Metropolitan Council

Proposed Calendar Year 2021 Unified Budget & Levies



Statutory Responsibilities

Planning

- Long-range Comprehensive Planning
- Regional Transportation Planning
- Regional Parks

Operations

- Regional Wastewater System
- Regional Transit System
- Metropolitan Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Grant Making

- Livable Communities Act
- Regional Parks and Trails



Council Budget Development

Unified Budget

Operating Budget

Operations
Pass-through
Debt Service
OPEB

Capital Program

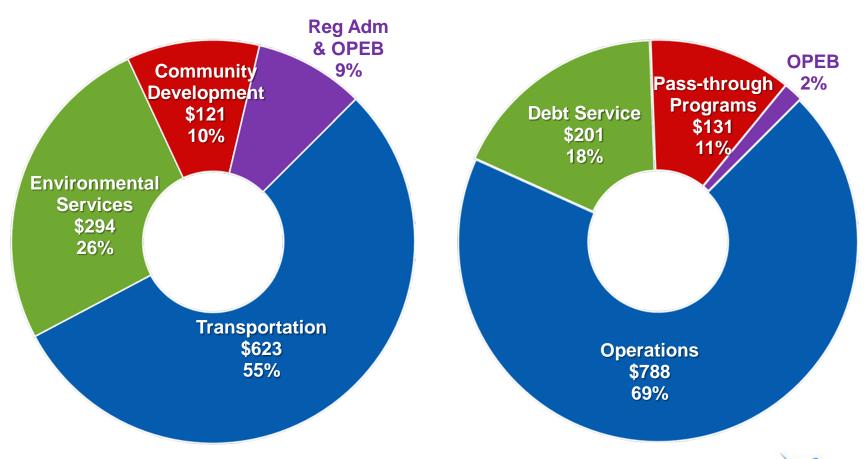
Authorized Projects
Planned (6-year)
Annual Spending

May-July	Staff - Budget Development Activities
Aug 26 (before Sept1)	Council - Adopt Preliminary Budget/Levies
Oct 14	Council - Capital Program Presentation
Oct 28	Council - Adopt Public Comment Draft Budget
Dec 09 (before Dec 20)	Council - Adopt Final Budget/Levies



