



AGENDA NO: C-1

MEETING DATE: March 4, 2025

**STAFF PRESENTATION
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City Council Goals 2025-2027

Planning Commission Update

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March 2025





CITY COUNCIL **GOALS** 2025 -2029

Presentation Outline:

- Overview of Strategic Goal Setting Process
- Public Engagement Opportunities
- Effect of 10-Year Financial Forecast on Goals
- Status of Current Goals, Objectives and Action Items
- Your Input



Council Goal Setting Process Overview

- Established by Council Resolution 83-18
- Strategic Planning Framework
 - Ensures Annual Budgets Advance Adopted Goals
- Goal Setting Process Requires substantial public input
- Careful Consideration of Financial Forecast





Public Engagement Opportunities

- Public Inputs
 - Survey (+500 Responses)
 - Advisory Body Engagement
 - Community Forum (Mar. 13)
 - Council Goal Setting Workshop (Mar. 25)

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Click the link in the comments to participate.

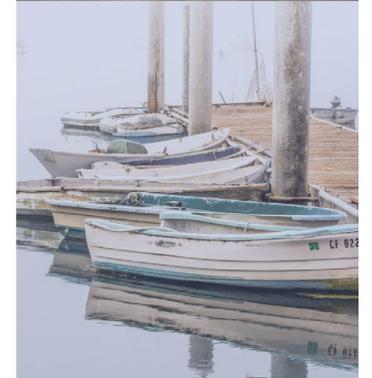
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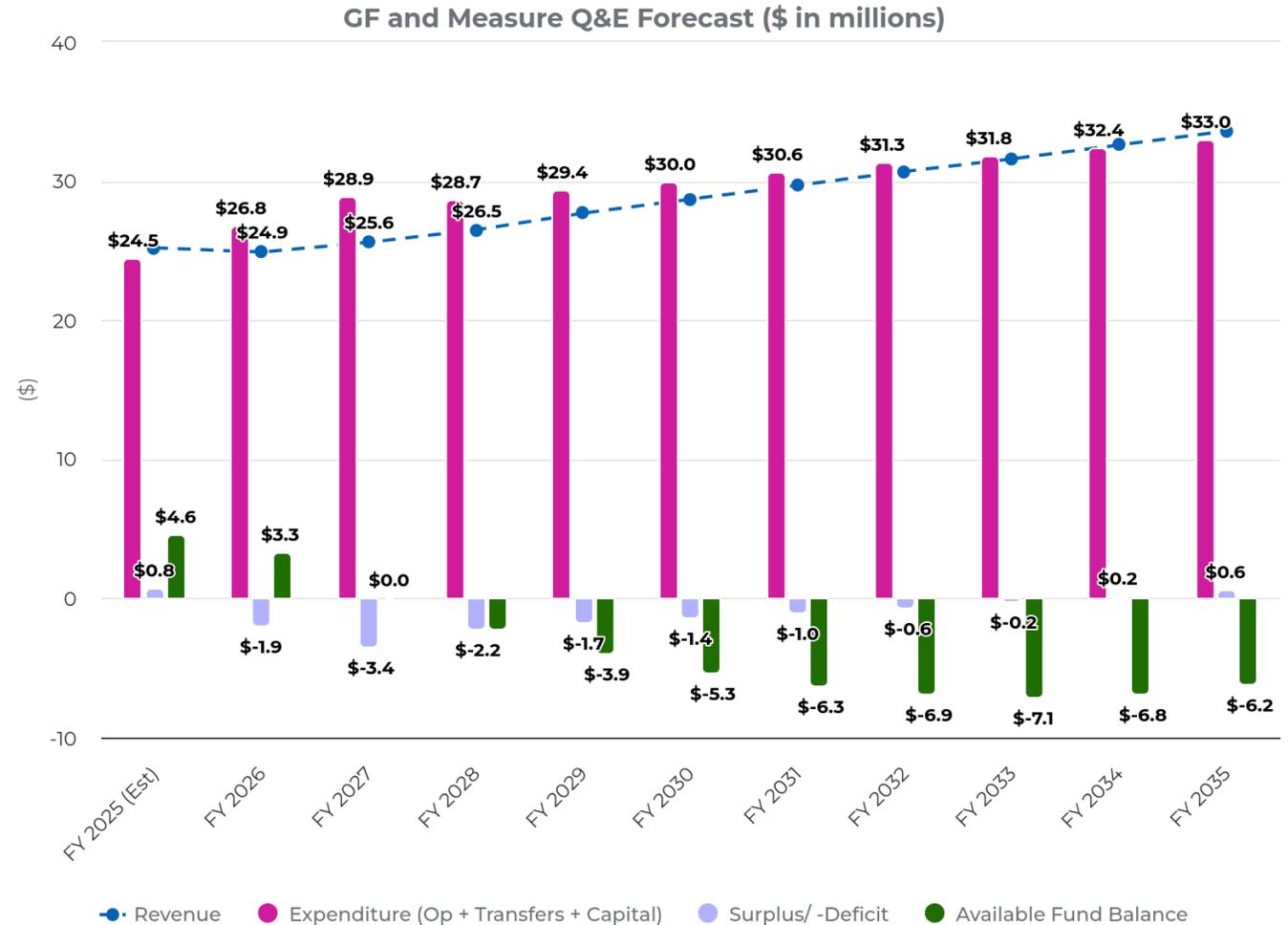
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10-year Fiscal Forecast – Overall

