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**Special Meeting of the Citizens Oversight Committee for  
Bakersfield Public Safety and Vital Services Measure (PSVS)  
Of the City Council - City of Bakersfield**

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and Vital Services Measure (PSVS) Of the City Council – City of Bakersfield

Thursday, March 25, 2021

12:00 PM

City Hall South  
1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield CA 93301  
City Council Chambers

## **AGENDA**

**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. Adoption of minutes from the February 11, 2021, Oversight Committee Meeting.

*Staff recommends adoption of minutes.*

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. Public Comments

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Fiscal Year 2021-22 Public Safety/Vital Services Proposal Overview.

*Staff recommends the Committee receive and file the report.*

**5. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

**6. ADJOURNMENT**



# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 3/25/2021

2. a.

**TO:** Bakersfield Public Safety Vital Services Measure Committee  
**FROM:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk  
**CREATED BY:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk  
**DATE:** 3/25/2021  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Adoption of minutes from the February 11, 2021, Oversight Committee Meeting.

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of minutes.

## BACKGROUND:

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**MINUTES**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Sanders, Vice Chair Hibbard (participated by phone arrived at 12:06 p.m.), Committee Members Perez-Andreesen (Participating by phone), Holt, Keller (Participating by phone) Louie, Prince (Participating by phone arrived at 12:08 p.m.), Rowland (seated at 12:06 pm), Tobias.

Absent: None

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 4, 2021 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Motion by Committee Member Louie second by Committee Member Tobias to adopt minutes from the February 4, 2021, Oversight Committee Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Chair announced that a staff memorandum was provided transmitting public comments received after the publication of the agenda.**

- A. Riddhi S. Patel made comments regarding defunding the Police Department and encouraged the Committee to consider the People's Budget Bakersfield recommendations regarding spending and investment in the community.
- B. Eddy Laine, Sierra club, provided written materials and requested equitable distribution of parks funding. He further requested that the Committee pause the process to obtain additional public input.

- C. Damon Hunt, DalPiva, spoke regarding collaborating with the city by offering services at the Navigation Center and requested funding.
- D. Michael Turnipseed spoke in support of Mr. Laine's comments and expressed concerns regarding staffing and creating positions that will require a continued funding commitment from Measure N. He further expressed concern regarding funding for housing and the need to develop a strategic plan.
- E. Arleen Waller made comments stating that Measure N dollars should be allocated to work towards racial equity.

#### **4. DEFERRED BUSINESS**

- F. Fiscal Year 2020-21 Mid-Year Measure Budget Update  
*Staff recommends the Committee find the proposed mid-year PSVS allocations consistent with the projects, programs and services described within the Measure.*

Strategic Plan for Old Town Kern and South East Bakersfield – not agendized

***Motion by Committee Member Rowland, second by Committee Member Keller, to recommend to the City Council that they direct city staff to formulate a plan to set aside a significant amount of PSVS money in the upcoming budget for the revitalization of blighted areas of Bakersfield, including and focused on Old Town Kern and South East Bakersfield. Motion unanimously approved.***

Digital Public Safety Regional Radio Project

***Motion by Committee Member Rowland, second by Committee Member Louie, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Digital Public Safety Regional Radio Project in the amount of \$3 million. Motion unanimously approved.***

Co-Chair Hibbard asked whether the overall cost remains \$17 million and what the ongoing maintenance cost associated with the project would be.

City Manager Clegg explained that the costs remains the same, some ongoing maintenance cost to be covered by internal services funds that will be planned and budgeted for.

Enterprise Resource Planning

***Motion by Committee Member Keller, second by Committee Member Louie, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Enterprise Resource Planning in the amount of \$5 million. Motion approved with Committee Member Perez-Andreesen voting no.***

Committee Member Perez-Andreesen explained that this item will be implemented in fiscal year 22-23; therefore the \$5 million should be allocated to parks.

Neighborhood Parks Deferred Projects

***Motion by Committee Member Perez-Andreesen, second by Committee Member Tobias, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Neighborhood Parks Deferred Projects in the amount of \$3 million. Motion unanimously approved.***



City Reserves/Rainy Day Fund

**Motion by Committee Member Tobias, second by Committee Member Prince, to recommend to the City Council approval of the City Reserves/Rainy Day fund in the amount of \$4 million. Motion unanimously approved.**

Code Enforcement Rapid Response Team

**Motion by Committee Member Keller, second by Committee Member Holt, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Code Enforcement Rapid Response Team in the amount of approximately \$1 million. Motion unanimously approved.**

Differential Response Pilot Program

**Motion by Committee Member Tobias, second by Committee Member Keller, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Differential Response Pilot Program in the amount of \$135,000. Motion unanimously approved.**

Downtown Security Patrol Expansion

**Motion by Committee Member Holt, second by Committee Member Rowland, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Downtown Security Patrol Expansion in the amount of \$100,000. Motion unanimously approved.**

Downtown Waste Clean Up Expansion

**Motion by Committee Member Keller, second by Committee Member Perez-Andreesen to recommend to the City Council approval of the Downton Waste Clean Up Expansion in the amount of \$50,000. Motion unanimously approved.**

Clean City Initiative Coordinator

**Motion by Committee Member Holt, second by Committee Member Prince, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Clean City Initiative Coordinator in the amount of \$50,000. Motion approved with Member Rowland voting no.**

Member Rowland cautioned the Committee, city staff, and the City Council about the hiring of positions with PSVS funding as it is a long-term, commitment.

