

# Budget Outlook & Department Instructions

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### Agenda

- Joint Report
- Looking Forward
  - Existing Areas of Concern
  - Future Risks / Uncertainty
- Next Steps / Budget Instructions for Departments



- In the short term, fiscal picture is similar to last year.
- In the medium to long term
  - $_{\circ}$  Existing areas of concern:
    - 1) Growing employee costs;
    - 2) Cost shift from state on IHSS; and
    - 3) Large number of baselines and set asides.
  - $_{\circ}$  Future risks / uncertainty related to:
    - 1) The timing of the economic cycle;
    - 2) Federal risks: tax reform, Affordable Care Act, and budget.



### Summary

- Need to continue responsible fiscal policies:
  - Building our reserves;
  - Limit on-going cost growth; and
  - Fund strategic one-time investments.
- Instructions to Departments:
  - Revenue or reduction targets (2.5% growing to 5%);
  - No growth and absorb cost increases; and
  - No new FTEs.



# Joint Report



# Joint Report Projection – Assumptions

- "Base case" projection
- Revenue
  - Economy strong but revenue growth slowing and signs of growth constraints

### Salary and Benefits

- Benefit cost increases health and pension
- Inflation increase on personnel (average of Moody's & CA DOF)

### • Citywide Costs

- Inflation on nonpersonnel (including grants for nonprofits)
- IHSS cost increases from the State
- Funding the Hall of Justice Exit plan



## Joint Report Projection

#### FY 18-19 FY 19-20 FY 20-21 FY 21-22 % of Uses

Total - Sources	189.9	450.7	330.3	436.8	
Uses					
Baselines & Reserves	(78.2)	(117.0)	(158.1)	(180.3)	16%
Salaries & Benefits	(132.7)	(290.8)	(437.8)	(559.0)	49%
Citywide Operating Budget Costs	(50.6)	(152.5)	(208.8)	(282.0)	25%
Departmental Costs	(16.6)	(63.8)	(86.8)	(124.9)	11%
Subtotal - Uses	(278.1)	(624.1)	(891.4)	(1,146.0)	100%
Projected Cumulative Surplus / (Shortfall)	(88.2)	(173.4)	(561.2)	(709.3)	

Approx. \$262 million for the upcoming two-year budget. Mayor must introduce a balanced budget each year.

### Joint Report Projection - Projected Expenditure Growth

- Total projected expenditure growth over the four year period is \$1.1 billion
- The salaries and benefits section is driven by inflation on wages, and pension and health cost increases
- For Citywide operating costs, 42% of this growth is inflation on non-personnel & grants to nonprofits
- For baselines and set asides, MTA and the Children's Fund make up 76% of the growth
- For Departmental costs, 65% of the growth is related to the IHSS cost shift from the state









# Looking Forward

Existing Areas of Concern Future Risks / Uncertainty



# Looking Forward – Structural Deficit

Projected 4th Year Deficit

(in millions) \$746 800 \$709 \$713 700 In the longer 600 \$538 term, \$495 500 structural \$423 \$339 deficits are 400 on the rise. 300 200 100 0 Year 4 Pub. 2011 Pub. 2012 Pub. 2013 Pub. 2014 Pub. 2015 Pub. 2016 Pub. 2017

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# Looking Forward – Rapid Employee Cost Growth

- Pension supplemental COLA / loss of lawsuit, returns below 7.5%, and people living longer
- Wages CPI increasing and more employees
- Health benefits almost double-digit cost growth projected each year
  - Rich benefits; uncertainty at federal level pushing costs up



# Looking Forward – Employee Pension Cost Growth



Note: FY 2007-08 to FY 2015-16 figures were budgeted pension costs

- Pension obligations have
  increased nearly 5-fold between
  FY 2007-08 and FY 2017-18 and
  are projected to continue
  increasing.
- In FY 2017-18, pension payments accounted for 7% of General Fund expenditures – up from 2.5% in FY 2007-08.
- Major cost drivers include:
  - Past poor market performance
  - Changes in retiree longevity
  - Supplemental COLAs



# Looking Forward – Employee Compensation Cost Growth

Personnel costs per FTE have grown at more than twice the rate of inflation during the past decade.





- Baselines and set-aside spending has gone from 14% of General Fund sources in FY 94-95 to over 30% of projected current General Fund spending.
- It is a uniquely San Francisco problem:
  - San Francisco has **19** baselines and set asides
  - Across the entire state of California there are **10 baselines TOTAL**





#### Change in Annual IHSS Costs (in millions)





# Looking Forward – Risk on Economic Climate

#### Our current expansion is the 3rd longest since 1945



Length of economic expansion in years by start year, sorted longest to shortest

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# Looking Forward – Risk on Economic Climate

Fund balance and transfer tax are the biggest risk on the revenue side; these sources combined have been almost \$400 million lower in down years compared to FY 17-18 budgeted levels.



Fund Balance Transfer Tax



- Potential federal impacts from tax reform, healthcare changes, and federal budget:
  - Elimination of State and Local Tax (SALT) Deduction;
  - Reduction of mortgage interest deduction;
  - Repeal of ACA individual mandate could result in 13 million fewer insured nationwide, resulting in market uncertainty and higher premiums;
  - Efforts to convert Medicaid to a block grant or per capita cap also remain a risk; and
  - Potential or additional Federal Government shut downs.



# Next Steps / Department Budget Instructions



- What should we do about all of this? Continue with responsible fiscal practices such as:
  - Funding reserves
  - Control employee costs
  - Fund strategic one-time investments (capital, information technology, and equipment)
  - Long-term savings proposals
  - Limited on-going spending growth; especially limit FTE growth since employee costs growing faster than inflation



- FY 2018-19 & FY 2019-20: Propose **on-going reductions** and revenues equal to 2.5% of adjusted General Fund support in each year (growing to 5% in the second year of the budget)
- Departments **should not grow** budgeted and funded FTE count
- Enterprise / self supporting must absorb all known cost increases
- Legally mandated to balance the budget by June 1



# Budget Instructions for Departments

- Mayor's Office and Controller's Office will continue to work with departments to align budget with strategic planning
- Citywide Strategic Initiatives please highlight how any proposed changes to your department's budget align with these principles
- Updating Performance Measures to align with Strategic Plans

http://sfmayor.org/strategy-and-performance



# Questions?