- 10-Year Fiscal Forecast
 - Expenditure grows much faster than revenue
 - Fiscal Sustainability = A Balanced Forecast
 - A Combination of Increased Revenue and Decreased Expenditures will be Required to Balance the City's Forecast





Funding Goals and Objectives- Operating Forecast

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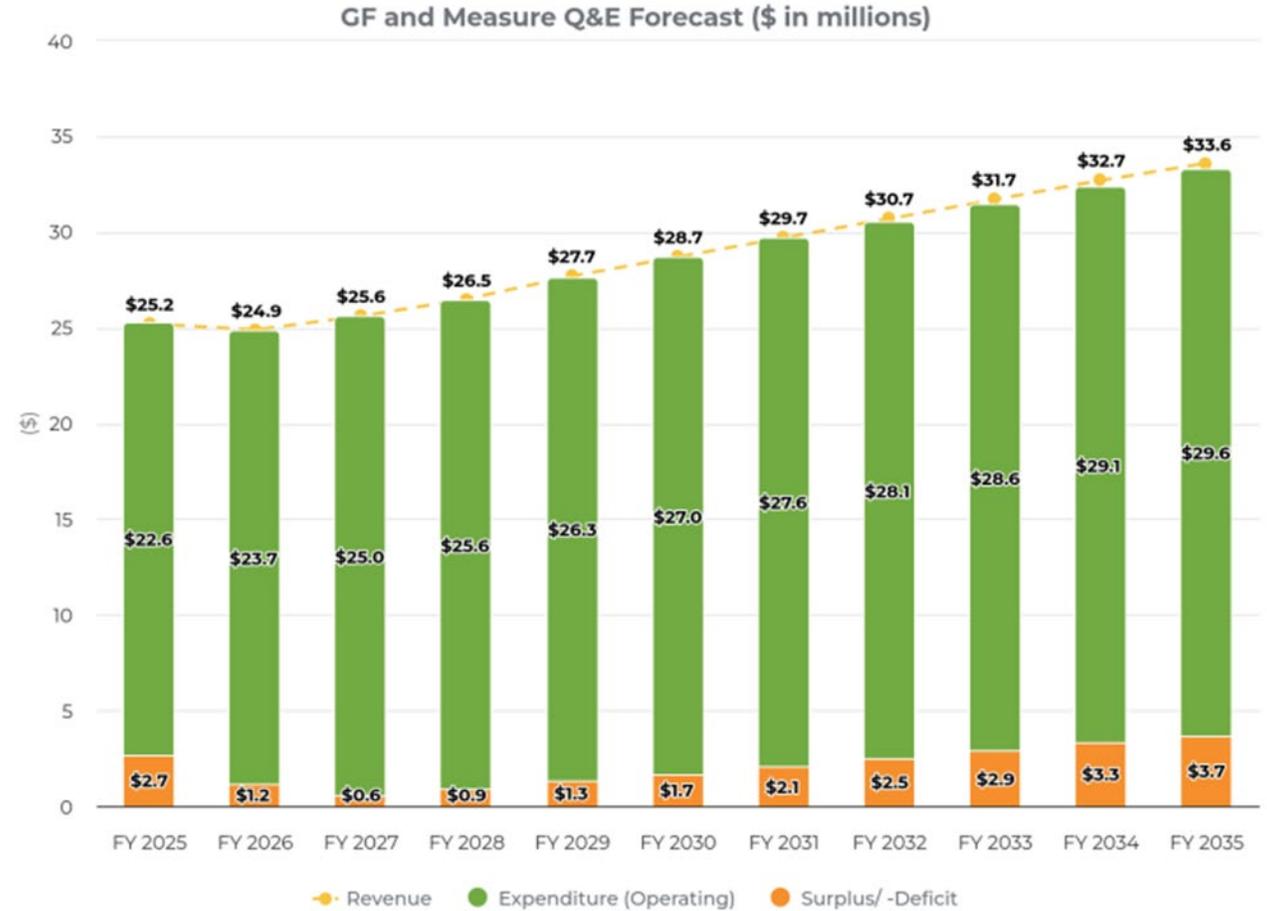
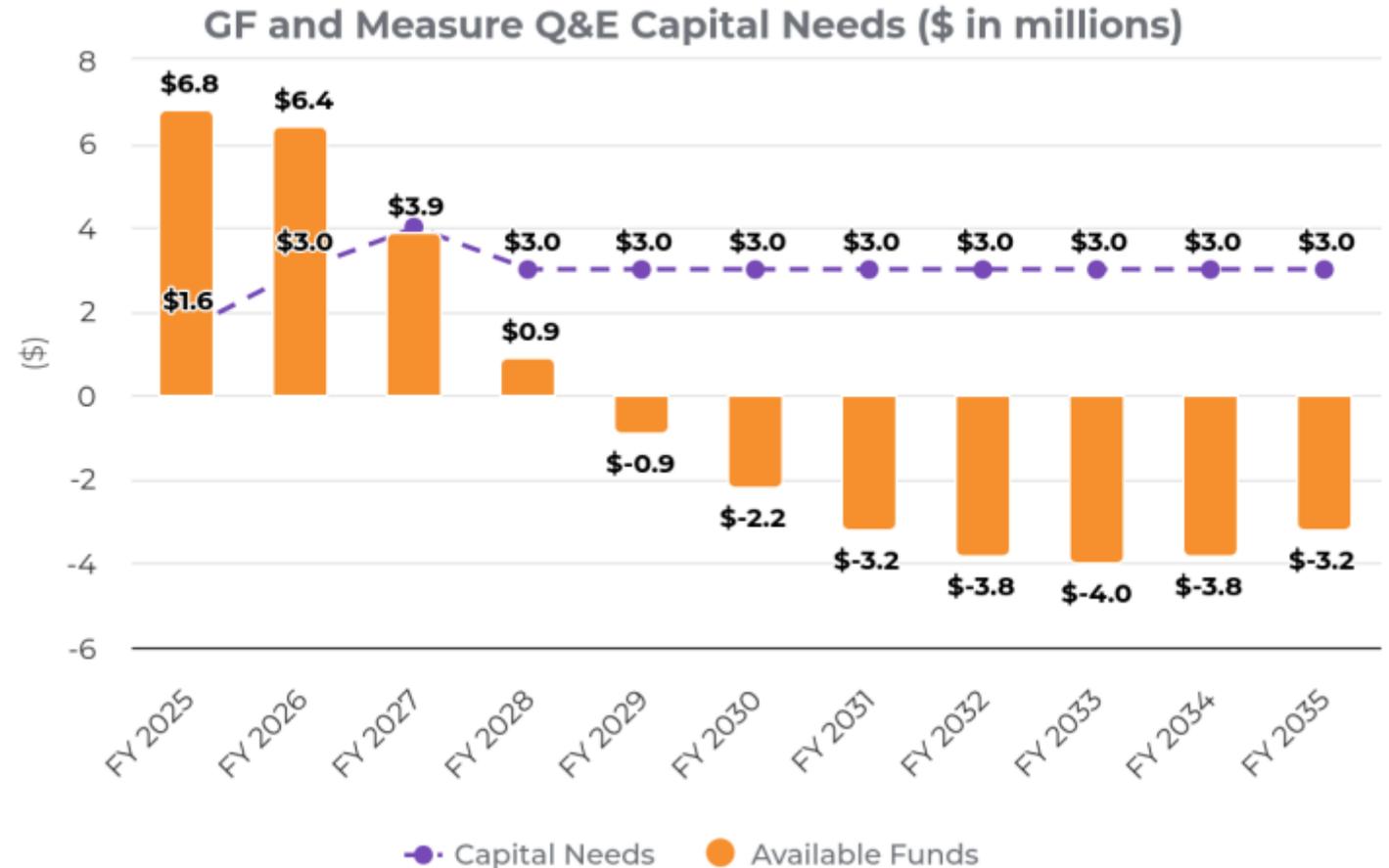