Citywide Weed and Nuisance Vegetation Abatement Program

**Motion by Committee Member Holt, second by Committee Member Keller, to recommend to the City Council approval of the Citywide Weed and Nuisance Vegetation Abatement Program in the amount of \$300,000. Motion unanimously approved.**

Committee Member Holt recommended that there be a partnership with the Homeless Collaborate Group identical to other litter abatement programs the city has.

City Manager Clegg clarified that this project is a preventative abatement program that will spray areas in advance of vegetation and the City will explore whether a partnership applies in this instance.

Committee Member Prince recommended that the agreement for usage of an outside private firm be for a one-year term to allow bidding by the public annually. Chair Sanders supported the recommendation.

## **5. COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

Chair Sanders stressed the importance of the revitalization of parks, and asked for a way to see what priorities are for the community. She made a recommendation to suggest a way the community can participate in the upgrades in their parks, to have the community vested in the upgrades.

Committee Member Rowland mentioned with regard to parks and especially MLK park, that it is not enough to make the grass green and trim the trees, it is also important to make those parks safe for people and families who utilize the facilities. He further stated that the option of police officers being stationed at the parks, increased patrol or even private security be considered.

Vice Chair Hibbard requested a running total of costs of approved positions and programs to compare where we are and project future needs to make sure our percentage of Measure N money that's going towards staffing is kept within a range that is acceptable and the majority is going towards one-time projects, not part of an ever-growing city budget.

Committee Member Rowland stated that instead of hiring a permanent city employee, the city should consider contracting some of these services out so we are only committed a year at a time to some of these projects and positions.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT at 1:48 pm**



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**TO:** Bakersfield Public Safety Vital Services Measure Committee

**FROM:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk

**CREATED BY:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk

**DATE:** 3/25/2021

**WARD:**

**SUBJECT:** Public Comments

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

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## CITY CLERK'S OFFICE MEMORANDUM

March 24, 2021

**TO: HONORABLE CHAIR AND COMMISSION MEMEBERS**

**FROM: JULIE DRIMAKIS, CITY CLERK**

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC STATEMENTS**

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This memorandum is to transmit correspondence submitted after publication of the Agenda.

From	Subject	Type	Received
Eddy Laine	FY 2021 recommendations	Letter	March 24, 2021 3:48 PM

Attachments

March 24, 2021

Beatris Sanders, Chair  
Public Safety and Vital Services Committee  
City of Bakersfield  
1600 Truxtun Avenue  
Bakersfield, CA. 93301

2021 MAR 24 PM 3:48  
BAKERSFIELD CITY CLERK

Dear Ms. Sanders and Members of the Committee:


This is written with regard to the recommendations for FY 2021-22 being discussed at the PSVS Committee meeting tomorrow—March 25, 2021.

Some concerns and questions:

1. How is the public engaged in this process (seemingly not)?
2. How is information about the proposed expenditures of PSVS dollars readily available to the public?
3. What options are being given to the PSVS Committee (seemingly none)?
4. Habitat needs to be respected along the Kern River. Increasing numbers of homeless intrusions into the areas near the Kern River in all probability have violated Kern County's Zoning Ordinance Chapter 19.73.110, page 391 which requires that "native vegetation...remain undisturbed." How is this Ordinance being enforced? More generally conditions along the Kern River Parkway (in the City of Bakersfield) have considerably worsened during the last year (pictures are being submitted with this letter). Complaints have been discussed with members of the City Council and staff. How are these issues being addressed in these recommendations? Is there a comprehensive plan to address these issues?
5. Attached is a revised Summary of PSVS (Measure N) funding from the City of Bakersfield FY 2019-2020 and FY 2020-2021 Budgets for Parks. How is the issue of an equitable distribution of PSVS funding for parks being addressed?

I would hope that these questions will be addressed during the formulation of the PSVS funding for FY 2021-2022.

Sincerely,



Eddy Laine

cc: Mayor Goh and Members of the Bakersfield City Council  
Executive Committee, Sierra Club, Kern-Kaweah Chapter

**SUMMARY OF PSVS (MEASURE N) FUNDING FROM CITY OF  
BAKERSFIELD FY 2019-2020 AND FY 2020-2021 BUDGETS FOR PARKS**

Taken from a July 15, 2020 Bakersfield City Council Workshop Presentation by Diane Hoover, Parks and Recreation Director (page numbers refer to that presentation) and information provided by Rajan Mistry, Business Manager for the City of Bakersfield on March 2, 2021.

