



Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Budget

JULY 1, 2023 | JUNE 30, 2024



Successes

Committed to
provide
services that
promote public
safety

Achieved an 8-minute EMS response time 64.0 percent (last year was 63.8 percent)
– 10-year look back shows a 61.1 percent 8-minute response time

Added an additional seasonal daytime unit in Dewey Beach; improving response times by 20 percent

Achieved accreditation through the Commission Accreditation of Ambulance Services (EMS)

Applied to the Society for Simulation in Healthcare in hopes to be the first EMS agency in the world to meet this accreditation standard

Completed the EMS training facility

Improved first-attempt intubation success rates in 2022 by 7 percent

Earned reaccreditation as a Center of Excellence in Emergency Fire Dispatch

Accredited as the world's 30th Police Accredited Center of Excellence (EOC)

Accredited as the world's 24th Triple Accredited Center of Excellence (EOC)



Successes

Committed to
provide
services that
promote well-
being

Assisted more than 320 households with housing repairs (up from 245 last year)

Launched the housing trust fund to create and preserve affordable housing units

Completed 16 sewer district boundary expansions

Established Bethany Forest and Warwick Park sewer areas

Began operating the Western Sussex sewer area

Hosted a Greenwood Community Day, in collaboration with 10 organizations, that focused on health and safety



Successes

Committed to
provide
services that
promote
prosperity

Completed the construction of a general aviation aircraft parking and tiedown apron

Recruited and negotiated a lease agreement with Ocean Aviation Flight Academy. An academy that provides flight training to student and licensed pilots

Closed ExciteSussex Loans in the amount of \$2.3 million – retaining 43 jobs

Completed town-centric videos promoting Sussex County as a place to do business

Phase II of the Delaware Coastal Business Park nearly completed

Assisted Frankford Business Park in securing \$1 million in site readiness funding

Worked on 3 greenhouse projects in Central and Western Sussex; land closing at Georgetown location in Spring 2023

Leased 4.3 acres to Great Outdoor Cottages to add 120 jobs in Sussex



Successes

Committed to
provide
services that
promote an
enriched quality
of life

Performed a plant overhaul at Pintail Pointe to maintain service for the community

Organized and facilitated the first Sussex County Library Regional Spelling Bee

The mobile library formed a new partnership with Children and Families First to offer literacy programs and provide free services and materials to communities in need in Seaford

Used discarded materials and donations from the Delaware Division of Libraries and Sussex Read Aloud to stock Little Free Libraries around the county and distribute over 1,000 books at community events such as Seaford's Read and Feed program, Greenwood's Health Fair and Ellendale's community park.

Partnered with the Ocean View Police Department to host a library booth at the Cops & Goblins family event, promoting library services and resources to approximately 1,500 adults and providing paperback books to 500 children



Successes

Committed to
provide services
in a personal,
professional
manner

Published the first edition of the Design Standards Manual that outlines the process and technical requirements for sewer utility infrastructure to be owned and operated by Sussex County

Mechanics performed 645 preventative maintenance/repairs on County-owned vehicles; this is 7 percent increase over last year

Deployed the electronic document management system in Planning & Zoning

Created a GIS web-map integration with the Planning & Zoning document management system

Introduced a work order system to establish preventative maintenance schedules for County facilities

Recorded a total of 69,271 documents; turnaround time for electronic filings averaged 10 minutes or less, a 2-minute improvement over last year

Began the process of digitizing, indexing and uploading building permits onto the P&Z OnBase system; two years of permits were loaded this year



Successes

Committed to
provide
services in a
fiscally
responsible
manner

Added \$145 million to the Assessment roll in FY 2022 (\$122 million was added in FY 2021)

Generated over 480 invoices that brought in \$95,393 in fine revenue and abatement charges

Completed 21 Existing Wastewater Use Agreements totaling \$1.3 million

Gathered 1,561 satellite-based GPS data collection points in the Western Sussex sewer area to maintain four inches of accuracy of record drawings

Created the County's first ever Popular Annual Financial Report

Earned the GFOA's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

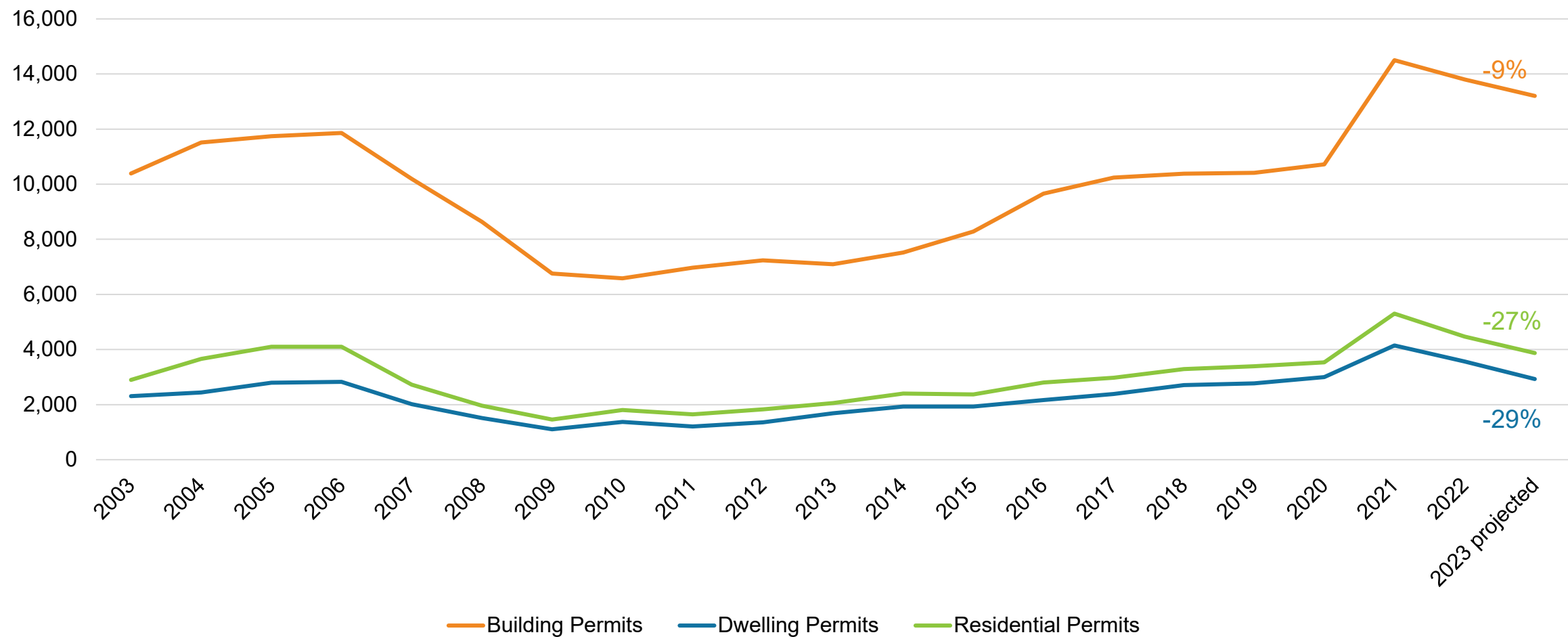
Performed energy efficiency lighting upgrades at the South Coastal Library, Emergency Operations Center, EMS facilities, and the Administrative Building

