



Portland Water Bureau



Portland Utility Board Orientation

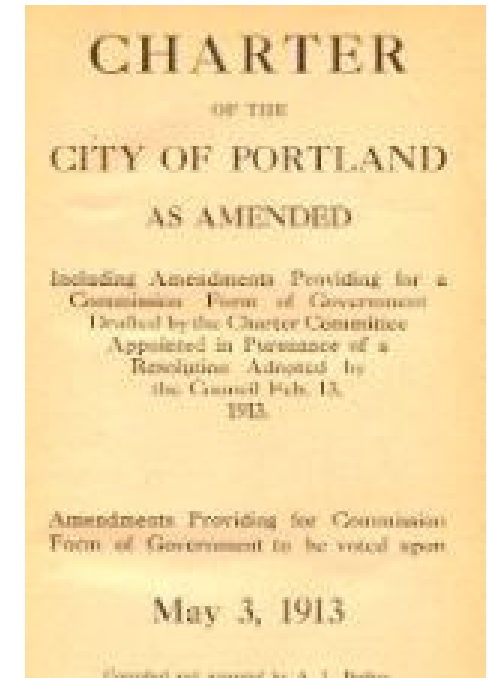
City of Portland, City Budget Office



Environmental Services

City of Portland Overview

- Incorporated in 1851, Home Rule Charter City
- Commission form of government
 - Council includes 5 members: Mayor and 4 Commissioners
 - Auditor (independent office)
 - Elected at-large for four-year terms.
- Council responsibilities include:
 - Legislative (laws, policies, regulations)
 - Administrative (oversee bureaus assigned by Mayor)
 - Quasi-judicial (land-use and other appeals)



What services does the City provide?

- **Transportation** includes traffic, parking, streetcar, and road maintenance
- **Public Safety** includes police, fire, and emergency management and communications
- **Parks, Recreation, & Culture** includes city parks, golf, and the Portland International Raceway
- **Public Utilities** include environmental services, sewer, hydroelectric power, and water.
- **Community Development** includes development services and permitting, planning and sustainability, community and civic life, housing and cable franchising.
- **Legislative, Administration, & Support** include attorney, auditor, government relations, equity and human rights, management & finance.

Council Bureau Assignments and PUB

City Budget Office



Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau of Environmental Services



Commissioner Nick Fish
Staff: Asena Lawrence



Portland Water Bureau



Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Staff: Cristina Nieves



Utility Oversight History



1994
Portland Utility
Review Board (PURB)
Created

2003
PURB
Repealed

2014
Blue Ribbon
Commission (BRC)
Formed

2015
Portland Utility
Board (PUB)
Created

PUB Structure and Support

Membership (14):

- 11 Voting members (1 designated as labor representative, 2 co-chairs)
- 3 Ex-Officio/Non-Voting members (staff from BES and PWB)

Supported by:

- 1 Full-Time Coordinator
- .5 Part-time Analyst
- City Budget Office Analysts assigned to BES and Water

PUB Recruitment and Appointment

PUB members serve 3 year terms

Terms are staggered for change over each fiscal year

Recruitment in Spring, Appointment by July 1st

Recruitment Subcommittee (PUB members, Commissioner Representatives, Bureau Staff, Public)

Appointments reviewed by Commissioners-in-Charge and Mayor, Appointed by full Council

Co-chairs recommended by PUB and appointed by Mayor (2 year terms, staggered each year)

PUB Procedures

Meeting Overview

- Public meetings
 - Notice Requirements
 - Open to Public
 - Quorum of 6 voting members
- Facilitated by co-chair or designee
- Opportunities for Public Comment
 - open call, any topic
 - before votes

Voting Basics

1. Voting member makes a motion
2. Voting member seconds the motion
3. Discussion
4. Public comment
5. Amendments may be considered/moved
6. Vote to pass or fail motion (with or without amendments)
7. Repeat as needed



Portland Water Bureau

From forest to faucet, we deliver the best drinking water in the world.