**FY 2019-2020 (\$13,902,000)**

**FY 2020-2021 (\$3,154,580)**

**Total funding: \$17,056,580 of which \$12,352,000 was allocated for Mesa Marin and Kaiser Permanente Sports Complexes (72% for these two complexes). Note: Priority 13 on the 2018 ballot measure was, "Enhancing Neighborhoods through additional code enforcement and improved park maintenance."**

**All Wards (page 7)**

<b>Drought Related Trees</b>	<b>\$800,000 (FY 2019-20)</b>
<b>Small Plant Replacement</b>	<b>\$750,000 (FY 2019-20)</b>
<b>Park Access Improvements</b>	<b>\$200,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Total (10.3% of total)</b>	<b>\$1,750,000</b>

**Ward 1 (page 10)**

<b>MLK, Jr. Park Access Improvements</b>	<b>\$63,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Planz Park Playground</b>	<b>\$302,500 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Total (2.1% of total)</b>	<b>\$365,000</b>

**Ward 2 (page 13)**

<b>Beach Park Skate Park Lights</b>	<b>\$250,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Wilson Park Access</b>	<b>\$54,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Park Trash Enclosures (various parks)</b>	<b>\$50,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Jastro Park Playground</b>	<b>\$302,500 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>McMurtrey Pool Shade Structure</b>	<b>\$77,500 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Total (4.3% of total)</b>	<b>\$734,100</b>

**Ward 3 (page 17)**

<b>Four Softball Fields (Mesa Marin)</b>	<b>\$7,500,000 (FY 2019-20)</b>
<b>Pickleball and Basketball (Mesa Marin)</b>	<b>\$352,000 (FY 2019-20)</b>
<b>Siemon Park Access</b>	<b>\$84,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>Park Trash Enclosures (various parks)</b>	<b>\$50,000 (FY 2020-21)</b>
<b>University Park Playground</b>	<b>\$412,500 (FY 2020-21)</b>

**Total (49.3% total) \$8,398,500**

**NOTE: Mesa Marin Projects were not reflected on page 17, but were provided in previous documentation about PVSP funding. Again, there is no public transportation available to Mesa Marin. It is eight 8 miles from downtown Bakersfield. It is located in Ward 3.**

**Ward 4 (page 20)**

**Windsor Park Playground \$330,000 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Total (1.9% of total) \$330,000**

**Ward 5 (page 23)**

**Haggin Oaks Park Tennis Court \$198,000 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Ward 5 (1.7% of total) \$198,000**

**Ward 6 (page 26)**

**Design (Kaiser Permanente) \$1,500,000 (FY 2019-20)**  
**Construction \$3,000,000 (FY 2019-20)**  
**Patriots Park Access Improvements \$230,000 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Grissom Park Access Improvements \$45,000 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Silver Creek Park Pool Improvements and Fitness Equipment \$403,480 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Grissom Park Playground \$302,500 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Total (32.1% of total) \$5,480,980**

**NOTE: Kaiser Permanente is not listed on page 26. However, Mr. Mistry clarified the funding sources with this \$3 million being a portion of \$8 million allocated during FY 2019-2020.**

**Ward 7 (page 29)**

**Improvements (Wilson Park) \$54,000 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Wilson Park Playground \$302,500 (FY 2020-21)**  
**Total (3.2% of total) \$356,500**

**TOTAL**

**Compiled by Eddy Laine**

**March 24, 2021**















































































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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 12:32:43 PM PDT

**Subject:** CLAPPER: The State of our Kern River Parkway between the Golden State Avenue Bridge and Chester Avenue Bridge

I do not have the adequate words to express my utter disappointment over how our jewel of a Kern River Parkway has deteriorated over the past several years. It is getting worse, sad to say, sad to see.

The Kern River Parkway is an subplan of the Kern River Plan which was the impetus for it becoming the Kern River Element in the Metropolitan Bakersfield General Plan, the premiere blueprint for the development of urban Bakersfield.

I spent my 19 years as a member of the Bakersfield City Council fighting for improving the Kern River from Manor Street west to the City limits. As chairman of the City of Bakersfield's Water Board, I made the motion to adopt the Kern River Parkway and the City of Bakersfield's water policies.

Community member and philanthropist Greg Bynum was there to see the early development of the Kern River Parkway. He cared. Bynum wrote me a check on the spot to put some volleyball courts in the Parkway.

We now have 4 homeless shelters in metropolitan Bakersfield: the first was the Mission at Kern County founded in the 1950s, then came the City's Bakersfield Homeless Shelter in the early 1990s, followed most recently by the County of Kern's M Street Navigation Center and the City of Bakersfield's East Brundage Avenue Navigation Center.

Our City and County governments are spending millions of dollars to build and operate their Navigation Centers to help the homeless but these works only reach a fraction of homeless individuals. For most homeless people are plagued with severe drug, alcohol and mental problems that our local governments lack the ability to handle and treat. These people need state institutional assistance.

We all know most homeless people will not avail themselves of help from these four shelters, even though these works that do a fine job with the resources and expertise they possess.

