# FY 2021 Proposed Budget

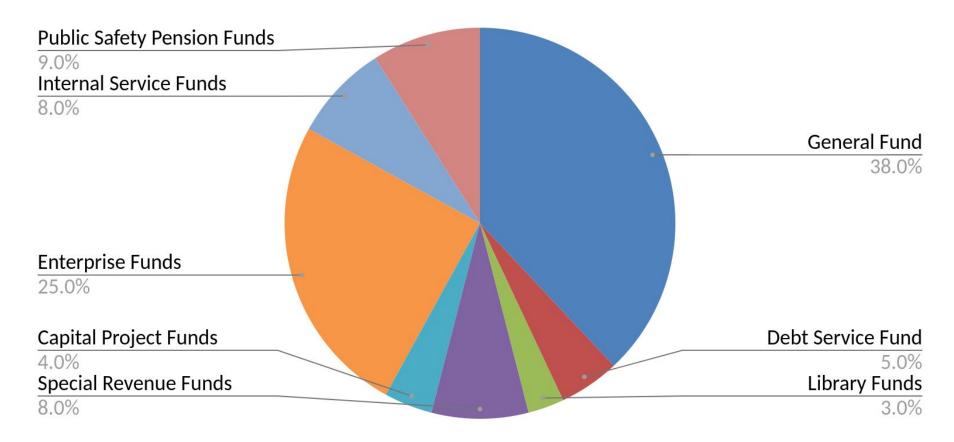
**City of Evanston** 

October 2020



# 2021 Proposed Budget - All Funds

#### All Funds Proposed Budget = \$299,758,809





# 2020 Projections - General Fund

- 2020 Projected Revenue Shortfall = \$12 million = 10%
  - Loss of sales tax, income tax
  - No loss in property tax revenue
- Expense reductions and new revenue = \$8.3 million
- 2020 Budgeted surplus = \$1.6 million
- 2020 Projected Year-End Deficit = \$2.1 million
- 2020 Projected Year-End Balance = \$13.7 million

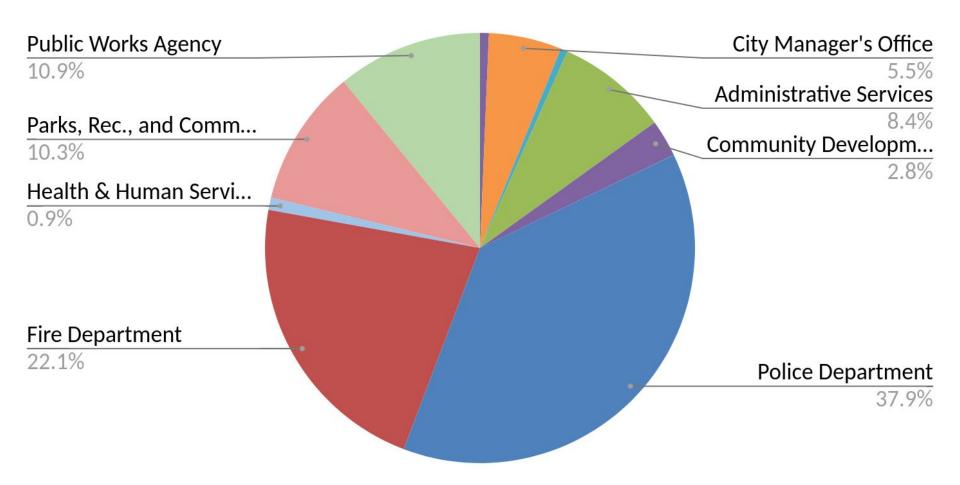


# **2021 General Fund Projected Revenues**

- \$8 million revenue loss compared to 2020 budget
- Major losses due to COVID-19 to:
  - Hotel tax, athletic contest tax, amusement tax, parking tax, real estate transfer tax
- Moderate losses to sales tax, income tax
- Wheel tax late fee to be reduced from current rate of \$42.50 to \$25, effective October 1, 2021



