The City of Evanston's Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget by the Numbers

Meetings at Morton Civic Center

Monday, October 23, 2017, 7pm*

FY 2018 Budget Discussion

Saturday, October 28, 2017, 9am-1pm

Special City Council meeting
Public Hearing—Truth in Taxation
Public Hearing—FY 2018 Proposed Budget
Preliminary Tax Levy Estimate
(Tax Levy Ordinances Introduced)

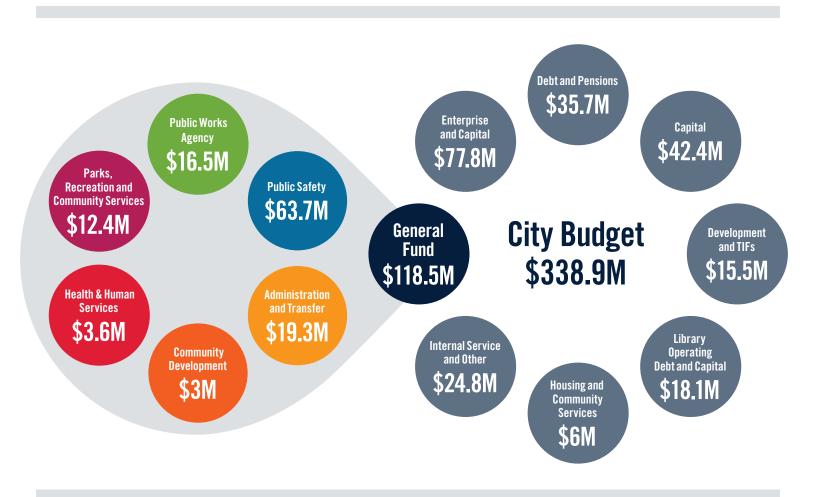
Monday, November 6, 2017, 7pm

2018 Budget Discussion (if needed)

Monday, November 27, 2017, 7pm*

2018 Budget & 2017 Tax Levy Adoption

* Meeting times are approximate





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Published Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget

The City of Evanston published the Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget on October 6, 2017.

The total proposed operating budget for FY 2017 is \$338,888,344 for all budgeted funds, including interfund transfers. This represents an increase of \$30,120,892, or 9.8%, as compared to the FY 2017 Amended Budget. A majority of this increase comes from the inclusion of three major capital projects (Robert Crown Community Center and Library, the Main Library renovations, and the replacement of the underground reservoir at the Water Plant). When interfund transfers are excluded from this calculation, the total Proposed FY 2018 Budget for all funds is \$280,519,793. The complete proposed document and schedule is available for viewing on the City of Evanston website at cityofevanston.org/budget.

The annual budget is a policy document which sets the financial course for the City of Evanston and defines the service priorities provided to the community. It is the culmination of months of effort by the entire City staff, as well as residents, to balance available resources with the actual and desired services required by Evanston residents, businesses and visitors.

As indicated in the 2018 Budget Transmittal Memo, on page 17, this Budget includes a proposed \$421,742 increase for Police and Firefighter Pensions and a proposed increase of \$541,912 for the Library Operating Fund.

The General Fund

The General Fund is the City's largest fund. It is responsible for the majority of all daily governmental operations, excluding Fleet, Parking, Library, Water, Sewer and Solid Waste services.

The General Fund depends upon a variety of revenue sources to fund its services. Many of these revenues are subject to fluctuations based on the economy, although demands and costs for government services typically either remain constant or increase. General Fund revenues are projected to decrease due to changes in building permit revenues and the passage of the State of Illinois 2017-18 Budget. FY 2018 General Fund baseline revenues are anticipated to be \$112,411,186. The 2018 Proposed Budget document includes a number of changes to revenues and expenses in order to bring the General Fund to balance.

Contact Summary

Questions or comments regarding the FY 2018 Proposed Budget may be submitted via:

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