Some homeless are content to live on the streets, on vacant lots, in the doorways of our local businesses, under freeway bridges and along the Kern River Parkway.

There is a a high degree of variability in inflow and outflow last year of the homeless. In the past few years we have had a consistent inflow of newly homeless of between 2,000 to 3,000 annually. If 9 out of 10 are in Bakersfield, this gives a rough reading of the total needing to be served throughout the year, at least in normal years. These people need permanent housing. Some other communities have put up tents, even relocated the homeless into motels and hotels.

The 790 number of homeless given yesterday by Dr. Anna Laven, Executive Director of our Bakersfield Kern Regional Homeless Collaborative, before the Kern County Board of Supervisors, regarding the unsheltered subset are those who are eligible for permanent supportive housing. This describes the need across Kern County. It shows some, but not all, of those who are unsheltered.

Laven points there are supportive services, or case management, combined with a housing voucher for those who tend to have mental health and other challenges; these homeless are

sometimes more disruptive to our community and be the most concerning. They also require ongoing care to support their stability. Laven stated these individuals have the lowest recidivism rate (those who return to homelessness after two years.) Ongoing support works once these homeless are placed into housing.

<https://bkrhc.org/presentations-fact-sheets/>

Meanwhile, there is an immediate need for our City fathers to clean up the scourge plaguing our Kern River Parkway. See the above attachments to view the degradation along the mile or area of the Parkway between Goden State Avenue Bridge and Chester Avenue Bridge. Families with children who walk and ride the Bike Path see this eyesore firsthand.

Those of us who worked so hard to develop the KRP are trying to get the attention of the Bakersfield City Council to protect and preserve this recreational investment, asset, amenity. It is a quality of life issue. We want Bakersfield to grow up healthy, not just big. This includes the Kern River Parkway.

The problem is the current City Council lacks experience and institutional history or memory regarding how much work and money went into developing the par courses, rest stops, volleyball courts, 30-mile Class A Bike Path, Lake Truxtun and West Lake, disc golf course, trees, Spectrum Amphitheater, greenbelts, riparian habitat, River Oaks Park, Yokuts Park, Riverwalk Park, Beach Park, Uplands Park (which is a mess) and San Miguel Grove, Truxtun Lakes Parks. Nor does the Executive Staff of the City Council.

Measure N monies need to be allocated toward the maintenance and protection of the Kern River Parkway.



Sent from my iPhone



































































# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 3/25/2021

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**TO:** Bakersfield Public Safety Vital Services Measure Committee  
**FROM:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk  
**CREATED BY:** Julie Drimakis, City Clerk  
**DATE:** 3/25/2021  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Year 2021-22 Public Safety/Vital Services Proposal Overview.

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Committee receive and file the report.

## BACKGROUND:

### ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Admin Report	Staff Report
PowerPoint presentation	Presentation





# BAKERSFIELD

THE SOUND OF *Something Better*

March 22, 2021

**TO:** Citizens Oversight Committee

**FROM:** Christian Clegg, City Manager *CC*

**SUBJECT:** Public Safety and Vital Services Fiscal Year 2021-22 Overview

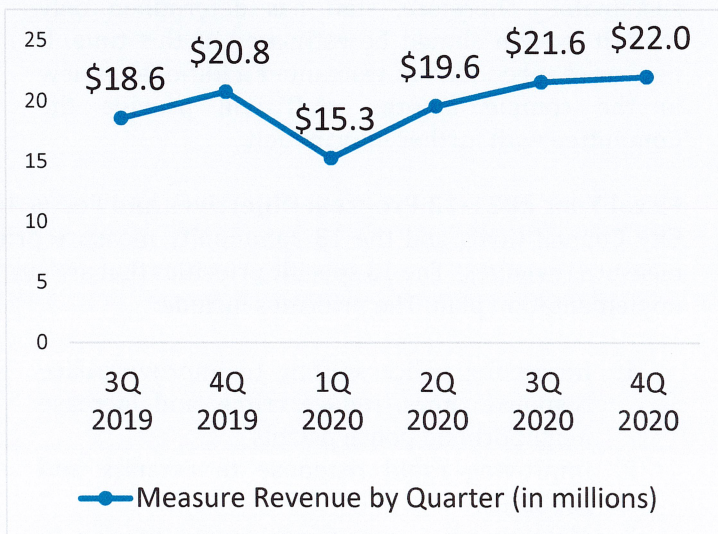
The first meeting of the Citizens Oversight Committee for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 (FY 22) proposal review will provide a high-level overview of the various factors and issues that will be considered as we move toward the third full year of Public Safety and Vital Services (measure) measure implementation. As discussed in further detail below, the City is expecting modest measure revenue growth in FY 22, generally commensurate with the relatively quick rebound the economy has experienced in the past eight months. The next phase of implementation will look slightly different than the prior two measure implementation proposals. Although there will be a continued focus on enhancing public safety and homelessness, there will be a specific focus on funding local parks projects, bolstering economic development programs and enhancing infrastructure throughout the City to address beautification and quality of life issues.