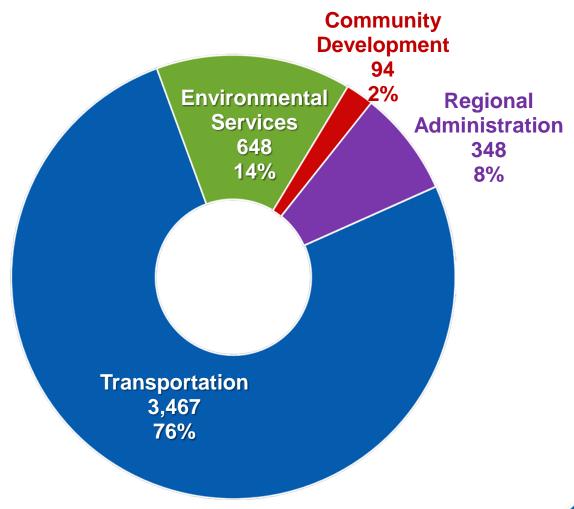
Proposed 2021 Operating Budget

Uses by Division and Function: \$1.138 Billion



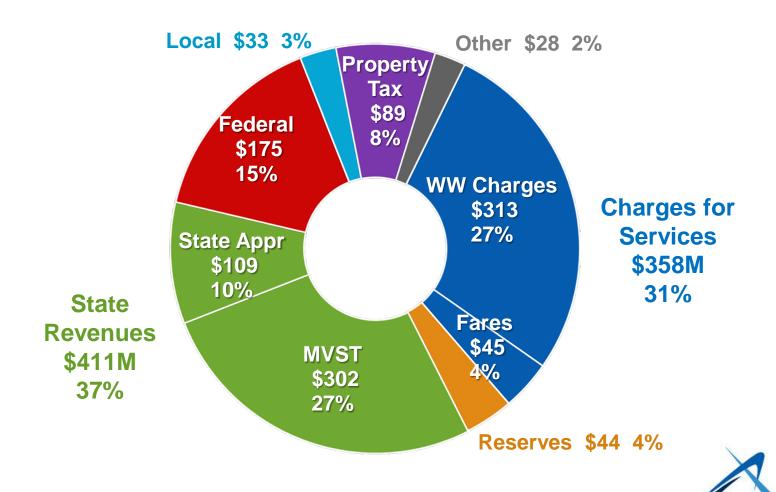


Proposed FTEs 4,557



Proposed Operating Budget

Funding Sources - \$1.138 Billion



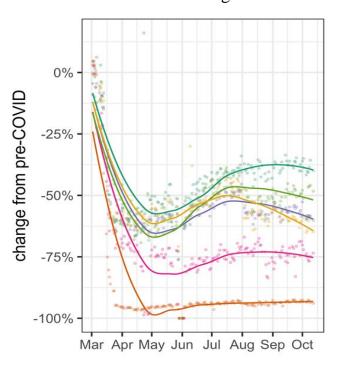
Wastewater Charges - \$314M

- Municipal Wastewater Charge (+2.0%)
 - \$2.75 increase per residential equivalent connection
 - 2021 = \$240.3M (\$4.7M higher than 2020)
- Sewer Access Charge (No Change)
 - \$2,485 per SAC (rate flat since 2014)
- Industrial Strength Charge (+2.4%) and Permit Fees (+2.0%)



Significant Pandemic Ridership Impact

BRT and local bus ridership has been more resilient during COVID-19



- BRT
- Suburban Local
- Core Local
- Supporting Local
- Light Rail
- Commuter Express& Northstar

Sept Weekday ridership

•Bus: ~ 62,000

-2019: ~ **151,000**

• LRT: ~ 27,000

–2019: ~ 77,000

• Northstar: ~ 120

–2019: ~ **2,400**



CARES Act Summary

\$226.5M Total Appropriation

- \$214.3M to Council
- \$12.2M to Suburban Providers

Allocation Strategy

- Consistent with CARES Act goals of supporting COVID-induced financial challenges
- Clear and transparent distribution
- Council CARES Act allocated among modes as function of estimated CY20 and CY21 lost fare and MVST revenues in May 2020
- Balance CY20 and CY21 budgets in each mode

Council Service	CARES Act Funds
Metro Transit Bus	\$158.9
Light Rail	32.4
Contracted Fixed Route	8.8
Metro Mobility	7.0
Commuter Rail	3.3
Transit Link	3.1
Planning	0.9
Total Funding	\$214.4



Dollars in millions

Where we started last year

Council CY 2020 Proposed Budget (Nov 2019 State Forecast)	SFY 2020-21	SFY 2022-23
Structural Position	(107.8)	(148.0)
Non-Base State Appropriation	36.2	-
Available Program Reserves	67.0	5.2
Financial Position	(4.6)	(142.8)
Metro Mobility	(3.0)	(79.4)
Light Rail and Commuter Rail	-	(4.9)
Bus Operations and Planning	(1.6)	(58.5)

Dollars in millions



Updated Transportation Program Forecast

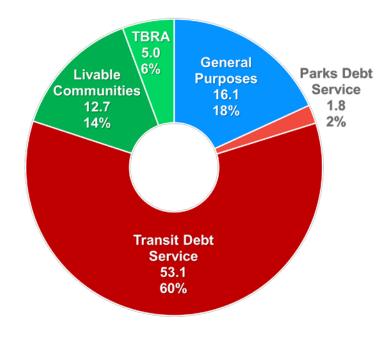
Council CY 2021 Proposed Budget (Sept 2020 Revenue Projection)	SFY 2021	SFY 2022	SFY 2023	SFY 2022-23
Base Revenues for Operations	602.2	598.7	602.9	1,201.6
Operating Expenses	616.3	641.5	684.0	1,325.5
Structural Position	(14.1)	(42.8)	(81.1)	(123.9)
Non-Base State Appropriation	13.0	-	-	-
Available Program Reserves	0.1	30.9	14.0	44.9
Financial Position	(1.0)	(11.9)	(67.1)	(79.0)

Dollars in millions



Proposed 2021 Property Tax Levies - \$88.7M

	Certified		Proposed					
	2020		2021		Pct Chg		Limit	
Non-Debt Service Levies								
General Purposes	\$	15.7	\$	16.1	2.9%	\$	16.1	
Highway Right of Way		-		-			4.3	
Livable Communities:								
- Demonstration Acct		12.3		12.7	2.9%		12.7	
- Tax Base Revitalization		5.0		5.0	0.0%		5.0	
Total Non-Debt Levies		33.0	\$	33.8	2.4%	\$	38.1	
Levy as Pct of Limit				88.7%				
Debt Service Levies								
Parks	\$	-	\$	1.8	100.0%			
Transit		55.8		53.1	-4.7%			
Total Debt Levies	\$	55.8	\$	54.9	-1.5%			
Total All Levies	\$	88.7	\$	88.7	0.0%			