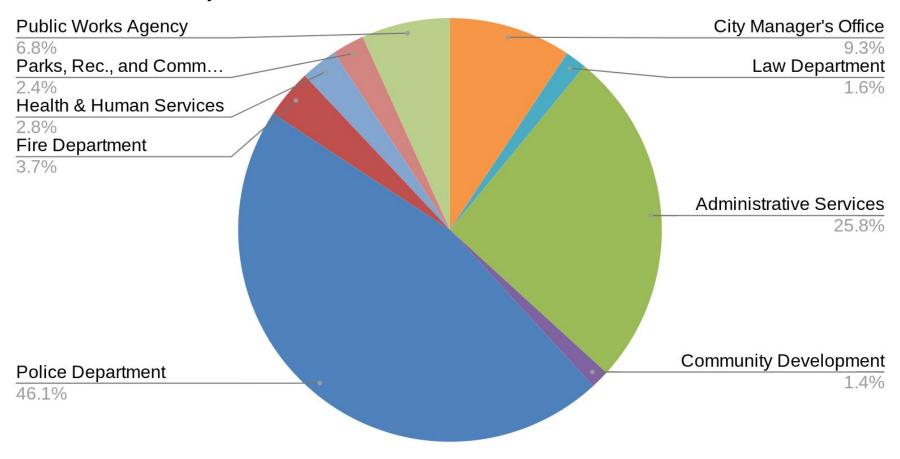
# 2021 Proposed General Fund





# **2021 Budget Balancing**

#### **Distribution of Expense Cuts**





# **Position Changes**

- 15 positions eliminated savings of \$1.2 million
- Includes 11 Police Officer positions (all vacant)
  - Sworn officer positions from 165 to 154
  - Current employment is 146 will not see a reduction in service as a result of vacant positions eliminated
- 26 positions held vacant savings of \$2.3 million
  - These positions to be reconsidered for 2022 budget
  - Added \$350,000 across departments for overtime, temporary staff, and contracts

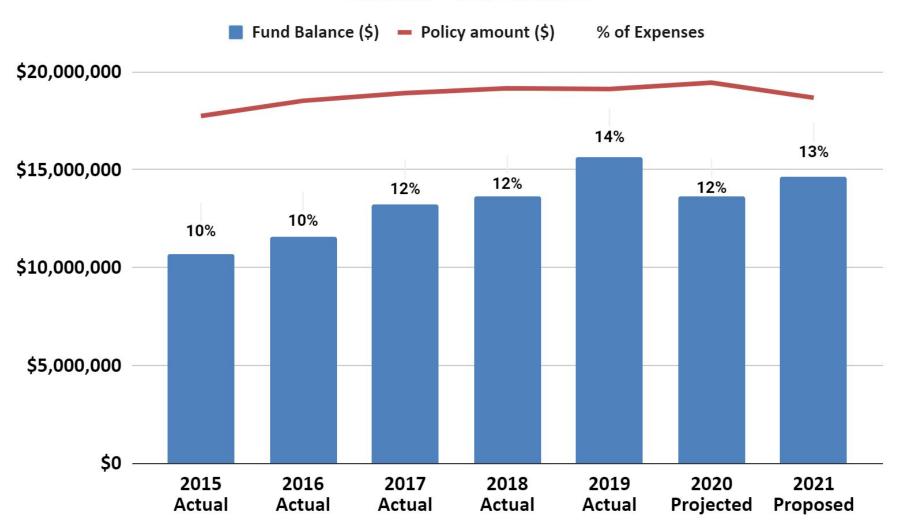


#### **General Fund Balance**

- Worksheet includes \$1 million contribution to fund balance
- Supported by \$500,000 property tax increase
- Brings fund balance to \$14.7 million or 13% of expenses
- Fund balance policy is 16.6% of expenses or about \$18-19 million



#### **General Fund Balance**





## **Human Services Fund**

• In 2020, all social service functions were moved out of the General Fund and into the separate Human Services Fund. Fund also includes Amita health contract and mental health board allocations