Implemented spousal coordination of benefits program, reducing primary risk exposure by 25%, or approximately \$450,000 annually in costs

Lost-time incidents for the County are .87 per 100 employees; the national average is 2 cases per 100 employees



20 Years of Activity



Various One-Year Activity

| Activity | 2020's Activity | 2021's Activity | 2022's Activity | 2023's Projected Activity | Difference | % Change |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------|----------|
| Building Code Inspections | 27,992 | 30,264 | 30,347 | 29,130 | (1,217) | (4%) |
| Deed Documents Recorded | 55,662 | 80,579 | 72,064 | 69,271 | (2,793) | (4%) |
| Utility Inspections | 2,312 | 3,102 | 2,949 | 2,841 | (108) | (4%) |
| Constable Complaints Tracked | 947 | 1,107 | 1,048 | 1,026 | (22) | (2%) |
| Register of Wills Revenue | \$1,250,378 | \$1,378,583 | \$1,577,899 | \$1,675,000 | \$97,101 | 6% |
| Water and Sewer EDUs | 80,491 | 81,757 | 87,488 | 89,750 | 2,262 | 3% |
| Miss Utility Tickets | 44,261 | 48,473 | 51,294 | 51,928 | 634 | 1% |
| Sewer Annexations Completed | 13 | 14 | 16 | 17 | 1 | 6% |
| Bills Issued Annually | 478,512 | 488,171 | 506,719 | 515,419 | 8,700 | 2% |



Budget Summary

| Fund | 2023 Original Budget | 2024 Draft Budget | Difference | Percent |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| General Fund | \$85,635,830 | \$89,715,170 | \$4,079,340 | 4.8% |
| Capital Projects – GF | \$28,370,000 | \$19,096,000 | (\$9,274,000) | (32.7%) |
| Water Fund | \$2,006,649 | \$1,801,420 | (\$205,229) | (10.2%) |
| Sewer Fund | \$51,313,948 | \$52,013,083 | \$699,135 | 1.4% |
| Capital Projects – WS | \$72,200,000 | \$66,050,000 | (\$6,150,000) | (8.5%) |
| Pension | \$9,281,168 | \$10,056,260 | \$775,092 | 8.4% |
| American Rescue Plan | \$45,340,373 | \$39,818,714 | (\$5,521,659) | (12.2%) |
| Total | \$294,147,968 | \$278,550,647 | (\$15,597,321) | (5.3%) |

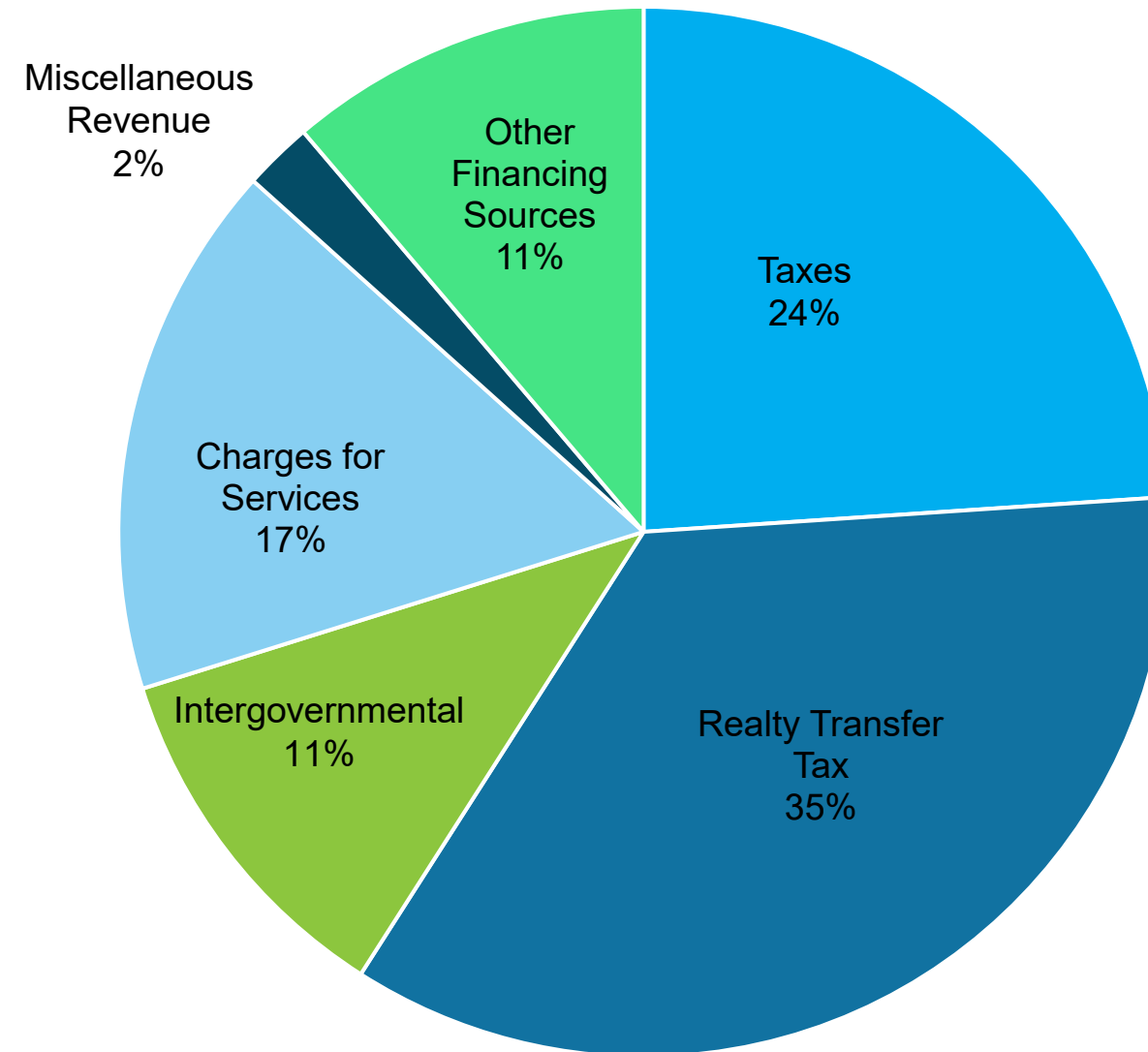
Revenue Highlights

- No increase in taxes
- Use of Reserve: \$10.0 million in General Fund; \$15.0 million in Capital
- Tax revenue, due to improvements, is **up** \$687,000, or 3.9%
- Building related revenues are **DOWN** \$1.3 million, or 9.0%
- Realty Transfer Tax revenue is **DOWN** \$1.3 million, or 4.0%
- Grant revenue is **up** \$1.5 million, or 17.5%
- Sheriff revenue is **up** \$200,000, or 26.7%
- Wills revenue is **up** \$200,000, or 15.4%
- \$15 annual increase in Dewey water rates
- \$10 annual increase in sewer rates
- Increase sewer connection fees from \$6,600 to \$7,700
- Changes in Engineering Fees
- Decrease or elimination of assessment fees in seven areas