Figure 2 - Combined General Fund and Q/E Operating Forecast



Funding Availability & Capital Needs Forecast

- 10-Year Fiscal Forecast
 - Narrow and decreasing margin for capital projects
- Possible Solutions –
 - a. closely track existing projects
 - b. prioritize resources
 - c. Revenue generation





Current City Council Goals

- Public Infrastructure (7)
- Economic Vitality (6)
- Housing / Homelessness Response (7)
- Community Engagement (7)

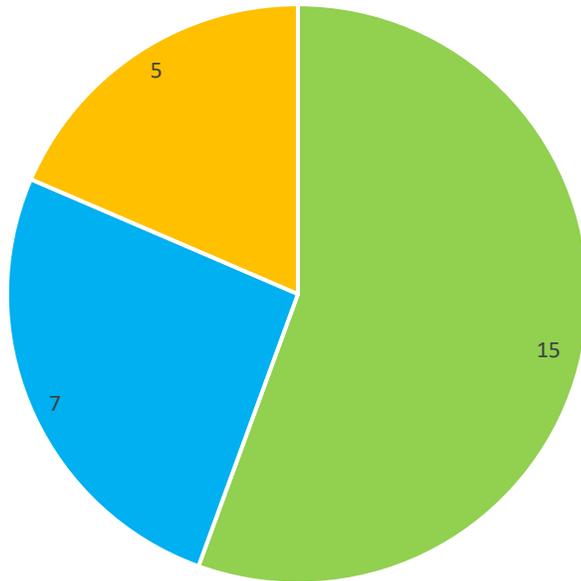


A total of 27 short-term actions within 4 core areas



Status Update

Current Status



■ complete ■ near complete ■ in progress

15 completed:

1-Public Infrastructure, 3-Econ Vitality, 6-Housing, 5-Comm Engagement

7 near completion:

4-Public Infrastructure, 2-Econ Vitality, 1-Housing, 0-Comm Engagement

5 in progress:

2-Public Infrastructure, 2-Econ Vitality, 0-Housing, 1-Comm Engagement

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE



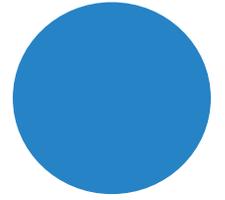
GOAL STATEMENTS:

- (1) Assess and provide report on state of infrastructure including streets, sewer lines, sidewalks, storm drains and Harbor infrastructure.
- (2) January 2023 storm response and future mitigation.
- (3) Repair, update and enhance Veterans Hall so it can continue to serve the community.
- (4) Striping program to improve sidewalks, crosswalks & accessible parking.

SHORT-TERM ACTIONS

- Street Paving
- Complete Capital Needs Assessments
- Complete Development Impact Fee Study
- Update Council Chamber:
A/V upgrades, web-based agenda management system for closed captioning and improved accessibility for visually impaired
- Prioritize storm recovery efforts, maximizing FEMA/insurance reimbursement opportunities; Hazard mitigation / climate resiliency (grant funding eligibility)
- Public safety needs assessment (Standards of Cover)
- Improve streetscape with road striping, parking lines & curb painting

Examples of striping work, sidewalk improvement, and park improvement



Examples of sidewalk improvement





Example of park improvements-Franklin



ECONOMIC VITALITY



GOAL STATEMENTS:

- (1) Pursue grant writing opportunities.
- (2) Evaluate opportunities for City-owned properties.
- (3) Streamline permit process for residential and commercial development.