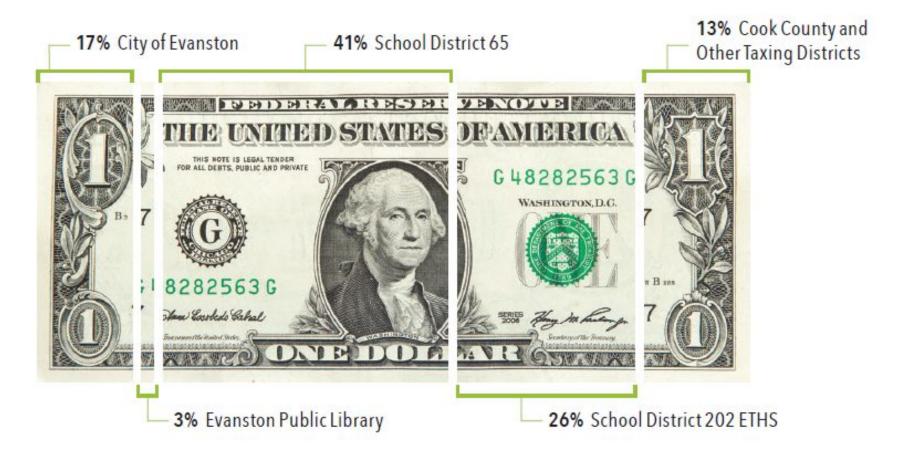
#### Proposed property tax increase includes:

- Increase in baseline expenses for existing programs (\$250,000)
- New Alternative Emergency Response program (\$200,000)
- Increase in support for senior services (\$50,000)



## **Property Taxes**

For every dollar of property tax paid, the City receives 17 cents.





# **Property Taxes**

|                                 | 2020 Budget  | 2021 Budget  | Proposed<br>Increase | Increase as % of total levy |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| General Fund Tax Levy           | \$9,495,300  | \$9,995,300  | \$500,000            | 0.9%                        |
| Human Services Fund             | 3,110,000    | 3,660,000    | 550,000              | 1.0%                        |
| Solid Waste Fund                | 1,332,500    | 1,332,500    | -                    | 0.0%                        |
| Debt Service Fund               | 12,521,921   | 13,936,263   | 1,414,342            | 2.6%                        |
| Fire Pension Fund               | 8,967,037    | 9,346,778    | 379,741              | 0.7%                        |
| Police Pension Fund             | 10,900,650   | 11,106,461   | 205,811              | 0.4%                        |
| City Total                      | \$46,327,408 | \$49,377,302 | \$3,049,894          | 5.5%                        |
| General Assistance Total        | 1,080,000    | 1,300,000    | 220,000              | 0.4%                        |
| Library Total                   | 7,732,145    | 7,734,243    | 2,098                | 0.0%                        |
| City and Library Total Net Levy | \$55,139,553 | \$58,411,545 | \$3,271,992          | 5.9%                        |



# **Property Taxes**

| Market Value of<br>Property | Current<br>Estimated City<br>Tax | Projected City Tax<br>with Proposed<br>Increase | Estimated<br>Increase<br>Amount |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| \$100,000                   | \$485                            | \$513   | \$28                            |
| \$200,000                   | \$970                            | \$1,027   | <b>\$57</b>                     |
| \$400,000                   | \$1,940                          | \$2,054   | <b>\$114</b>                    |
| \$500,000                   | \$2,425                          | \$2,568   | <b>\$143</b>                    |
| \$800,000                   | \$3,880                          | \$4,108   | \$228                           |



### **Solid Waste Fund**

- Residential refuse fee increases (\$178,750)
  - 65 gallon cart increase monthly cost from \$9.14 to \$10.15
  - 95 gallon cart increase monthly cost from \$20.64 to \$22.91
- Condominium refuse fees increase monthly cost from \$8.85 to \$9.82 per unit (\$33,000)
- Apartment refuse fees increase monthly cost from \$1.85 to \$2.52 per unit (\$26,500)
- Yard waste fee Increase annual cost from \$25 to \$35 (\$75,000)