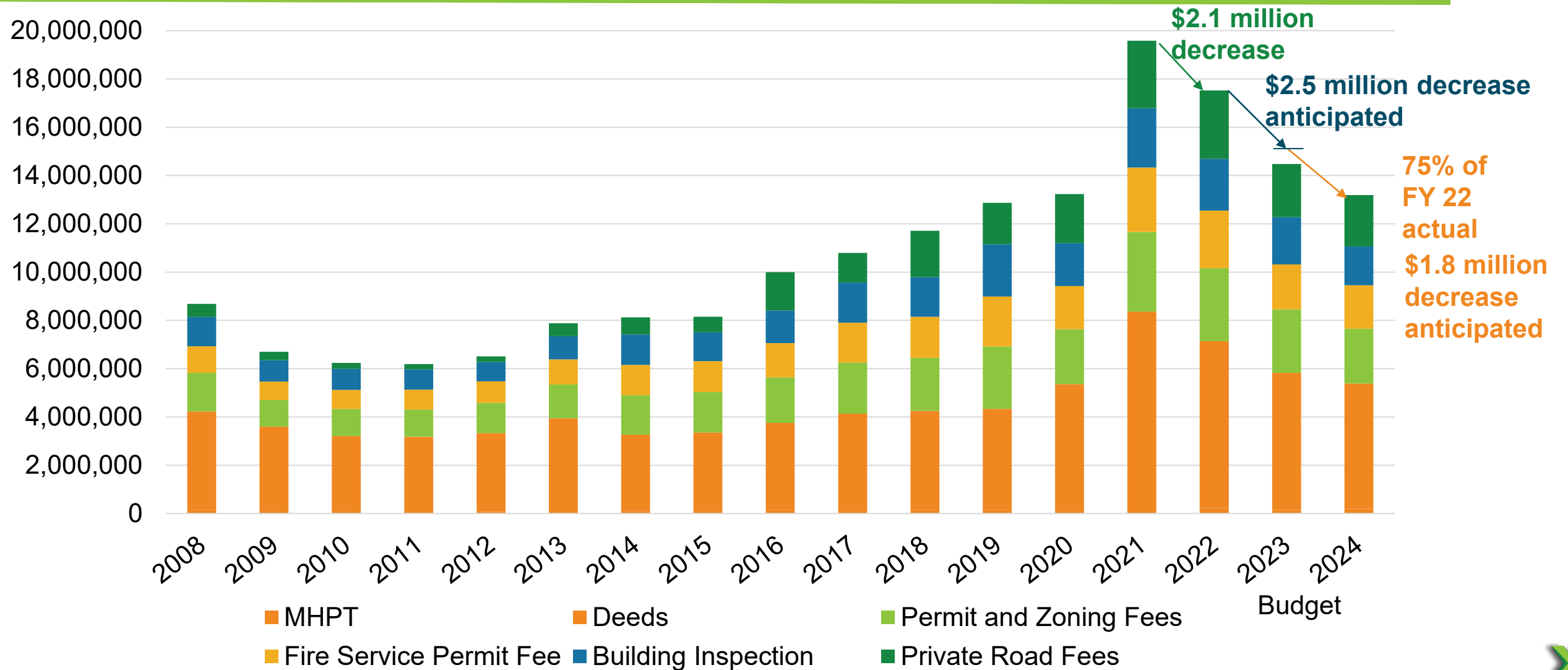


Revenue Highlights

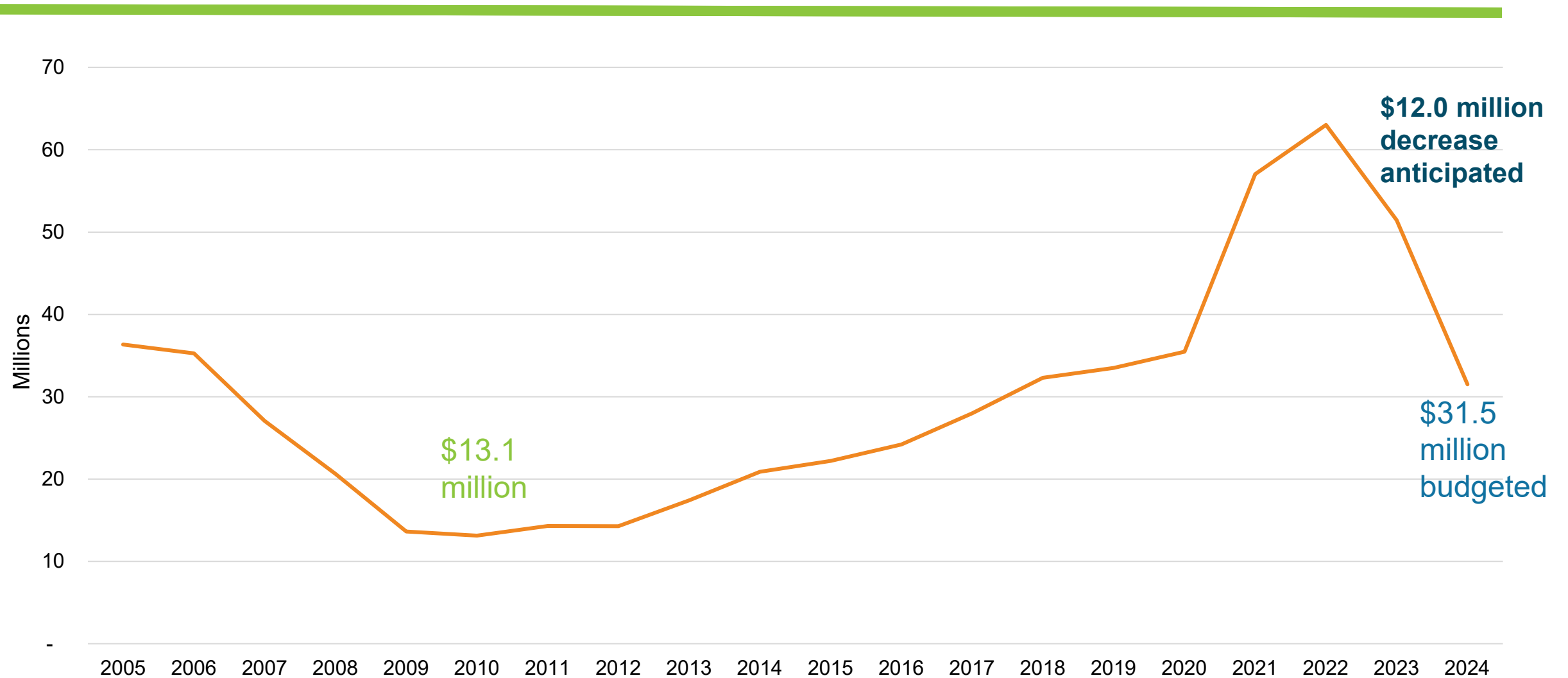
General Fund



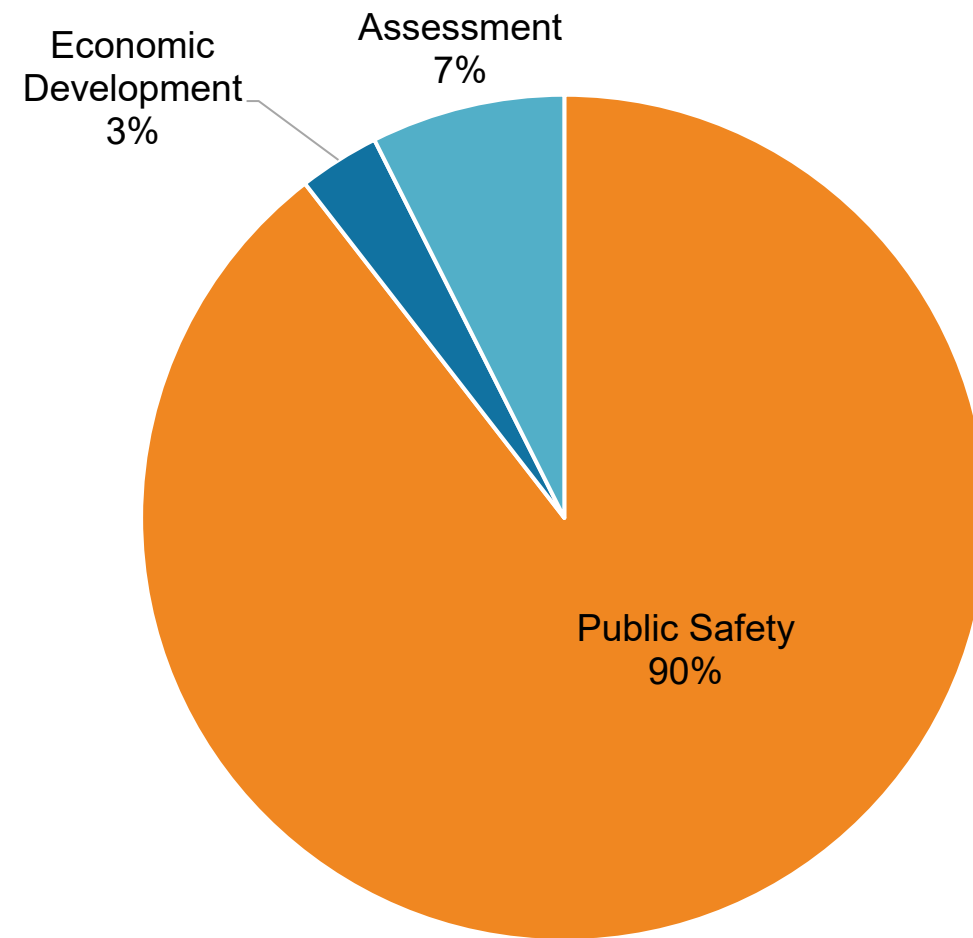
Building Related Revenues



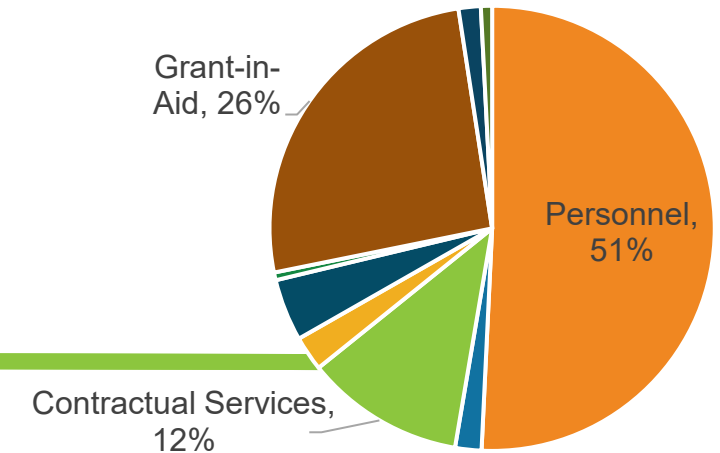
Realty Transfer Tax



RTT Expenses

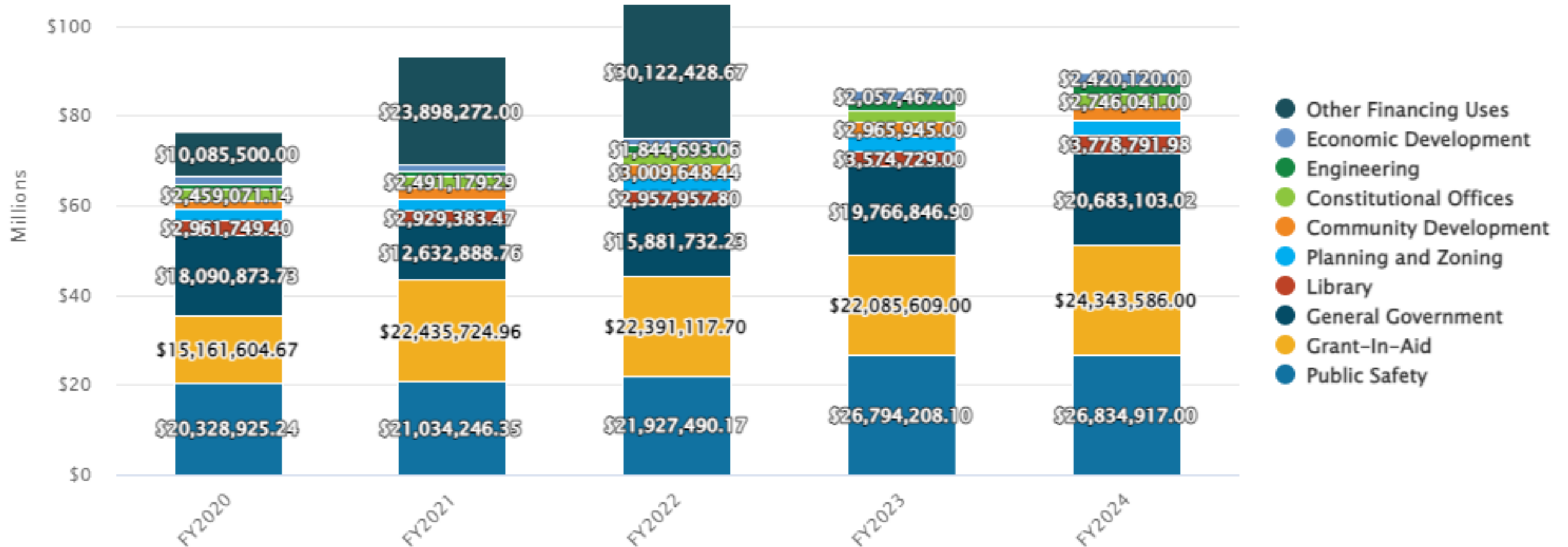


General Fund Expense Comparison



| | 2023 | 2024 | Difference | Percentage |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Personnel | \$42,591,483 | \$44,695,746 | \$2,104,263 | 4.9% |
| Other Professional Services | \$1,797,891 | \$1,684,139 | (113,752) | (6.3%) |
| Contractual Services | \$9,612,433 | \$10,172,539 | 560,106 | 5.8% |
| Supplies/Fuel/Tools | \$2,455,989 | \$2,219,390 | (236,599) | (9.6%) |
| Programs and Projects | \$3,946,110 | \$3,969,070 | 22,960 | 0.6% |
| Training | \$442,541 | \$494,890 | 52,349 | 11.8% |
| Grant-in-Aid | \$22,085,609 | \$24,343,586 | 2,257,977 | 10.2% |
| Capital/Improvements | \$1,988,274 | \$1,420,310 | (567,967) | (28.6%) |
| Other Uses | \$715,500 | \$715,500 | - | - |
| Total | \$85,635,830 | \$89,715,170 | \$4,079,340 | 4.8% |

