

Department	Council Member	Date Received	Question
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	Have you had any discussions with HRPDC about what the infusion of federal cash means for the predicted impact on sales tax revenue for the rest of the fiscal year? What is the General Sales revenue for March for the past four years?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	Was maintenance impacted as a result of delaying the ERU increase in FY 22?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	When the Parks & Recreation Referendum Tax was reduced, was this part of Citywide rate reductions or was the money retained and reallocated for other City operations?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Wooten	4/20/21	Can you please tell me if the Special Pandemic Relief and Vaccine Support Reserve will cover the emerging need of a budget for the Citizen Review Panel? If not, do you have any suggestions for funding options for the CRP?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Wooten	4/15/21	Can you please provide information on how each recreation center was funded and the year they were funded?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	Did you include any remaining pandemic utilities relief in the fund balance calculation?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Rouse	4/14/21	Please provide the cost estimate for 4, 4.5, and 5% compensation increase.
Budget and Management Services	Mayor Dyer	4/14/21	Comprehensive cost estimate of Vice Mayor Wood's public safety proposal.
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Rouse	4/14/21	What would it take to fund an independent review panel with investigative authority and subpoena power?

Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	What is the reserve before the Vice Mayor's proposal? What is the reserve after? Is the amount being allocated have an impact on the ending fund balance that is proposed to be applied in the proposed budget?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Wooten	4/6/21	Is there a way that I can obtain information regarding how funding was allocated in previous budgets in the Centerville District? I would like to go back at least 10-14 years if possible. I know this may be an odd request. However, I would like to know why no money was ever allocated for the Centerville District Recreation Center. Furthermore, if money was not allocated for this purpose what was allocated in the budget for the Centerville District during this period of time.
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/30/21	What is the cost of the debt service for the additional bonds programmed by VBCPS?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/26/21	18a. What impact does the School's requested use of \$69 million have in the City's Debt metrics? 18b. Why was the School's CIP included in your proposed budget? 18c. Why was this information not shared as a part of the discussion at the retreat? 18d. What is your assessment of granting School's the requested borrowing capacity increase?

Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/28/21	<p>On page 31 of the Executive Summary in the Table entitled FT 2021-FY2022 Operating Budget Total Estimated Revenues the sum of the estimated revenues from property tax equals \$643,611,158 that would come to a penny of real estate tax rate equals \$6.436 million that is far cry from \$6.2. How is it we are using one number in the budget document another number in the Executive Summary that is represented as a summary of revenue? If we can use the total property tax revenues on page 31 to communicate to the City Council and to the public then we should be able to use that figure in our revenue offset calculations. The real estate revenue number of \$643,611,158 referenced earlier on page 28 is repeated again on page 58.</p>
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/28/21	<p>Page 41 states that in 2019 17.8 percent of residents used alternative forms of transportation for commuting. However, on page 73 the percent of people using public transit is 0.9 percent and 82.2 percent drive alone. 82.2% plus 17.8% sums to 100% and on the surface that sounds good until you read on page 47 work from home and thus do not commute and 7.2% carpool. I think a footnote is needed on page 41 to define what constitutes an alternative form of commuting and working from home, in my judgment is not an alternative in the context of the table, in my opinion.</p>

Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/28/21	On page 46, take a second look at the top two rows in the table for the 2018 and 2019, I am pretty sure 49.3% going to 29.4% and 29.4% going to 49.3% is in error.
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/28/21	Page 45 what average weekly wage is this? Is the weekly wage data from the VEC quarterly report? There are no footnotes for the sources of the data. Is the average private sector weekly wage of folks employed in Virginia Beach independent of where they live? Is it the 52-week average for 2020? This is case where the median should also be provided as the median will reveal how a minority of workers making higher weekly wages skew the average to the right. The average masks the large number of much lower paying jobs. The budget is the place for showing all our cards faceup and not glossing over the underlying reality.

Budget and Management Services

Councilmember Moss

3/29/21

On page 28 of the Executive Summary identifies the City median value of a home at \$254,000 in 2021 and \$267,000 whereas on page 45 you identify the median single family in 2020 was \$302,300. I recognize the definition of a home on page 28 is broader than on page 45, but do permit comparative analysis a consistent definition of home should be used or better to show the decomposition by type. The single-family homeowner is going to look at the numbers on page 28 and throw the cow chip flag. In fact, a few already have. I like using medians; in this case on both page median by home type would be more transparent and conveyed more credibility to our messaging.

Budget and Management Services

Councilmember Moss

3/26/21

I am requesting that you provide a table that shows the revenue generation assumptions that went into the Five Year Forecast provided to City Council in November 2020, all those assumptions were updated, if updated, for revenue sources relied upon in your budget formulation, and the impact of the direct non-taxable cash payments being made to qualifying Beach households, as well as GDP growth of four and six percent. The economists at the Dragas Center and HRPDC as well as Congressional Budget Office and financial investment houses are sources available, as well as the sources you used to present the Five-Year Forecast and its refinements for your budget submissions.

Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Rouse	3/23/21	Can you provide what personal property tax relief would look like?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Henley	3/23/21	Do you have a one page summary of the budget?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Wilson	3/23/21	Is the Patriotic Festival included in the budget?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Rouse	3/23/21	How much would a 4% pay increase cost?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Moss	3/23/21	Please provide a calculation of the real estate per penny amount.
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Abbott	3/19/21	What is the effective tax rate?
Budget and Management Services	Councilmember Abbott	3/18/21	What are the total number of city-wide vacancies?
Commonwealth's Attorney	Councilmember Tower	4/6/21	Are you aware that other cities in Virginia, not as large as Virginia Beach, have supplemented public defender pay?
EMS and Fire	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	What is the actual capacity of the school (fire academy) versus the capacity being used to meet attrition and volunteers?
EMS and Fire	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	What is the number of qualified applicants and number of highly qualified candidates per paid EMS and fire fighter applicants?
Human Resources	Councilmember Wooten	4/23/21	Can you please provide data regarding raises for these departments (public Works/Public Utilities) for the last 10 years?
Human Resources	Councilmember Wooten	4/23/21	departments (Public Works/Public Utilities) promoted or installed in the last year and their level of education and experience related to the job.
Human Resources	Councilmember Moss	4/1/21	Please provide a list of all benefits provided or paid to police officers. Please provide a list of potential supplements to salary based on assignment (for example, FTO pay, flight pay, etc.). Please provide the same information for sheriff's deputies.

Human Resources	Councilmember Wood	4/1/21	Provide the impact of a structural adjustment for each of these positions? For example, if each position were to move up 5% in the pay plan.
Human Resources	Councilmember Wood	4/1/21	Please advise what each percentage increase in salary for the following: sworn police officers, sworn firefighters, sworn sheriff deputies, sworn EMS personnel
Information Technology	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	What are we doing to reduce our IT vulnerability to our third party providers?
Information Technology	Councilmember Tower	4/6/21	How much was the park Wi-Fi request and which parks were included? What other competitors offer Wi-Fi at sport complexes?
Information Technology	Councilmember Moss	4/6/21	What are alternative offsets to fund security projects not included in the Proposed CIP?
Information Technology	Councilmember Moss	4/6/21	Where are we with the implementation of e-ticketing? Where is that in terms of completion?
Information Technology	Councilmember Wood	4/6/21	Is the electronic reporting piece included in your budget?
Information Technology	Councilmember Wood	3/30/21	How much funding is needed to fully fund the Oceanfront Camera Project?
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court	Councilmember Wooten	4/6/21	How can we better our relationship with your department?
Parks and Recreation	Councilmember Henley	4/27/21	Do we have a cost estimate for Wi-Fi in parks and a recommendation?
Parks and Recreation	Councilmember Wooten	4/28/21	What is the status of CIP 100402, Stumpy Lake Golf Course? Is this project being funded?
Parks and Recreation	Councilmember Abbott	4/27/21	Are you taking funding from a different CIP or will you have to come back to Council for additional funding to Violet Bank?

Parks and Recreation	Councilmember Moss	4/27/21	What is the long-term use/plan to make Three Oaks Elementary Multi-Use Path project an asset, not a liability?
Planning	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	Explain the \$1.5M HRT cost increase. What would be the offset that we would need to make that revenue neutral? What is the offset of eliminating lower ridership routes? What is the cost of farebox revenue to make ridership free?
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	How many people have joined the police force in the last five years from our fire department and then other fire departments?
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	How many police officers in the last five years have left to become firefighters with us and then with other cities?
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	To meet the bonafide occupational qualification legal requirement, what is that educational degree requirement, if any, for a recruit, MPO, sergeant, and Lieutenant?
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	Breakout in terms of veterans and non-veterans
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	What is the distribution of current on-board who just have a (highest educational attainment); high school degree, some college, two year associates, four year degree, master degree, PhD, multiple BAs/BSs without a master, multiple masters without a PhD?
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	How many recruits have we hired that did not possess a college degree? Each class of recruits for the last three years.

Police	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	What is the number of qualified applicants and number of highly qualified candidates per Police applicants? What is the actual capacity of the police academy versus the capacity being used to meet attrition and volunteers.
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/6/21	In reference to hiring incentives for consideration, what are the specific compensation asks and costs associated with those? (slide 9 of police presentation)
Police	Councilmember Moss	4/6/21	What is our governance policy for license plate reading technology? How long the data is retained and other what conditions can people subpoena for other purposes?
Police	Councilmember Tower	4/6/21	Were there enough officers at the oceanfront given the predication of warm weather and other factors?
Police	Councilmember Tower	4/6/21	How many retired police officers are there in Virginia Beach to augment the police force? Could private security be used?
Police	Councilmember Henley	4/6/21	Where are other potential hotspots for gunshot detection? And where else should we potentially deploy the gunshot detection system?
Police	Councilmember Wilson	4/6/21	Are there things on this list of technology projects that aren't funded?
Police	Councilmember Wood	4/6/21	Is there an issue with the ocean preventing the shot detecting technology from functioning correctly?
Police	Councilmember Wood	4/6/21	How many people do you think will move through the cadet program?