This memo and the presentation that will be provided by staff during the meeting will discuss three main areas as outlined below.

## Fiscal Year 2020-21 Measure Revenue Update and 2021-22 Fiscal Outlook

The FY 22 measure fiscal outlook is remarkably different than this same time last year. Around this same time last year, staff had to significantly alter measure revenue projections when the state and national governments took drastic measures, including restricting business activities within the City, to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Although the City saw some measure revenue declines in the first quarter of 2020, the subsequent three most recent quarters of 2020 reflect notable measure revenue gains as compared to the same quarters in 2019.

Preliminary data for the fourth quarter of 2020 was received by the City since the last Committee meeting. This quarter covers October, November and December of 2020, which accounts for the holiday shopping season. Cash receipts for the quarter totaled \$22.02 million, which exceed the same quarter in the prior (pre-pandemic) year by nearly six percent. For the quarter, general consumer goods, auto/transportation, business/industry and building and construction industry sectors are showing moderate to strong growth when





8. Maintaining a fully staffed and equipped Class II Rated Fire Department
9. Reducing homelessness through partnerships with service providers to increase outreach, sheltering, and construction of affordable housing
10. Addressing the fiscal stability of the City

11. Creating jobs through economic development, business retention / attraction, and workforce development
12. Enhancing amenities throughout the community to improve the quality of life and attract visitors
13. Enhancing neighborhoods through additional code enforcement and improved park maintenance

The FY 22 departments proposals that will be coming before the Committee over the course of the next two meetings will be reflective of the City's commitment to addressing these priorities through the strategic addition of staffing, enhanced programs and substantial capital improvement projects. These proposals will reflect the feedback and input of the City Council, the Committee and public stakeholders over the course of the past several years. In general, the next phase of measure investments will contain fewer staffing requests in total than in past years, but will propose strategic investments in key programs and services as well as large capital projects meant to significantly enhance the quality of life for all residents of Bakersfield.

The proposals will remain resource-intensive for public safety functions, primarily focused on new staffing for the Bakersfield Police Department, along with continued investments in reducing homelessness and addressing quality of life issues. Continued emphasis will be placed on ensuring the City continues to meet its general reserve plan, along with addressing large known capital projects. The proposals for the Police Department, Fire Department, Development Services Department and the Human Resources Department will generally fall into these broad topic areas. Several of the proposals for next fiscal will reflect a refined approach to economic and community development, local/neighborhood park improvements and infrastructure improvements in low income areas of the City. The proposals from the Economic and Community Development Department, Public Works Department, Recreation and Parks Department will cover these innovative new or expanded areas. Detailed fiscal, staffing and capital project information will be forthcoming at the April 9<sup>th</sup> and second April meeting, as outlined below.

Additionally, staff is estimating all prior year staffing and program enhancements will continue to be funded. Preliminary estimates project prior year (FY 19, FY 20 and FY 21) ongoing measure costs to be \$50.6 million in FY 22. This includes salary and benefits for all previously-approved measure-funded positions and ongoing non-staffing operating costs, which include items such as the Economic Opportunity Area funding, the Police Department body camera program and the Clean City Initiative teams. As compared to the estimated measure revenue for next fiscal year, the ongoing salary and benefits cost totals approximately 36 percent of available revenues, where as the non-salary and benefits ongoing costs are estimated at 18 percent. This does not include any additional staffing or ongoing costs associated with the proposals the Committee will receive over the course of the next 30 days.

A summary preview of department proposals for FY 22 is below. These proposals are intended to be in addition to the positions, programs and projects added in prior fiscal years. Some elements of the proposals are continuing to be refined and final staff recommended proposals will be included within the upcoming meeting agenda packets. No votes are expected at this first meeting related to items referred to in this summary.

- Bakersfield Police Department:
  - Addition of 28 sworn positions and necessary equipment/vehicles to continue to enhance call response, increase proactive patrol and enhancement community engage
  - Continues to move toward the hiring of 100 additional sworn officer positions
  - Addition of non-sworn professional staff to support ongoing operations and increases for demands for services in the area of:
    - Finance and accounting
    - Crime lab
    - Property room
    - Records
    - Communication center



- Development Services Department
  - Supplement non-rapid response team Code Enforcement staffing to address non-encampment issues affecting quality of life issues throughout neighborhoods across the City, such as nuisance properties, illegal property uses and neighborhood stability issues
  - Would add eight total positions and necessary equipment/vehicles
  - There has been no significant expansion of non-rapid response team staffing since 2018
  - Two additional planning positions to provide support for the citywide strategic initiatives of the General Plan Update and Annexation Strategy
  - Capital Projects:
    - Space modifications and facility improvements to the Development Services Department building to accommodate expanded Code Enforcement and Planning staff
- Human Resources Department
  - One Human Resources Analyst II position to focus predominately on the ongoing recruitment efforts for the Bakersfield Police Department
  - New allocation of less than \$85,000 to provide funding for ancillary costs associated with measure-related recruitments and training resources for police recruits
- Other Citywide Strategic Initiatives
  - Additional funds will be proposed to ensure the City is meeting its plan for a 60-day general reserve
  - Additional funds for large known projects, such as the regional public safety radio project, affordable housing and other facility needs
  - Expansion of security and clean up services throughout the City
  - Funds for process improvement, performance management and innovation projects
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#### **Fiscal Year 2021-22 Committee Review Process**