Portland Utility Board Role and Responsibility



Environmental Services

working for clean rivers



Budget Oversight and Advice - Operating Budget, Capital Projects, Rate Setting



Regulatory Compliance



Administrative Reviews



Policy and Program Development, Performance and Feedback



Formal Recommendations to Council



Hearing from public



Engaging on key issues and concerns

City Budget Basics



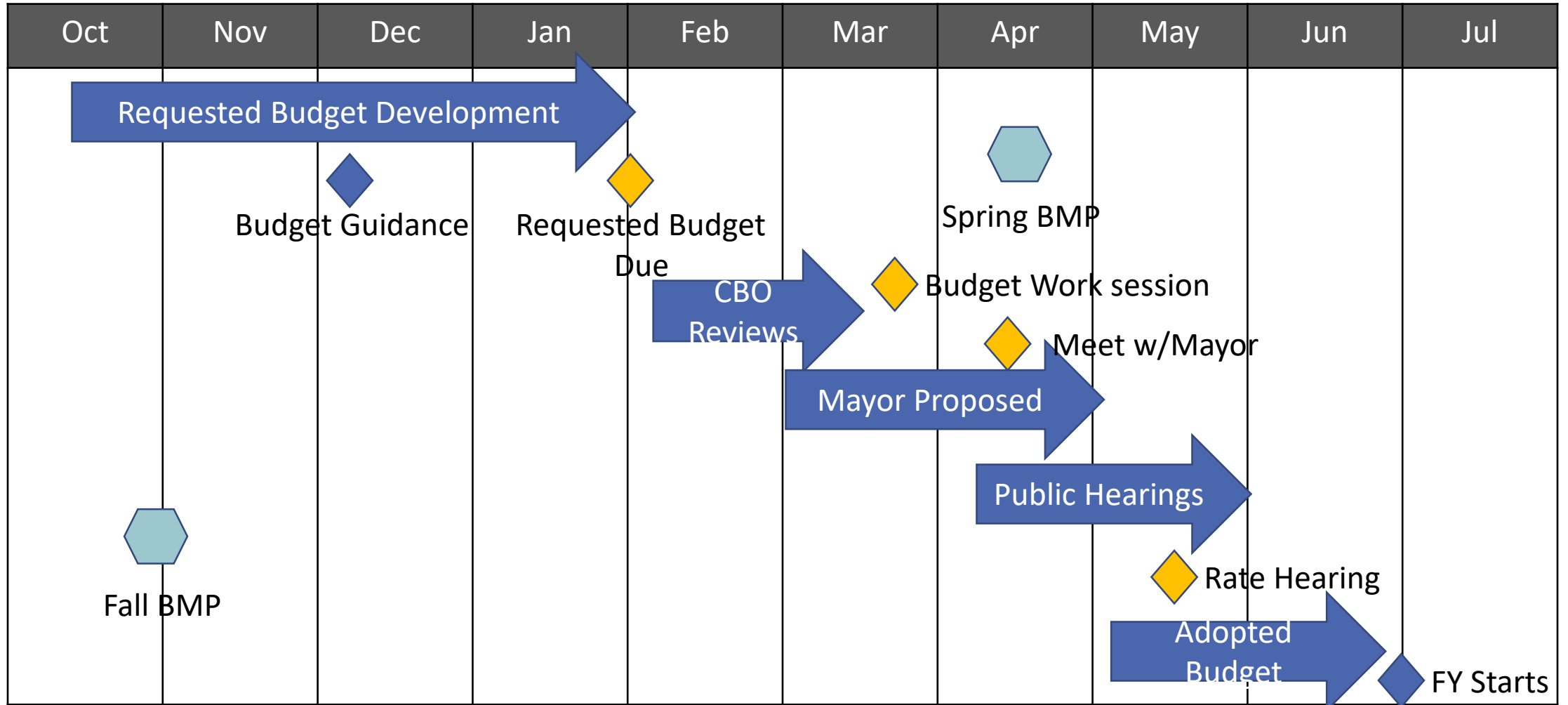
- Annual budget
- Adopted by Council by June
- FY 2019-20 (FY20) is for the period of July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020
- Fall/Spring Budget Monitoring Processes to make adjustments (BMP)
- Budget Advisory Committee requirement
 - PUB serves as BAC for PWB and BES