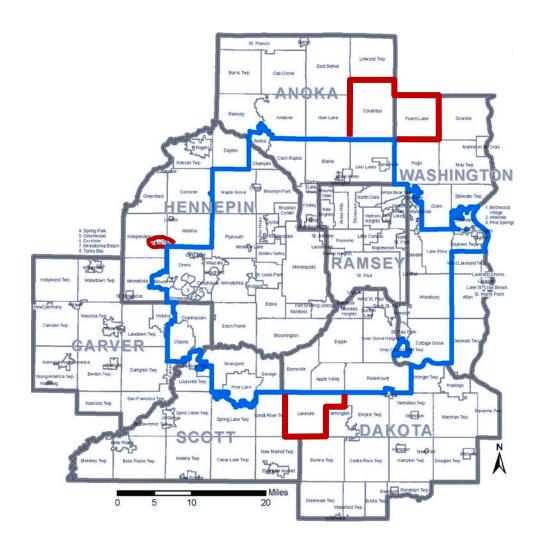




Impact on the Taxpayer



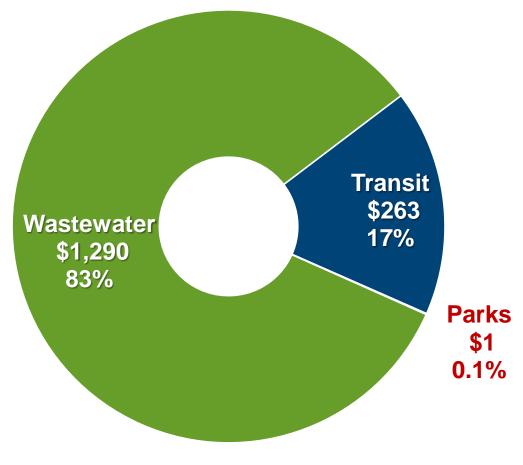
Metro Area Transit Debt Service Levy





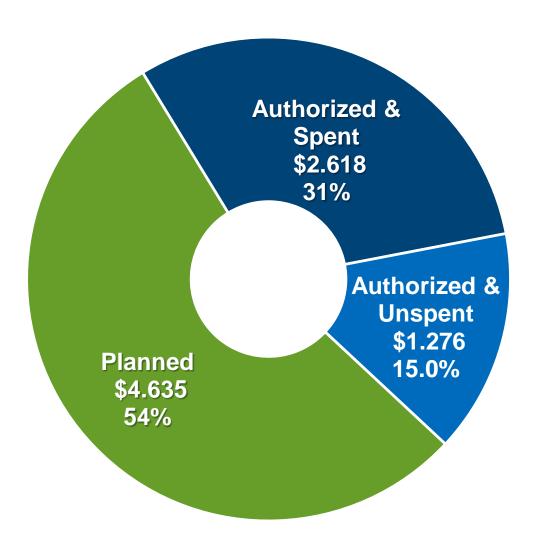
Outstanding General Obligation Debt as of December 31, 2019 - \$1.55 B

AAA/Aaa Bond Rating



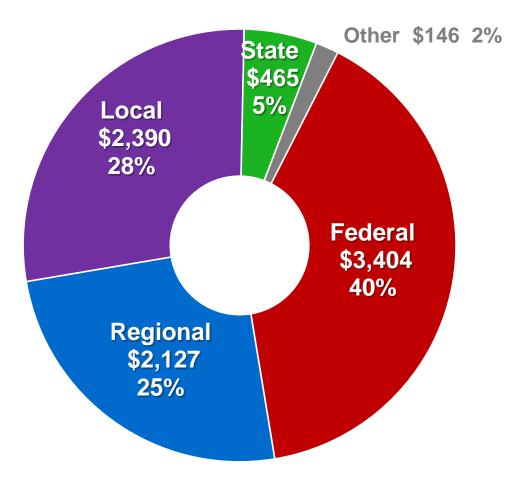


Proposed 2021 Capital Program - \$8.5B





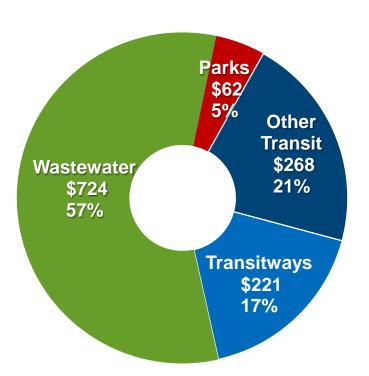
Proposed Capital Program by Funding Source - \$8.5B



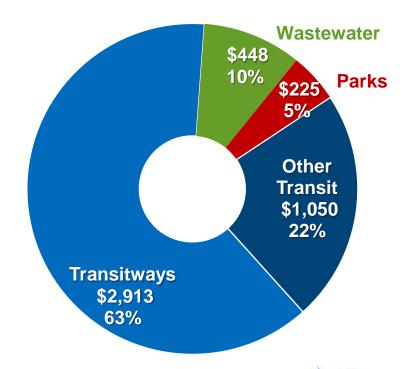


Future Capital Program Spending - \$5.9B

Authorized Capital Program - \$1.3B



6-Yr Capital Improvement Plan - \$4.6B





Questions