The Committee is expected to meet a minimum of three times to review the FY 2021-22 measure proposals. The schedule is structured to allow ample time for the Committee to review and make recommendations on each proposal. The schedule is as follows:

- March 25th
  - FY 2021-22 Measure Overview
    - Receive and file the presentation only; no further action requested
- April 9th
  - Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works Department Proposal Presentations
    - *Please note, department proposal memos, including staffing and project requests, will be included in the packet of information issued prior to this meeting date*
- April (TBD)
  - Recreation and Parks Department, Economic and Community Development Department, Development Services Department and Human Resources Department Proposal Presentations
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  - Staff will request the Committee make recommendations on all department proposals at this meeting



Bakersfield Public Safety and Vital Services Measure  
Citizens Oversight Committee  
FY 2021-22 Measure Overview





# Objectives and Outlook

- Review FY 22 Measure Proposals
- Consistency with 13 community priorities
- Make recommendations on the proposals based on the nexus
  - Provide input and recommendations connected with the proposals
- Review over three separate meetings
  - Today: Overview and general discussion on revenues and proposals
  - April 9<sup>th</sup>: Detailed discussions on department proposals
  - April (TBD): Detailed discussions on department proposals

# Objectives and Outlook

- Department memorandums and detailed fiscal information will be provided prior to the next two meetings
- Each department will come before the Committee to present its proposal and answer questions
- Staff will include recommendations and Committee feedback within the FY 22 budget information that goes to the City Council on May 5<sup>th</sup>



# Community Priorities

- 1) Increasing police staffing to improve police response times, reduce crime, and increase neighborhood police patrols
- 2) Improving rapid response to assaults and robberies
- 3) Maintaining / improving rapid response to gang violence
- 4) Investigating and proactively preventing property crimes, burglaries, and vehicle thefts
- 5) Keeping public areas safe and clean
- 6) Strengthening the capacity of the Special Enforcement Unit
- 7) Expanding the School Resource Officer Program
- 8) Maintaining a fully staffed and equipped Class II Rated Fire Department
- 9) Reducing homelessness through partnerships with service providers to increase outreach, sheltering, and construction of affordable housing
- 10) Addressing the fiscal stability of the City
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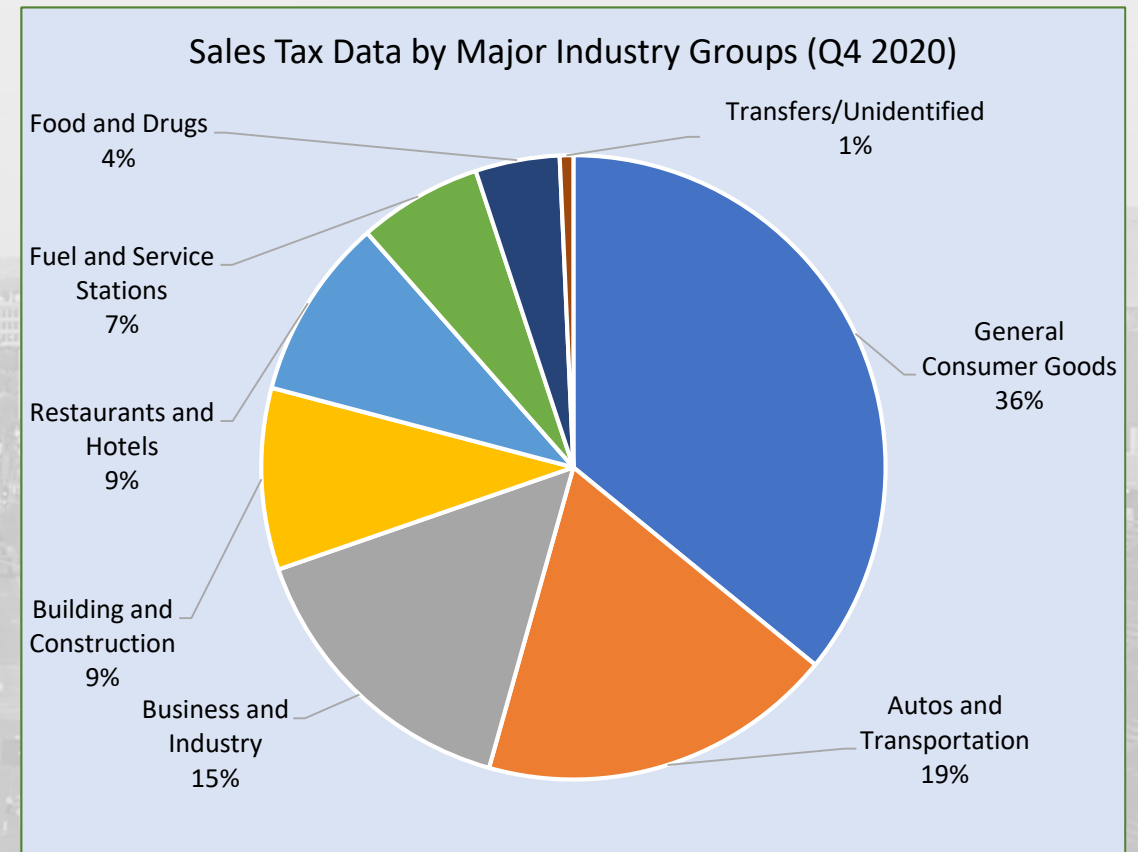
# FY 2021-22 Measure Overview

