



FY 2021 PROPOSED BUDGET HEARINGS

INTERNAL SERVICE DEPARTMENTS & COUNCIL APPOINTED OFFICERS

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FY 2021 BASELINE BUDGET SUMMARY

Department	General Fund Revenue	General Fund Expenses	General Fund FTE	All Funds Revenue	All Funds Expenses	All Funds FTE
City Attorney	\$1,617,268	\$3,825,148	10.00	\$1,617,268	\$3,825,148	10.00
City Auditor	\$965,884	\$1,057,042	3.00	\$965,884	\$1,057,042	3.00
City Clerk	\$652,577	\$1,374,602	5.00	\$652,577	\$1,374,602	5.00
City Council	\$155,566	\$473,822	7.00	\$155,566	\$473,822	7.00
City Manager	\$1,549,472	\$3,633,795	10.00	\$1,549,472	\$3,633,795	10.00
Administrative Services	\$2,306,544	\$9,375,006	41.61	\$4,049,285	\$11,038,773	43.71
Human Resources	\$1,914,659	\$4,087,691	16.96	\$11,323,599	\$15,194,413	18.44
Information Technology	\$0	\$0	0.00	\$16,670,828	\$21,383,905	36.58



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Administrative Services Department

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

Balancing Strategy

Maintain work and required financial reporting. Reorganize and restructure areas such as accounting, procurement, and revenue collections in order to share resources working to minimize impacts and delays to City processes in accounting, procurement, and revenue collections.

Major Proposed Changes in in General Fund

- Accounting and Revenue Collections Reorganization (-\$188,000)
- Suspend City Annual Performance Report (-\$165,000)
- Procurement staff reorganization and reduction in resources (-\$146,000)
- Reduction in printing services (-\$75,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (ASD)

- Quarterly financial and investment reporting, the annual Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), and the annual budget process will continue such as the Long Range Financial Report, Mid-Year Budget review, and budget adoption.
- Redeploying staff and balancing delays in processing timeline with internal control risk such as changes in purchasing and payment processing.
- Continue to process biweekly payroll for all city employees
- Property management, treasury services, and warehouse management will continue
- Revenue collections will continue in a modified format



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Human Resources Department

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (HUMAN RESOURCES)

Balancing Strategy

Human Resources does not plan to eliminate or discontinue services, given the nature of the work, the balancing strategy will require reductions in personnel hours and the reduction of a contingency fund.

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Reduce staff resources (-\$230,000)
- Eliminate Human Resources contingency fund (-\$50,000, this was noted as part of the non-departmental discussion)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (HR)

- Guiding and supporting workforce safety and health through COVID-19 and Shelter in Place orders.
- Implementing Federal Families First legislation
- Implementing workforce reductions, leading safe return-to-work strategies, meeting legal obligations related to unions, and assisting with organizational issues related to the budget and ongoing pandemic.
- Continue HR strategies focused on new employee orientation, staffing and recruitment management, talent and skill development, performance assessments, safety and wellness programs; and to support employee relations, compensation, job classification, risk management, and organization development



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Information Technology

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)

Balancing Strategy

Freeze position vacancies, adjusted service delivery, eliminated maintenance contracts for lower risk software/hardware, reduced Citywide allocations to replace only critical software/hardware

Major Proposed Changes in the Information Technology Fund

- Position Eliminations, Deferral of Hiring, and Reduction in Department Training (-\$930,000 rev / -\$930,000 exp)
- Reduction in Software & Equipment Support (-\$473,000 rev / -\$473,000 exp)
- Extend Replacement Cycle for Laptops & Components (-\$389,00 rev / -\$389,000 exp)
- Currently assessing the impacts of deferring work on two capital improvement projects (-\$3.7 M)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (IT)

- Continue with the implementation of
 - ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) Upgrade,
 - GIS (Geographic Information System) Modernization, and
 - Next Generation City website
- Provide a broad range of high-quality technology-related solutions to employees, departments, council members, and the community; support and improve essential technology infrastructure



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City Attorney Office

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE)

Balancing Strategy

City Attorney's Office has realigned the contingency fund to streamline operations and decrease administrative work. Reduced areas which will lengthen response times for new initiatives but maintain core work

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Staffing Reductions (-\$117,000)
- Travel, Training, and Supply Expense Reductions (-\$47,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (ATTORNEY)

- Continue to provide legal support and services to the City Council, City Manager and departments.
- The Attorney's Office will focus on new priorities in the City government organization during the COVID-19 recovery phase.