General Fund Expense Comparison – by function



Staffing – Positions

| Department | Position | Increase(Decrease) |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Sewer - Engineering | | |
| Engineering – Utility | Utility Tech | 1 |
| Engineering – Environmental Services | Diesel Mechanic | 2 |
| Engineering | | 3 |
| General Fund - Constitutional Offices | | |
| Recorder of Deeds | Deputy | (1) |
| Constitutional Offices | | (1) |
| General Fund - General Government | | |
| Assessment | Assistant Director | (1) |
| GIO | GIS Technician | (1) |
| Human Resources | Human Resource Technician | (1) |
| General Government | | (3) |
| General Fund - Public Safety | | |
| Paramedics | Paramedic | 4 |
| Public Safety | | 4 |
| Total New Full-Time Employees | | 3 |



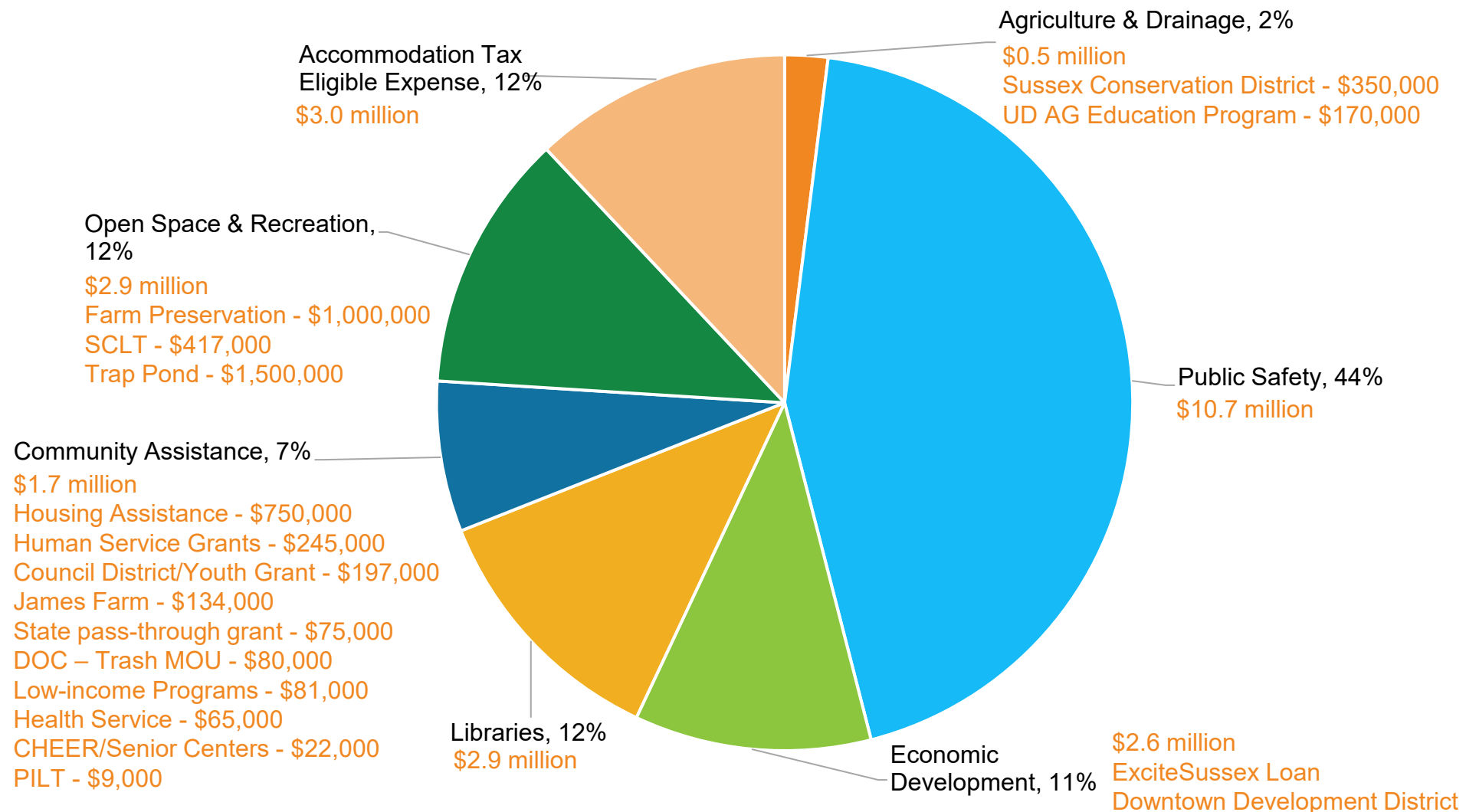
Use of Reserves - \$25.0 million

| | General Fund | Capital Projects Fund |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Open Space/SCLT w/Improvements | \$417,000 | \$6,568,000 |
| ExciteSussex Program | \$2,500,000 | |
| Deferred Accommodations Tax | \$2,000,000 | |
| Reassessment Project | \$3,400,000 | |
| Trap Pond Recreational Grant | \$1,500,000 | |
| Fire Company Study | \$200,000 | |
| Airport - Stormwater Improvements | | \$2,000,000 |
| Airport – Land Acquisitions | | \$100,000 |
| Airport – T-Hangar | | \$268,000 |
| Airport – Various Projects | | \$312,500 |
| Delaware Coastal Business Park | | \$120,000 |
| Building Improvements | | \$490,000 |
| Bookmobile | | \$400,000 |
| Parking | | \$2,000,000 |
| Clean Water Enhancement | | \$200,000 |
| Landfill Property | | \$250,000 |
| Public Safety Building | | \$250,000 |
| EMS Stations | | \$2,000,000 |
| Total | \$10,017,000 | \$14,958,500 |

Green
denotes
RTT
reserves



Grant-in-Aid - \$24.3 million



Public Safety - \$10.7 million

| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 Budget | 2024 Budget |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Delaware State Police | \$3,298,177 | \$3,547,130 | \$3,587,492 | \$3,820,610 | \$4,137,787 |
| Local Law Enforcement | \$690,000 | \$800,000 | \$690,000 | \$690,000 | \$805,000 |
| Fire/BLS | \$4,694,201 | \$10,890,782 | \$5,176,565 | \$5,634,450 | \$5,728,950 |
| Total | \$8,682,378 | \$15,237,912 | \$9,454,057 | \$10,145,060 | \$10,686,737 |

\$15,000 is also included for lifeguards in Fenwick.