- Third full year of measure implementation
- Many critical staffing and community needs met through phases I and II implementation
- Revenue projections showing modest growth projections for next fiscal year
- Phase III proposals will be more limited in scope, but intended to have wider and bigger impacts across all corners of our community
- Focus on public safety, local parks projects, high profile infrastructure projects and ensuring the viability of local neighborhoods



# FY 2021-22 Revenue Update

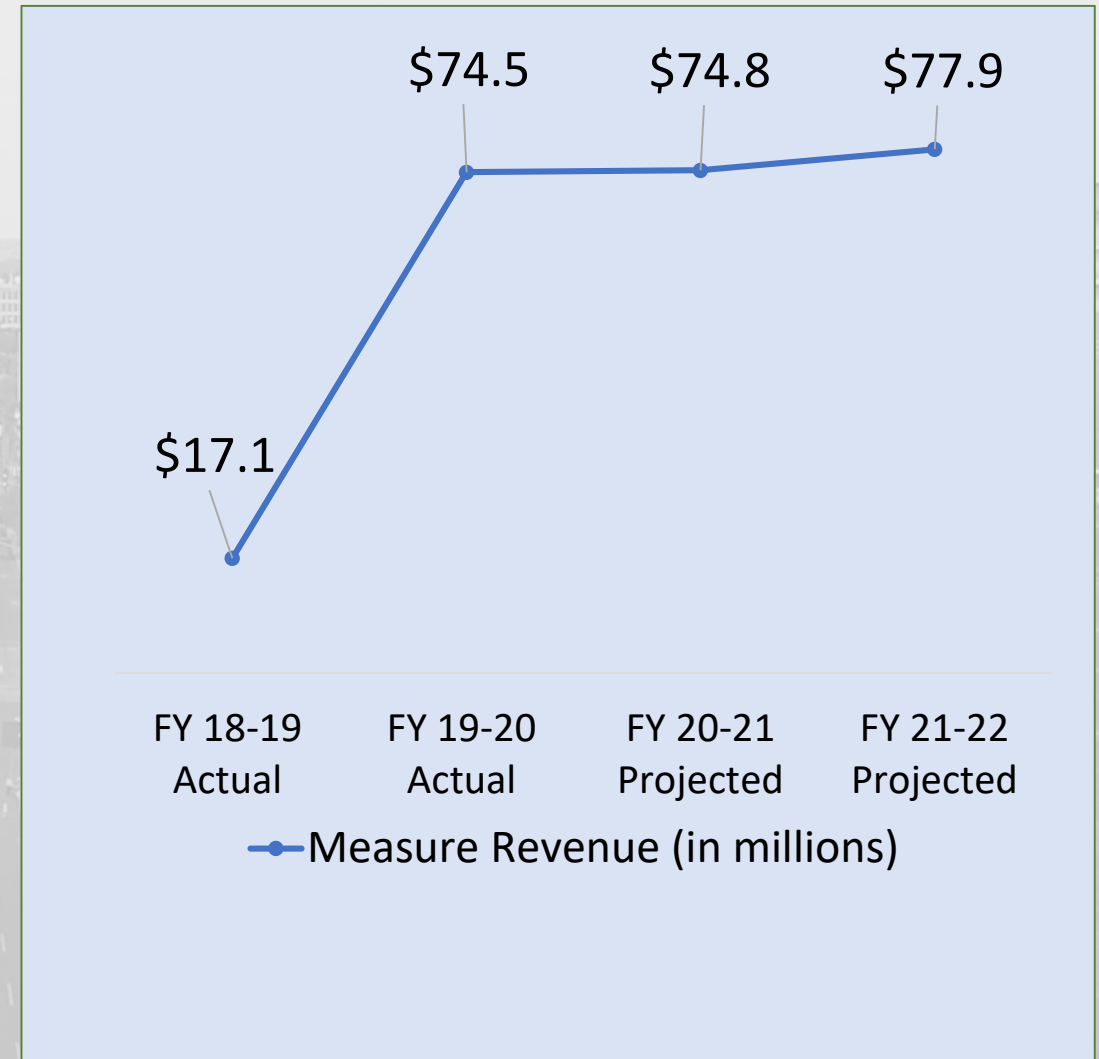
- Measure revenue rebounded quickly after first quarter 2020 declines
- Seeing quarter-over-quarter growth; holiday period was positive
- Sales activity remains strong in general consumer goods, auto sales and construction sectors
  - Includes online sales
- Restaurants, hotels and fuel/service stations continue to be impacted by COVID-19 restrictions
- State permitted deferrals increased in Q4 = \$1.2 million estimated