Council Budget Responsibilities

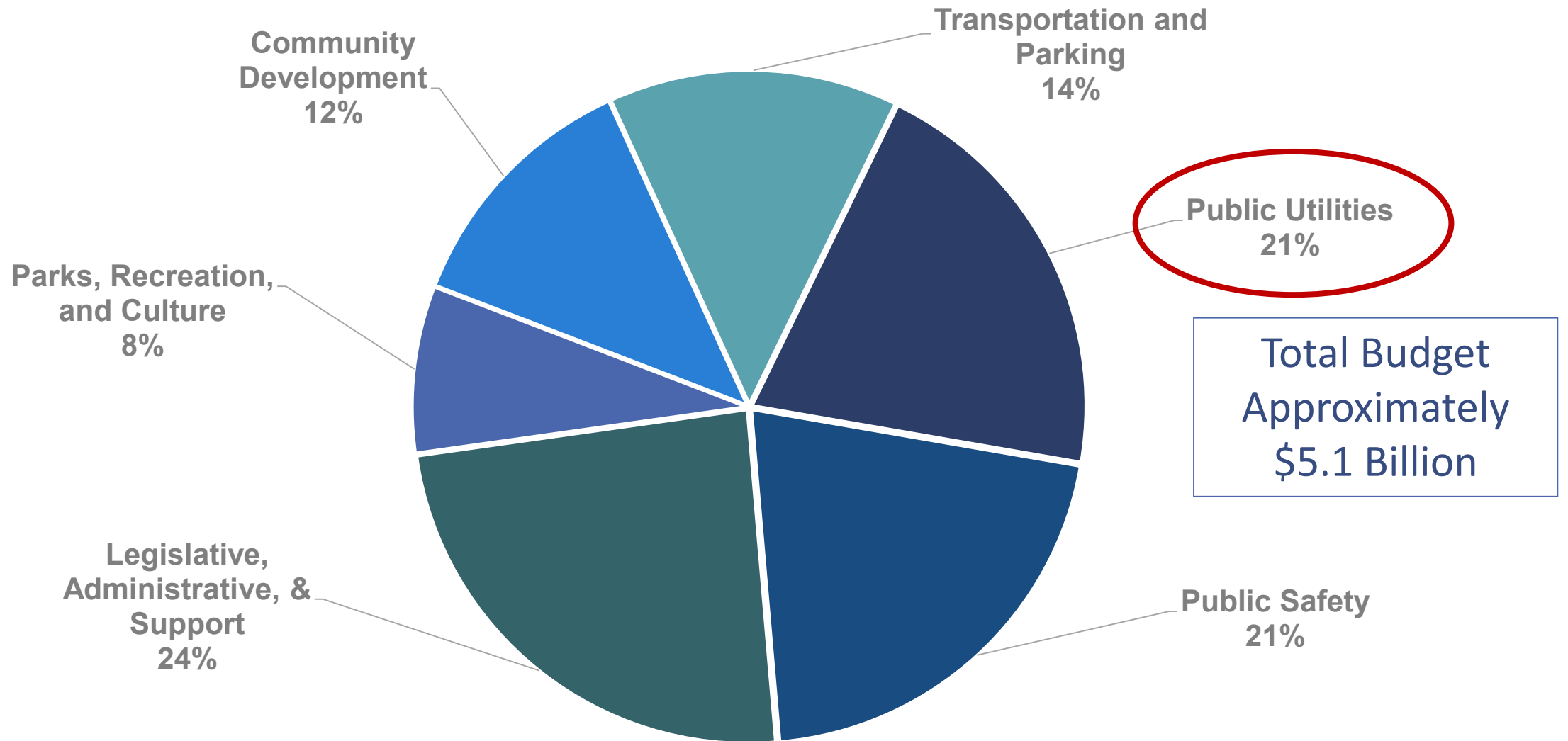


- Oversight of Assigned Bureaus and their Requested Budgets
- Set City Priorities, particularly guiding allocation of General Fund
- Consider input from advisory committees, bureaus and public
- Approve/Adopt a Balanced Budget

Budget Development Timeline



How are total City bureau expenses distributed?



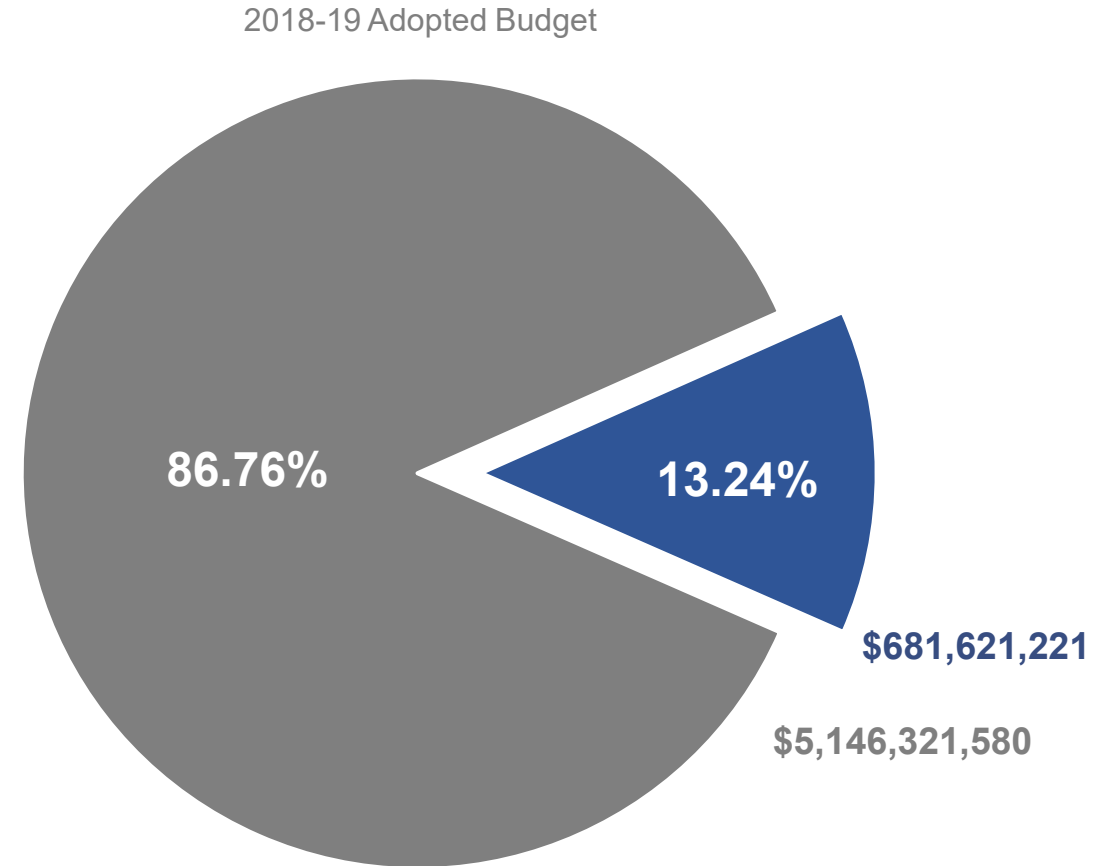
General Fund versus Non-General Fund

- The **General Fund** can be used for anything allowed by City Charter.
 - Primarily from property, business and utility taxes
 - Allocated based on City Council priorities.
 - The majority of general fund resources are spent on **Police, Fire & Rescue, and Parks & Recreation**
- **Other City Funds** are dedicated to specific uses.
 - Water and Sewer Fees pay for related system and infrastructure maintenance and improvements.
 - Building Permit fees support development services.
 - Parks fees support recreation services.