Funding for public safety comes from Realty Transfer Tax and the pass-through building permit fire service fee.

New this year is \$200,000 for a fire service study

| County | Anticipated FY 2024 Budget | Population | Per Capita |
|------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| New Castle | \$6,538,059 | 571,708 | \$11.44 |
| Kent | \$1,480,000 | 184,149 | \$8.14 |
| Sussex | \$5,528,950* | 247,527 | \$22.34 |

* Amount does not include study



Libraries - \$2.9 million

| Account Description | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 Budget | 2024 Budget |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Local Library Grants | 2,499,884 | 2,551,199 | 2,605,600 | 2,674,600 | 2,747,600 |
| Local Library Placement Fees | 129,371 | 168,631 | 221,658 | 150,000 | 200,000 |
| Total | 2,629,255 | 2,719,830 | 2,827,258 | 2,824,600 | \$2,947,600 |

Funding for the libraries come through:

- The library tax of \$1.94 million
- Mobile home placement tax of \$200,000
- General property tax of \$800,000

The funding increased by \$73,000 from the previous year due to growth in assessments.

Open Space/Recreation - \$2.9 million

The County participates in multiple open space programs. There is \$1.4 million in the budget for possible open space partnerships. There is another \$6 million in open space purchases in Capital.

| | Previous set-aside Contribution | Funds Spent since 2003 | Acres Acquired | Remaining Funds in Reserves |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Land Trust | \$6,787,005 | \$6,369,776 | 992.10 | \$417,229 |
| Farmland Preservation | \$3,693,656 | \$3,693,656 | 4,300.05 | - |
| Out-right Purchases or Other Partnerships | - | \$8,845,110 | 217.02 | |
| Total | \$10,480,661 | \$18,908,542 | 5,509.17 | \$417,229 |

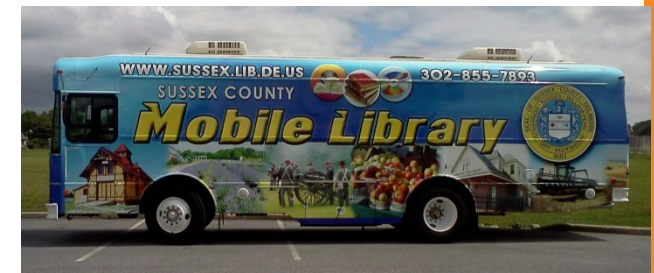
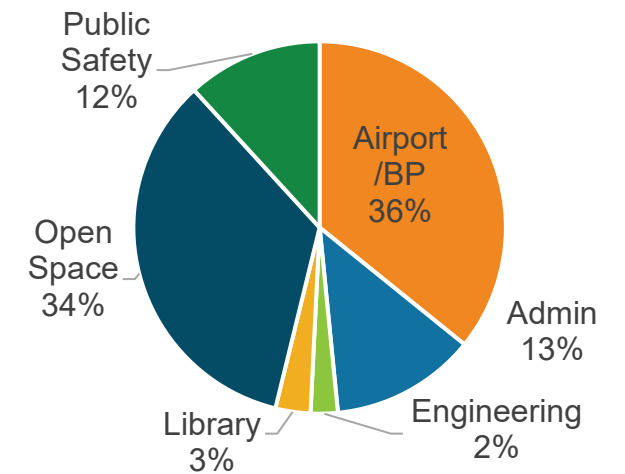
New this year is \$1,500,000 to help the State of Delaware with a recreational area at Trap Pond State Park; paid with RTT reserves

GENERAL FUND CAPITAL

FY 2024 Budget



| | TOTAL | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| PROJECT REVENUES | | | | | | |
| Reserves/RTT (transfer) | \$50,733,400 | \$14,958,500 | \$10,040,500 | \$11,440,400 | \$12,090,000 | \$1,985,000 |
| FAA Grant | 59,677,200 | 3,825,000 | 4,905,000 | 3,517,200 | 25,020,000 | 22,410,000 |
| Investment Income | 260,000 | 100,000 | 75,000 | 50,000 | 25,000 | 10,000 |
| State of Delaware | 3,315,400 | 212,500 | 272,500 | 195,400 | 1,390,000 | 1,245,000 |
| | 113,986,000 | 19,096,000 | 15,293,000 | 15,203,000 | 38,525,000 | 25,650,000 |
| PROJECT EXPENDITURES | | | | | | |
| AIRPORT - RW4-22 6000' all phases (90/5) | 32,500,000 | 1,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | 15,000,000 | 14,500,000 |
| AIRPORT - RW4-22 Rehabilitate | 14,850,000 | | | 850,000 | 7,000,000 | 7,000,000 |
| AIRPORT - Stormwater Improvements | 5,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 3,000,000 | - | - | - |
| AIRPORT - Land Acquisition | 200,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | - | - | - |
| AIRPORT - T-hangar Construction | 268,000 | 268,000 | - | - | - | - |
| AIPRORT - RW4-22 Taxiway B (90/5) | 13,650,000 | 3,250,000 | 3,100,000 | 600,000 | 3,300,000 | 3,400,000 |
| AIRPORT - Rehabilitate Terminal Apron(90/5) | 5,308,000 | - | 350,000 | 2,458,000 | 2,500,000 | - |
| AIRPORT - Pavement Improvements | 500,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Business Park Improvements | 120,000 | 120,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Administration Building Improvements | 500,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Administration Annex | 21,000,000 | 250,000 | 750,000 | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 | - |
| Admin Parking | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Storage Building | 60,000 | 60,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Cleanwater Enhancement | 1,250,000 | 200,000 | 225,000 | 250,000 | 275,000 | 300,000 |
| EMS Stations | 7,750,000 | 2,250,000 | 5,000,000 | 500,000 | | - |
| Landfill Property Acquisition | 1,250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Land Improvements | 981,000 | 568,000 | 318,000 | 95,000 | | |
| Library Building Improvements | 180,000 | 180,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Mobile Library | 400,000 | 400,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Property Acquisition | 6,000,000 | 6,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 113,767,000 | 19,096,000 | 15,293,000 | 15,203,000 | 38,525,000 | 25,650,000 |



HOPKINS PRESERVE MASTER PLAN



SEWER

FY 2024 Budget



Sewer Financial Facts

| Year | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Increase |
|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Budget | \$41,738,047 | \$45,777,826 | \$51,313,948 | \$52,013,083 | \$699,135, 1.4% |