# FY 2021-22 Revenue Update

- Currently projecting modest revenue growth in FY 22
- Infusion of stimulus funding, business reopening plans, increased travel and general economic recovery anticipated
- However, must remain cautious that economic has generally been in growth mode for over 10 years
- Does not include FY 21 year end fund balance estimates that will be finalized in summer 2021







# Fiscal Year 22 Proposal Overviews

*Measure Objectives and Focus Areas*

# Fiscal Year 22

- Proposals will reflect recent feedback and input of the City Council, the Committee and public stakeholders
- Fewer staffing requests than in the past two cycles
- Focused on major initiatives meant to significantly and positively impact the entire community
- Large investments in public safety, local parks, economic development and beautification



# Fiscal Year 22

- Expect \$77.9 million in appropriations for next fiscal year
- \$37 million in projected ongoing expenditures for prior year programs
  - All previously approved staffing
  - Rapid response teams
  - Navigation Center
  - Clean City Teams
  - Economic opportunity areas
- Projected \$50 million for ongoing programs with FY 22 proposals
  - 36 percent salary and benefits; 18 percent other ongoing programs

# Public Safety – Police

- Addition of 28 sworn positions and necessary equipment/vehicles to continue to enhance call response, increase proactive patrol and enhancement community engagement
- Continues to move toward the hiring of 100 additional sworn officer positions
- Addition of non-sworn professional staff to support ongoing operations and increases for demands for services in the area of:
  - Finance and accounting
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# Local Parks and Streetscapes

- Augmentation of successful rapid response teams to continue to enhance streetscape and parks maintenance; four total positions and necessary vehicles/equipment
- Over \$4.6 million in neighborhood parks/local parks projects
  - Includes a \$1 million allocation to begin two local park reinvention projects
  - Facility needs assessments for Martin Luther King Jr and Silver Creek Community Centers
  - Five playground rehabilitation projects
    - Patriots, Windermere, Quailwood, River Oaks and Solera Gardens
  - Other projects: Jastro Park, Campus Park North & South, McMurtrey Aquatic Center, San Miguel Grove and citywide splash pad enhancements

# Economic and Community Development

- New or expanded funding for various economic and community development activities:
  - Cultural resources survey
  - Business assistance program expansion
  - Economic development strategic plan/B3K implementation
  - New business marketing funding
  - Community revitalization
  - Workforce development
- Additional affordable housing construction funds
- Additional funding for community revitalization projects
- Two planner positions to enhance business assistance and workforce development, as well as developer/new business growth and marketing functions



# Major Infrastructure Investments

- Freeway Corridor Beautification Program
  - State Route 58 corridor beautification enhancements
  - State Route 99 corridor beautification enhancements at Hosking Avenue Interchange
  - State Route 99 corridor beautification enhancements – updated monument signage
  - Westside Parkway beatification (Phase I of III)
- Chester Avenue – 4<sup>th</sup> Street to Brundage Lane Complete Streets Project: will leverage state grant funds to make significant bicycle and pedestrian improvements within the area
- Chester Avenue – State Route 58 to Truxtun Avenue Corridor Enhancements (design)
- Additional funding for street light installations based on street light study needs assessment
- Improvements to existing Mill Creek infrastructure

# Public Safety – Fire

- No new staffing proposed
- Minor capital improvement and equipment acquisition to enhance or maintain specialized services that contribute to quality of life and cost efficiencies
- Continue to make strategic investments to ensure the department is maintaining its ISO rating



# Public Works Department

- One civil engineer position to provide project management and consultant management for measure funded projects
- One maintenance craftworker position within the General Services Division to provide facility maintenance and address space needs for measure-related facility issues
- Clean City Initiative: Minor additional staffing-related costs (overtime and temporary staffing) to support citywide pop-up bulky item drop off events (<\$85,000 total)

# Development Services Department

- Supplement non-rapid response team Code Enforcement staffing to address non-encampment issues affecting quality of life issues throughout neighborhoods across the City, such as nuisance properties, illegal property uses and neighborhood stability issues; 8 positions total
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# Human Resources Department

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- New allocation of less than \$85,000 to provide funding for ancillary costs associated with measure-related recruitments and training resources for police recruits

# Citywide Strategic Investments

- Additional funds will be proposed to ensure the City is meeting its plan for a 60-day general reserve
- Additional funds for large known projects, such as the regional public safety radio project, affordable housing and other facility needs
- Strategic positions in subject areas of performance/innovation and budget development
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# Next Steps

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