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City Auditor Office

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE)

Balancing Strategy

To increase the efficiency of the organization, the Auditor's Office realigned services provided while also reducing expenses in staffing categories to keep the department's budget balanced and fiscally sustainable.

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Staffing Adjustments (net -\$137,000)
- Realignment of the Tax Compliance and National Citizens Survey Program from the City Auditor's office to a mutual share between the City Manager's Office and the Administrative Services Department (-\$150,000 rev / -\$77,000 exp)
- Staff reduction equal to similar internal service reductions (-\$165,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (AUDITOR)

- At the direction of the City Council and in coordination with the Council Appointed Officer Committee, staff is currently evaluating the service delivery of the internal audit function and final impacts are to be determined.
- conduct internal audits and examinations of any City department, program, service, activity, or fiscal transaction



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City Clerks Office

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (CITY CLERK'S OFFICE)

Balancing Strategy

To increase the efficiency of the organization, the City Clerk's Office realigned services provided while also reducing expenses in staffing categories to keep the department's budget balanced and fiscally sustainable.

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Staffing Reductions (-\$48,000)
- Travel, Training, and Supply Expense Reductions (-\$45,000)
- Contract Services Expense Reductions (-\$90,000)
(includes \$35,000/\$63,000 for minutes transcription & KZSU broadcasting council meetings)
- No Board and Commission Training or Recognition (-\$5,000)
- Printing agenda packets (-\$35,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (CLERK)

- The City Clerk's Office will continue to provide support and services to the City Council, staff and the community while working to maintain and enhance Palo Alto's quality of life.
- The City Clerk's Office will focus on new priorities in the City government organization during the COVID-19 recovery phase.



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City Council Office

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (CITY COUNCIL OFFICE)

Balancing Strategy

To increase the efficiency of the organization, the CCO reduced expenses in travel, training, office supply, and special event categories to keep the department's budget balanced and fiscally sustainable.

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Travel, Training, and Supply Expense Reductions (-\$49,000)
- Meeting meals and snacks (-\$14,000)

MAY 12 REVISE: Eliminate Council Contingency (-\$125,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (CCO)

- The City Council will continue to provide leadership and management to the City government organization while working with the Council Appointed Officers Offices to maintain and enhance Palo Alto's quality of life.



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City Managers Office

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FY 2021 BUDGET SUMMARY (CITY MANAGER OFFICE)

Balancing Strategy

To increase the efficiency of the organization, the CMO realigned services provided while also reducing expenses in staffing categories to keep the department's budget balanced and fiscally sustainable.

Major Proposed Changes in General Fund

- Staffing Reductions (-\$251,000)
- Travel, Training, and Supply Expense Reductions (-\$32,000)
- National Citizen's Survey Alignment from City Auditor's Office (\$27,000)

FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OUTLOOK (CMO)

- The City Manager's Office will continue to provide leadership and management to the City government organization while working with the City Council to maintain and enhance Palo Alto's quality of life.
- The City Manager's Office will focus on new priorities that will support residents, local businesses, and the City government organization during the COVID-19 recovery phase.
- Continue citywide strategic focus areas including legislative affairs, business support and coordination, communications and community engagement, management of a small business grant recovery program, review of the City's 311 service request process, sister city support, and other citywide efforts.

SERVICE AREA SUMMARY

	General Fund FY 2021 Baseline (as of 4/20/20)	General Fund FY 2021 Revised (as of CMR #11322)	% change	All Funds FY 2021 Baseline	All Funds FY 2021 Revised	% change
Administration and Governance	\$23.8 M	\$21.2 M	(11.1%)	\$58.0 M	\$52.5 M	(9.5%)