

FY2021-22 Proposed Budget - Questions from the Budget Committee

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Jack Pendleton	
2 & 42	<p>How certain is the ARP? My understanding is legislation has been passed by the Federal Government.</p> <p>Has Congress appropriated the money?</p> <p>How will the funds be divided up at the Federal level?</p> <p>How will funds be allocated at the State level?</p> <p>Will Canby have to compete with other jurisdictions for funding?</p> <p>What is the fallback is we get less than budgeted?</p> <p>Yes the ARP money has been appropriated, the funds were allocated to municipalities and the state based on population. Due to the size of our City our portion will be passed through the State and we should be getting the first of our two annual installments before June 30</p>
9	<p>Is the City Attorney an employee? Yes, he is an employee.</p> <p>If not, how are they compensated? Where is that in the budget? His time is allocated under the General Fund Administration Department and is reimbursed by the other funds through the Admin OH transfer.</p>
37 & 87	<p>Why is there a large amount of unexpended money in the Parks SDC? Can it be used for capital improvements at existing parks? One thing I would like to see is restrooms at ALL parks. We have entered into a contract to do a Parks Master Plan including an update to the SDC methodology and a rate study. Once this process is complete we will have clear direction as to what the SDC funds can and cannot be spent on.</p>
28	<p>URD – Does the URD have to incur and expend the maximum indebtedness to be dissolved, or can it be dissolved when the outstanding debt is paid off? No, the URD does not have to expend all of the maximum indebtedness to be closed. The requirement is that all debt is paid in full before the district can be closed.</p>
54	<p>Why the increase in FTE's in Administration? This is due to allocations of staff time. There is only one new position being proposed in Administration. We have a PW Director now so the City Administrator time is not allocated directly to the PW funds/departments. Instead it is charged to Admin and allocated through OH. The City Attorney used to be allocated 40% to Court as he served as the Court Prosecutor, that has also changed and the Court now contracts out the Prosecutor services so most of the City Attorney time is allocated to Admin.</p>
78	<p>Why do we used a contract Transit Services provider? This give the City flexibility and is more cost effective than hiring our own staff and running the operations in house.</p> <p>Was there a study done to determine the cost of using contractors vs. employees? Yes, the Transit Director and Finance Director worked on a comparison of contracting vs. in-house, and contracting remains the most cost effective option.</p>
84	<p>Street Fund – what is Federal Fund Exchange? This is money that the State receives to be used by municipalities for street projects. It is Federal money that goes to the State and is then passed on to the cities.</p> <p>What is Miscellaneous Revenue and why does it fluctuate so much?</p> <p>The projected miscellaneous revenue for FY20-21 is ARP money to make up for lost revenue from the State Highway Fund and our Local Gas Tax. In FY19-20 the funds were related to money transferred from URA to Streets for the purchase of property related to the 99E connection to the Industrial Park Project. Usually this account is used for one-time revenues, such as sale of surplus equipment.</p>

85	<p>If we have not yet obtained all the Right-of-Way for the 99E connector, how certain are we that we can get that as needed? The City Administrator and PW Director have been working with the property owners regarding the needed ROW. The property owners are excited about this project and are working with the City to make this a success.</p> <p>What is included in the \$1.562 budgeted for the 99E Connector? Is this just R/W, or is there some construction also? This is for ROW, design and starting construction.</p> <p>What is the S Redwood project? I could not find this anywhere in the narrative? The S Redwood project is part of the Street Maintenance work that will be done in FY21-22. This is a new street that is being transferred to the City from the County.</p>
94	<p>What safeguards and guarantees does Canby have from its Technical Services provider regarding hacking and ransomware attacks?</p> <p>We have antivirus and anti-malware software installed on every computer. We also have software that checks all email in and out for virus and malware. Firewalls are in place for sites deemed unsafe or potentially dangerous.</p>
Councilor Parker	
5	<p>So I'm on page 5 and it says that after spending everything we plan to spend in the coming year we will end up on July 1, 2022 with 28% ending balance. However that excludes the sale of property and ARP reserve balances. I'm sure there's a reason why you excluded them but if you were to include them what would that do to our ending balance?</p> <p>We did not include the Library Sale and remaining ARP funds in the ending fund balance calculation because there have been no decisions about their use and may ultimately be transferred to other Funds. I did not want to skew our measurement with money that might not stay in the General Fund. If these funds ultimately end up allocated to General Fund use the ending fund balance would be 53%.</p> <p>And how much of those two funds that are not included are already earmarked for use?</p> <p>The amounts showing in the reserve lines have not been earmarked for use. I already earmarked some of the ARP funds directly to departments that had a loss in revenue, what shows in the reserve line is what is left over.</p> <p>It seems like we were sitting on a bunch of money here and if we were to add in the library sale and the ARP funds that goes up even more.</p>