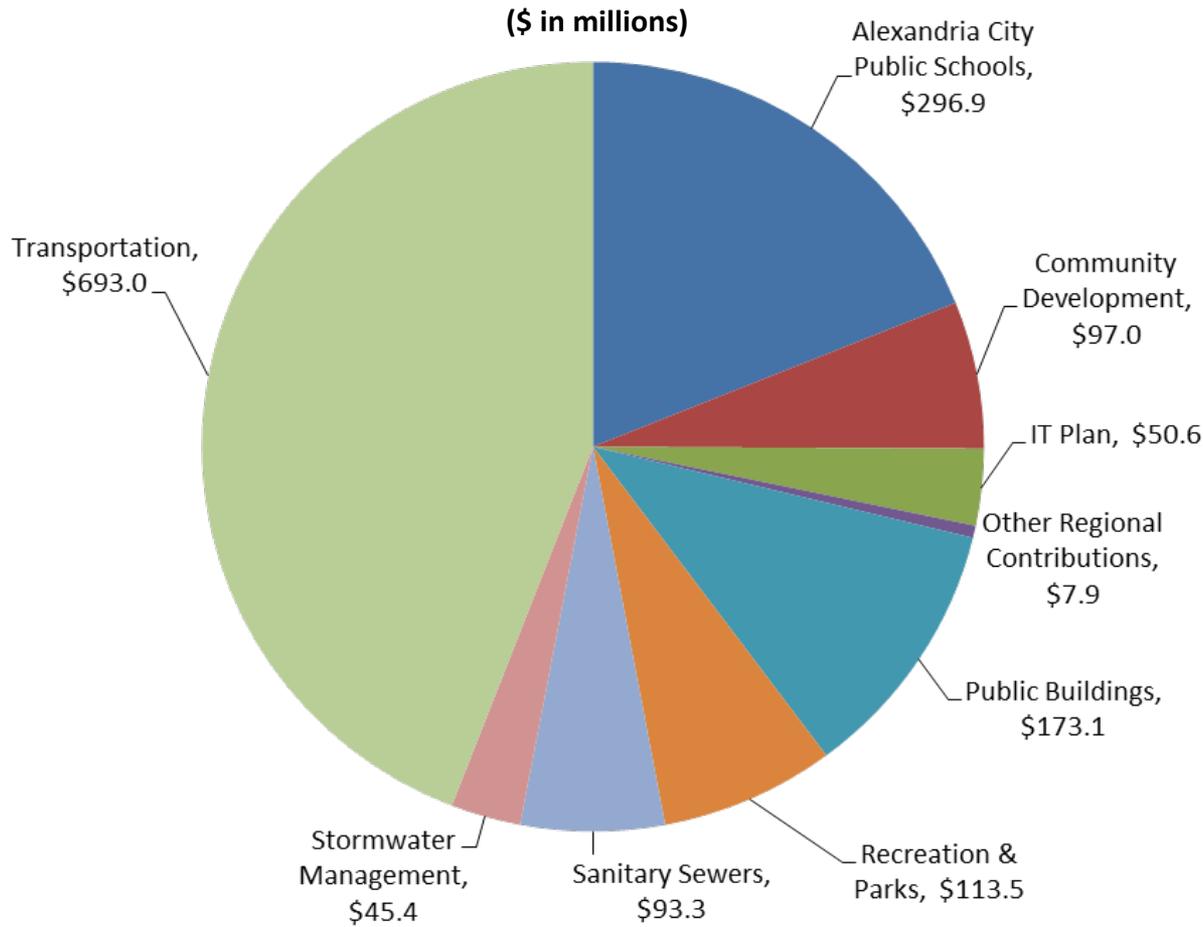
**NON-BORROWING SOURCES**

# 10-Year Proposed CIP Projects Overview

(FY 2016 – FY 2025)



## BY CIP PROJECT SECTION - \$1.57B



# 10-Year Proposed CIP Projects Overview

(FY 2016 – FY 2025)



## SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS IN 10-YEAR PLAN

PROJECT	GENERAL FUND SUPPORTED	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES
Alexandria City Public Schools Funding	\$296.9M	\$0
Potomac Yard Metrorail Station	\$0	\$274.0M
Waterfront Plan Implementation (property value increases will support debt service payments)	\$55.5M	\$6.0M
Sanitary Sewers & Stormwater Infrastructure	\$48.1M	\$90.7M
WMATA Capital Contributions Including Metro 2025 Funding	\$100.3M	\$14.2M
Transit Corridor "C" - Beauregard	\$0	\$89.3M
Street Resurfacing	\$38.7M	\$15.4M
City Hall HVAC Replacement and Restoration	\$53.3M	\$0
Open Space and City Athletic Fields	\$39.1M	\$0

# FY 2016 Proposed Capital Budget Projects



## SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS IN FY 2016

PROJECT	GENERAL FUND SUPPORTED	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES
Alexandria City Public Schools Funding	\$44.3M	\$0
Potomac Yard Metrorail Station	\$0	\$3.0M
WMATA Capital Contributions Including Metro 2025 Funding	\$9.2M	\$4.0M NVTC
Street Resurfacing, Sidewalks, Shared-Use Paths & Complete Streets Projects	\$5.1M	\$1.9M
King Street Metrorail Station	\$1.4M	\$2.3M
Patrick Henry Recreation Center	\$5.9M	\$0
Windmill Hill Park Bulkhead	\$5.0M	\$0
Permit Processing System (Code Fee Funded)	\$0	\$1.8M
Stormwater Utility Study	\$0.6M	\$0



# Summary

- No tax rate increase
- Slow growth economically
- Sustainable responsible budget proposed at a 1.7% increase
  - No use of fund balance
  - Services and programs maintained
- Priority investments:
  - ACPS
  - Police compensation
  - Employee merits
  - WMATA
  - Waterfront parks and flood mitigation



# Key Budget Development Dates

<b>Tuesday, March 3</b>	5:00	FY 2016 Proposed Budget Presentation (Council Chambers)
<b>Wed., March 11</b>	6:30	Public Budget Presentation (Beatley Library)
<b>Thursday, March 12</b>	6:30	Work Session: Compensation/Revenues/5-Year Financial Model (City Hall; 1101)
<b>Monday, March 16</b>	4:00	Public Hearing: FY 2016 Budget (Council Chambers)
<b>Tuesday, March 17</b>	6:30 8:00	Work Session: Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS Headquarters) Introduction of Tax Rate Ordinance (ACPS Headquarters)
<b>Thursday, March 19</b>	6:30	Work Session: "Safe, Secure & Just Community" Focus Area (City Hall; 1101)
<b>Monday, March 23</b>	6:30	Work Session: "Livable, Green & Prospering City" Focus Area (City Hall; 1101)
<b>Tuesday, April 7</b>	6:30	Work Session: "Healthy & Thriving Residents" Focus Area (City Hall; 1101)
<b>Thursday, April 9</b>	6:30	Work Session: Capital Improvement Program (City Hall; 1101)
<b>Tuesday, April 21</b>	5:30 6:30 7:30	Work Session: "Accountable, Effective & Well-Managed Government" Focus Area (City Hall; 1101) Work Session: Budget & Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (City Hall; 1101) Public Hearing: FY 2016 Tax Rate (Council Chambers)
<b>Tuesday, April 28</b>	7:00	Legislative Meeting: Preliminary Add/Delete Discussion (Council Chambers)
<b>Monday, May 4</b>	6:30	Special Meeting: Final Add/Delete Discussion (Council Chambers)
<b>Thursday, May 7</b>	6:30	Special Meeting: Budget Adoption (Council Chambers)

**Note:** Introduction of Tax Rate Ordinance and FY 2016 Tax Rate Public Hearing will start no earlier than stated time. Start time may be later, if previous meeting runs longer than scheduled.



# Questions?

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