What percentage of the City's budget is General Fund?

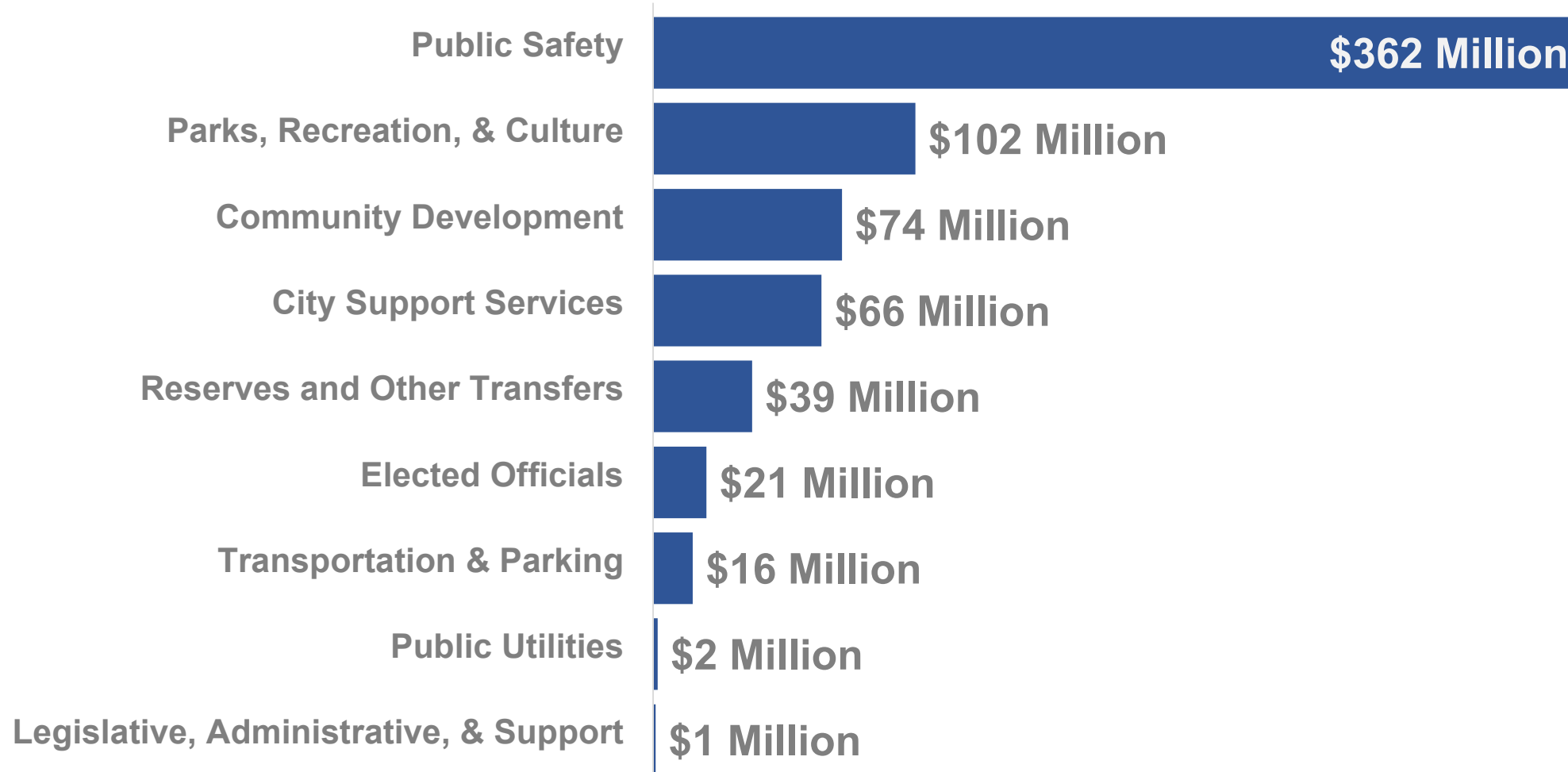
**Total General Fund
\$681.6 Million**

**Total All Funds
\$5.1 Billion**



What does the City spend its General Fund on?

2018-19 Adopted Budget



PUB Values (for budget consideration)