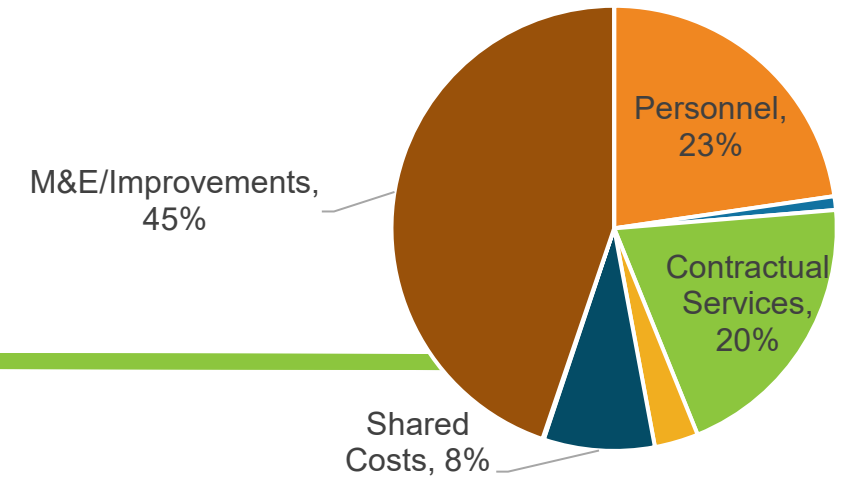
| Fiscal Year | Use of Savings to Balance Budget |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 2024 | \$601,112 |
| 2023 | \$537,596 |

| Cash | Sewer Fund |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Unrestricted | \$9,254,749 |
| Percent of Operations | 17.8% |

| Fiscal Year | Rate | Amount Generated |
|-------------|-------|------------------|
| 2022 | \$296 | - |
| 2023 | \$320 | \$1,972,944 |
| 2024 | \$330 | \$853,800 |



Sewer Budget Summary



| | 2023 | 2024 | Difference | Percentage |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Personnel | 11,098,187 | 11,834,926 | 736,739 | 6.6% |
| Other Professional Services | 302,600 | 296,300 | (6,300) | -2.1% |
| Contractual Services | 8,994,287 | 10,566,566 | 1,572,279 | 17.5% |
| Supplies/Fuel/Tools | 1,641,749 | 1,662,310 | 20,561 | 1.3% |
| Shared Costs | 4,644,293 | 4,223,613 | (420,680) | -9.1% |
| Training | 29,360 | 57,170 | 27,810 | 94.7% |
| M&E/Improvements/Debt | 24,355,472 | 23,124,198 | (1,231,274) | -5.1% |
| Other Uses | 248,000 | 248,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Total | 51,313,948 | 52,013,083 | 699,135 | 1.4% |

Engineering Fee Proposals

| Description | Sub-Category | Existing | Proposed | Reason |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|--|
| Sewer Review Fee | Flat | \$2,000 | \$3,000 | More review time is needed for review of the Phasing Plan/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Per Unit | \$20 | \$30 | More review time is needed for review of the Phasing Plan/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Revision | \$1,000 | \$2,000 | More review time is needed for the addition of the Phasing plan/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Multi-Family | \$20 | \$10 | Takes less time to review than a single-family subdivision |
| Water Review Fee | Flat | \$1,500 | \$3,000 | To match sewer review fee; process takes the same amount of time |
| | Per Unit | \$10 | \$20 | To cover the cost of employee's time |
| | Revision | \$1,000 | \$2,000 | To match sewer review fee; process takes the same amount of time |
| | Multi-Family | \$10 | \$10 | No change |
| Road Review Fee | Flat | \$2,500 | \$3,500 | More time is required for review of detailed grading and phasing plan/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Per Unit | \$45 | \$55 | More time is required for review of detailed grading and phasing plan/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Revision | \$1,000 | \$2,000 | More review time is needed for the addition of detailed grading plans/to cover cost of employee's time |
| | Multi-Family | \$45 | \$20 | Takes less time to review than a single-family subdivision |
| Overtime Rate | | \$50/hr | \$70/hr | Based on current OT rates (with benefits) of employees; and the cost of the use of a vehicle and equipment |
| Sewer/Water Connection Permits | | \$100 | \$130 | On average an employee spends over two hours to create an account and inspect the connection |
| Sewer Inspection Camera | | \$125/hr | \$150/hr | Covers the cost of 2 employees and truck w/camera |
| Sewer Inspection Camera Flagger | | \$0 | \$50/hr | Covers the cost traffic control, if needed |
| Commercial Sewer Site Review Fee | | \$0 | \$1,000 | New charge to cover costs for private on-site sewer review where we are ensuring they meet minimum standards |



System Connection Charges

Water Connection Charge (Potable & Irrigation)

- Current Charge: \$1,155 [\$1,155 Transmission | \$0 Treatment]
- Proposed Rate: \$1,500 [\$1,500 Transmission | \$0 Treatment]

Reason For Increase: Multi-year Budget Deficit, Water Tower Rehab Project extending service life

Unified Sanitary Sewer

- Current Charge: \$6,600 [\$2,280 Transmission | \$4,320 Treatment]
- Proposed Rate: \$7,700 [\$3,120 Transmission | \$4,580 Treatment]

Reason for Increase: Inflation, Capacity Expansion & Capital Project Cost Increases



Assessment Rates

| Area – Billed by Front Footage | 2022 Rate | 2023 Rate | 2024 Rate |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Angola | \$6.17 | \$5.85 | \$5.13 |
| Angola North | \$9.00 | \$9.00 | \$8.30 |
| Bay View Estates | \$6.77 | \$6.77 | \$0.00 |
| Cedar Neck Expansion | \$2.99 | \$2.99 | \$2.99 |
| Concord Road Area - Blades | \$4.24 | \$4.24 | \$4.24 |
| Ocean Way Estates | \$1.82 | \$1.82 | \$1.82 |
| Dagsboro/Frankford | \$0.60 | \$0.60 | \$0.60 |
| Dagsboro/Frankford – Prince George's | \$3.63 | \$3.63 | \$3.63 |
| Ellendale | \$1.60 | \$1.60 | \$1.22 |
| Ellendale - New Market Village | \$4.69 | \$4.69 | \$2.58 |
| Fenwick Island Sewer | \$0.26 | \$0.26 | \$0.26 |
| Fenwick Island – Rt. 54 | \$7.06 | \$7.06 | \$7.06 |
| Golf Village | \$1.47 | \$1.47 | \$1.47 |
| Herring Creek | \$8.24 | \$8.24 | \$8.24 |
| Holt's Landing – The Greens | \$5.23 | \$5.23 | \$0.00 |
| Johnson's Corner | \$4.55 | \$4.55 | \$4.55 |

| Area – Billed by Front Footage | 2022 Rate | 2023 Rate | 2024 Rate |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Miller Creek | \$6.52 | \$6.40 | \$6.40 |
| Millville Expansion | \$4.11 | \$4.01 | \$4.01 |
| Mulberry Knoll | - | \$8.00 | \$8.00 |
| Oak Orchard | \$4.26 | \$4.26 | \$4.26 |
| Oak Orchard Expansion | \$4.19 | \$4.19 | \$4.19 |
| Ocean Way Estates | \$1.82 | \$1.82 | \$1.82 |
| Sea Country Estates | \$4.83 | \$4.83 | \$0.00 |
| South Ocean View | \$5.47 | \$5.47 | \$5.47 |
| West Rehoboth Sewer Expansion | \$1.48 | \$1.30 | \$1.30 |
| Woodlands of Millsboro | \$0.42 | \$0.42 | \$0.42 |

| Area – Billed by EDU | 2022 Rate | 2023 Rate | 2024 Rate |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Dewey/Henlopen Acres | \$318.54 | \$318.54 | \$318.54 |
| Chapel Branch | \$680.00 | \$680.00 | \$680.00 |
| Mallard Creek | - | - | \$540.00 |
| Pintail Pointe | - | \$954.00 | \$954.00 |
| Western Sussex | \$285.00 | \$285.00 | \$285.00 |