SHORT-TERM ACTIONS

- Market Plaza development opportunities (currently under negotiations)
- Monitor and stay engaged in offshore wind development
- Pursue grant opportunities, including:
 - *RFP for full-service Grant Writer & Grant Administration (if successful)*
 - *Coleman Beach area*
 - *Climate Action Plan & Waterfront Master Plan*
 - *DBW grant funding for boat ramp replacement*
- Review of City-owned properties, strategy to optimize use or revenues. Explore use of commercial realtor to manage commercial rental property
- Streamline permit processing for residential (including ADUs) and commercial development (also supports Housing goal)
- Presentation to Council on Paid Parking Study and proposed Pilot Program; implement, as directed

GOAL STATEMENTS:

- (1) Identify low-income housing opportunities.
- (2) Explore achievable options for unhoused residents.
- (3) Speed up processing of ADU permits to increase availability of affordable housing.

HOUSING HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE



SHORT-TERM ACTIONS

- Housing Element Program Implementation (Housing by-right Policy and Objective Design Guidelines projects underway – \$275K rec'd in grant funding)
- Review possible upzone of Seashell Estates property for proposed housing project
- Explore achievable options at the City level (emergency warming shelters, pallet homes, etc.)
- Continue participation in County's 5-year Housing & Infrastructure Plan
- Continue participation in the County-wide 5-year Strategic Plan to address homelessness
 - *Homeless Outreach Case Manager*
- Identify affordable housing incentive program
- Speed up processing of ADU permits to increase availability of affordable housing

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



GOAL STATEMENTS:

- (1) Build relationships and improve the purpose of advisory bodies to attract and retain members.
- (2) Hold community workshops and study sessions on upcoming development.
- (3) Improve City website and social media presence.

SHORT-TERM ACTIONS

- Leverage partnerships with Chamber, Visit Morro Bay, local service clubs and community organizations, and other event hosts
- Explore/assess available communication tools
- Conduct joint Council/advisory board meetings periodically and consider biannual or annual advisory board reports to Council
- Develop Historic Preservation Ordinance using draft ordinance prepared by Historical Society as a starting point
- Continue MBPD Citizens Academy, Consider Community Academy and other opportunities for project / community outreach, including study sessions and workshops
- Develop and implement outreach and communication plan using different formats to reach broad spectrum of residents
- Ad hoc Committee review of Planning Process

2025 -2027 - City Goal Setting Process

• Your Input

- 1) Do the current City four areas of focuses and short-term goals address the needs and priorities of the community, particularly in relation to PC / Community Development Department areas of responsibility?
 - i. If yes, how to modify them for the next cycle?
 - ii. If not, what are the goals that the City should consider?
- 2) If applicable, possible items for City Council to consider to be included in a corresponding “work plan” for PC?
- 3) In answering these questions, PC members should keep in mind the available staffing resources and city’s funding ability for new programs, as well as mandatory work scope.



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Community Development Dept. / Planning Commission

Input for 2025 - 2027 City Goals

Existing Work

Ongoing

- Historical preservation ordinance
- Parking program at Rock – CCC communication
- Inventory of city owned properties, Market St. sites
- OSW “operation & maintenance infrastructure study”
- Downtown Design District Discussion (not on current goals)
- Short-term rental ordinance implementation and possible revision (not on current goals)
- Entitlement applications, such as Panaroma

Completed

- Zoning code certification
- Morro Ele property information session

Anticipated future Actions

- BESS performance ordinance
- Waterfront master plan



City Purpose:

- *Preserve the high quality of life in Morro Bay*
- *Provide essential public service and infrastructure to maintain a safe, clean and healthy place for residents and visitors to live, work and play.*

Thank You
* *for your service;*
* *for your input.*