Affordability

Efficiency of Operations and Value to Customers

Assistance to Low-Income Residents

Protection of Public Health and Watershed Health

Improvement and Sustainability of Infrastructure

Regulatory Compliance

Equity

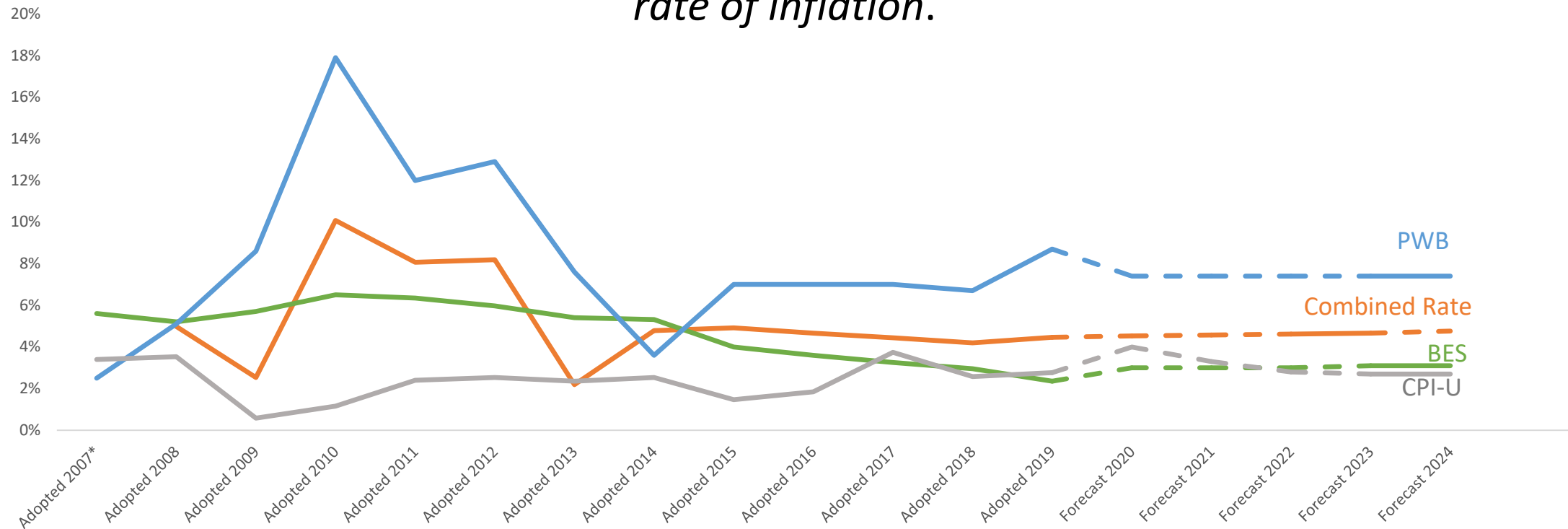
Service Delivery

System Resiliency

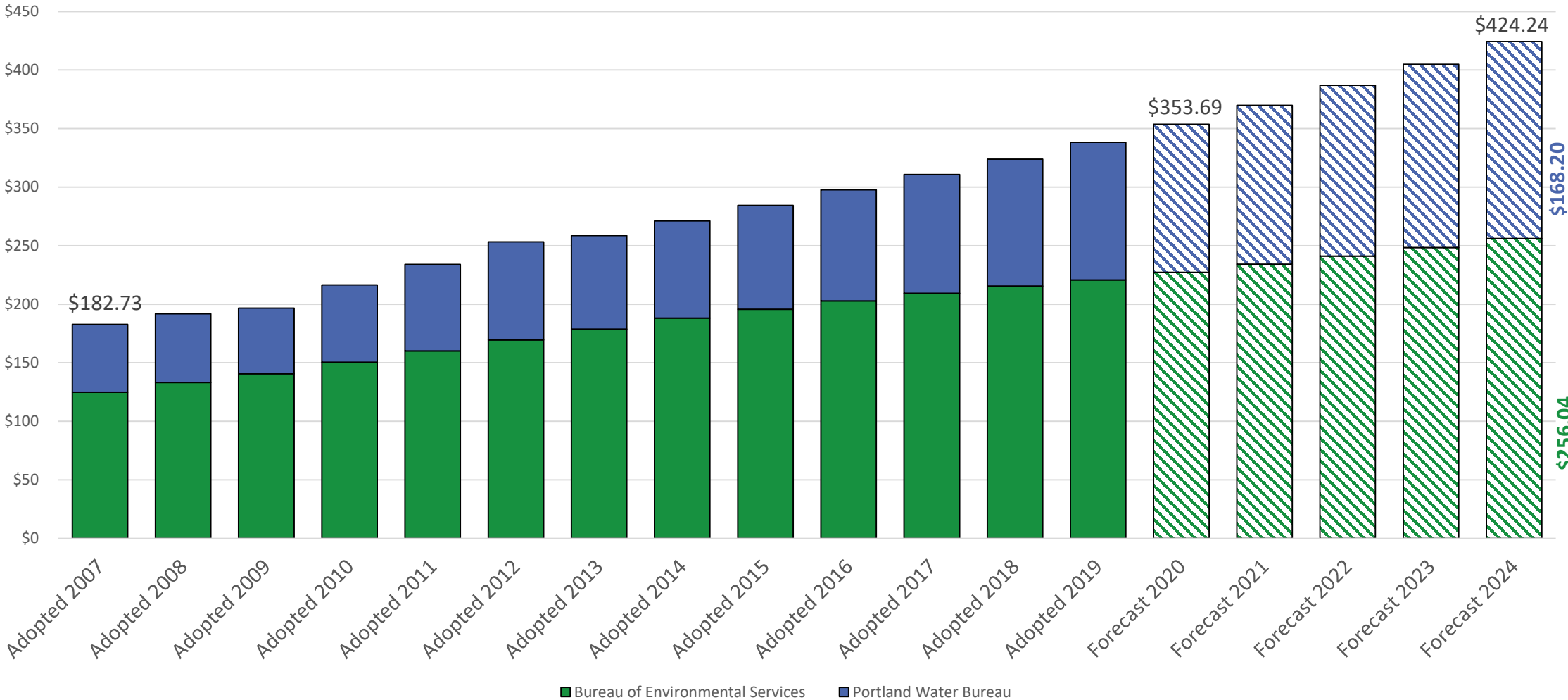
Transparency and Public Engagement

Rate Setting and Affordability

Recent and forecasted rates are much *less volatile* than ten years ago but the combined rate of increase continues to be *above the rate of inflation*.



Compared to FY 2018-19, the quarterly typical single-family household bill for water, wastewater, and stormwater services *would increase 4.53%* to \$354 in FY 2019-20, *increasing by 25%* to \$424 over the next 5 years.



Average Monthly Single-Family Residential Sewer & Water Bills