WATER

FY 2024 Budget



Water

| Year | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Budget | \$1,438,163 | \$1,750,817 | \$2,006,649 | \$1,801,420 |

| Projected Losses | Water Fund |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2024 | (\$131,034) |
| 2023 | Trending higher than 2022 |

| Operating Income/(Losses) | Water Fund |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| 2022 | (\$128,533) |
| 2021 | (\$84,108) |
| 2020 | \$84,630 |

City of Rehoboth

Beginning January 1, 2021, annual prices increased by \$300,000; To make up the \$300,000, rates were going to increase \$15/year until 2026. \$800,000 in savings was being spent to avoid a large increase of \$80 in one year.

| Year | Cost | Total Increase In Rate | Additional Income |
|-------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 2021 | \$ 150,000 | \$15 | \$ 56,235 |
| 2022 | \$ 300,000 | \$30 | \$ 112,470 |
| 2023 | \$ 300,000 | \$45 | \$ 168,705 |
| 2024 | \$ 300,000 | \$60 | \$ 224,940 |
| 2025 | \$ 300,000 | \$75 | \$ 281,175 |
| 2026 | \$ 300,000 | \$80 | \$ 300,000 |

\$75,060
anticipated
use of
savings



What are we doing to keep the Water Utility Operational?

Increase the cost per EDU by \$15 annually (4.0% increase)

\$57,000

| Current Cash on Hand | Amount |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Restricted | \$542,938 |
| Unrestricted | \$1,982,239 |
| Total Cash on Hand | \$2,525,177 |

There is a planned operational expense of \$500,000 to rehabilitate the water tank in 2025.

| Year | End of 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 |
|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Reserves | \$2,325,177 | \$2,194,143 | \$1,637,143 | \$1,550,378 |

Current Rate: \$377
Proposed Rate: \$392
Artesian: ~\$483
Rehoboth: ~\$422
Lewes: ~\$419

UTILITY CAPITAL

FY 2024 Budget



ENTERPRISE FUNDS: REVENUES

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Assessment Fees (Loans/Grants) | 98,250,000 | 36,550,000 | 42,200,000 | 10,500,000 | 5,500,000 | 3,500,000 |
| Connection Charges | 42,500,000 | 9,500,000 | 18,500,000 | 14,500,000 | - | - |
| Federal Grant (ARPA) | 23,000,000 | 18,000,000 | 5,000,000 | - | - | - |
| User Fees | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - | - |

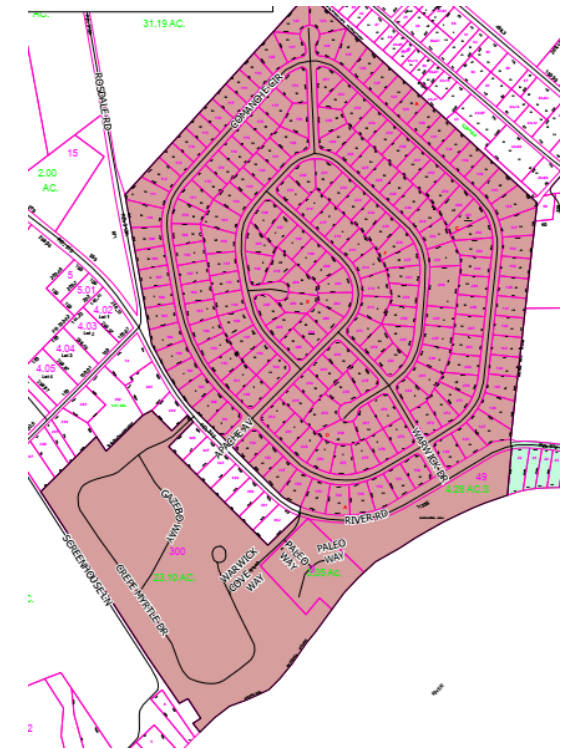
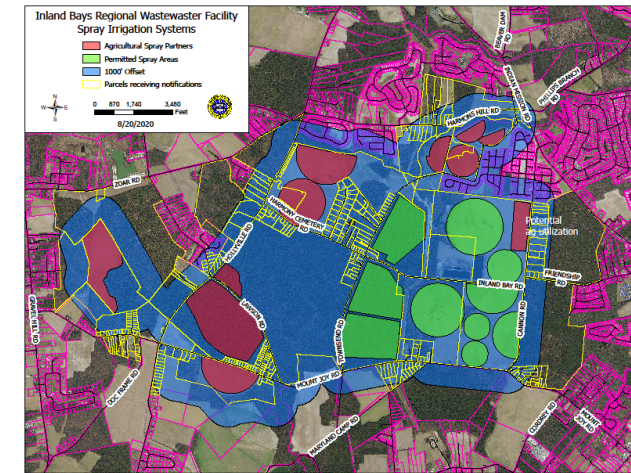
TOTAL: REVENUES

ENTERPRISE FUNDS: EXPENSES

| | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| IBRWF - Loop Project | 10,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 | - | - | - |
| IBRWF - Disposal Expansion | 5,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - |
| IBRWF - Treatment Expansion | 25,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 12,000,000 | 10,000,000 | - | - |
| SCRWF - Capacity Expansion | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| SCRWF - Compliance Upgrades | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Piney Neck-RWF Transmission Improvements | 12,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 | - | - |
| Piney Neck-Lagoon Conversions | 2,500,000 | - | - | 2,500,000 | - | - |
| WNRWF Conversion | 16,250,000 | 250,000 | 3,500,000 | 3,500,000 | 5,500,000 | 3,500,000 |
| Concord Road/Route 13 Commercial | 250,000 | 250,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Western Sussex Sewer (Heritage Shores PS) | 250,000 | 250,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Herring Creek | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Winding Creek Village Water District | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | - | - | - |
| Chapel Branch | 1,200,000 | 1,200,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Joy Beach | 4,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - |
| Long Neck Communities | 7,500,000 | 5,000,000 | 2,500,000 | - | - | - |
| Blackwater Village | 12,500,000 | 3,000,000 | 7,500,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - |
| Oak Acres/Tanglewood | 3,000,000 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | - | - | - |
| Pintail Pointe | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | - | - | - | - |
| Lochwood | 8,500,000 | 4,250,000 | 4,250,000 | - | - | - |
| Slaughter Beach | 21,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 15,000,000 | - | - | - |
| Countryside Hamlet | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - | - | - |
| North Ellendale Re-direct | 4,250,000 | 250,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | - | - |
| Warwick Park Pumpstation | 2,350,000 | 2,000,000 | 350,000 | - | - | - |
| Briarwood | 4,200,000 | 2,100,000 | 2,100,000 | - | - | - |

TOTAL ENTERPRISE EXPENDITURES

165,750,000 66,050,000 65,700,000 25,000,000 5,500,000 3,500,000





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