Police, Fire, EMS	Councilmember Wood	3/31/21	Please provide the annual turnover for departments of police, fire and EMS for the last three years. Please include year to date data as well as reasons for separation from the department. Please show the impact on staffing (i.e., number of staffed positions vs authorized strength).
Public Utilities	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	What would it look like to switch from a flat fee to billing by usage?
Public Utilities	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	Do you have the number of accounts the moratorium covers? When does it expire? What standard will we be using to turn the water back on?
Public Utilities	Councilmember Abbott	4/14/21	What is the highest utility bill in default?
Public Utilities	Councilmember Abbott	4/14/21	Is there typically a payment plan set-up so that the water could be turned on immediately or does the full balance have to be settled first? Is that repayment plan based on the balance or their ability to pay? For those on payment plans, do they have to show the inability to pay to receive the plan?
Public Utilities	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	What is the annual depreciation of your physical plant?
Public Utilities	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	Please provide a breakdown of the \$8.4M of Utilities relief. Separation of local funding and CARES Act.
Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/27/21	Provide the square footage cost of buildings 1, 2, and 11 compared to city hall
Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	What have we gotten for what we've spent/will spend on flood control and operations?

Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	MS4 permit measurables. What do we have to do, what have we done, what's the remaining need?
Public Works	Councilmember Henley	4/20/21	What is the list of regulatory projects in the Southern Watershed?
Public Works	Councilmember Wooten	4/28/21	Are there any Centerville District road projects, water utility, sewer utility or stormwater projects that are not being funded in this budget cycle? If so, why not?
Public Works	Councilmember Wooten	4/28/21	What is the status of CIP 100233, Landfill #2 Phase 1 Capping? Is this project being funded?
Public Works	Councilmember Berlucchi	4/14/21	Would you mind sharing what the existing Stormwater maintenance teams look like currently?
Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	Would this position be a grant status in case the SSD went away?
Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	Who asked for the Sandbridge recycling program?
Public Works	Councilmember Moss	4/14/21	We're doing the private sector BMP inspections every 5 years? Should we inspect public ones at the same pace? What is the percent of privately held vs publicly held BMPs? What is the cost to inspect the private sector annually?
Public Works	Councilmember Henley	4/14/21	What is the recycling at Sandbridge? Is it coming off the beach? Please verify with the City Attorney's Office that it is consistent with the Sandbridge SSD ordinance.
Public Works, Roadways CIP	Councilmember Moss	4/27/21	What impact does the Davis Bacon act have?
Public Works, Roadways CIP	Councilmember Moss	4/27/21	Are we focusing on which projects make us the most competitive and encourage high paying jobs? Are we maximizing our CIP revenue?

Public Works, Roadways CIP	Councilmember Moss	4/27/21	Do we anticipate economic damages to residents / business from the Holland Road project? (slides 21 and 22)
Public Works/Public Utilities	Councilmember Wooten	4/27/21	Staff states that an employee was forced to dig a significantly deep hole by hand instead of using the automatic equipment on hand that was designed to handle this job. Is this true? Why did this happen?
Public Works/Public Utilities	Councilmember Wooten	4/27/21	Can you please share the details of the incident when a man fell down a man hole and was significantly hurt? How did the City, department handle this matter?
Public Works/Public Utilities	Councilmember Wooten	4/27/21	Staff members are concerned with the process for overtime. They state that overtime is not readily available. When overtime is available it is only provided sparingly and when it benefits the supervisors. What is the policy for overtime?
Public Works/Public Utilities	Councilmember Wooten	4/27/21	Can you please provide information on the level of hazard that Public Works and Public Utilities individuals encounter on a daily basis, especially during COVID-19?
Public Works/Public Utilities	Councilmember Wooten	4/28/21	What is the status of CIP 100341, 100216, 100238, 100215, 100525, and 100126? Are these projects being funded?
Roadways CIP	Councilmember Wooten	4/28/21	What road projects are not being funded in the Centerville District?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	Did Schools reimburse themselves for current year expenditures through the use of CARES funding, creating capacity in their operating budget? Will the American Rescue Plan have the same opportunity?

Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	How will the Schools absorb a further reduction of real estate revenue?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	Are we gaining, losing, or keeping up with the market share of education? How many homeschooling, private, religious exemption, etc.? Are we adjusting the future operational needs to adjust for this trend?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	For the vacancies we have, what are the issues with recruiting?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/19/21	What was our pre-COVID normal participation, our COVID participation, and is there a working estimate for participation during the next school year?

Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/19/21	A) Please provide a definition of the current universe of beach school age children and then showing the enrollment at VB public schools, other public schools, private school, home school, and home school claiming religious exemption over the past five years. B) How many students attend beach schools that do not reside in Virginia Beach? C) What is the number of students estimated to graduate this summer versus the number estimated to enter 9th grade next year? D) What is the number of students estimated to enter sixth grade next year? E) What is the number of students estimated to start kindergarten next year? F) Provide a graphic by year of age starting with 1 year old through 18 years old the current population in each year based on most current data G) Provide the number of special education students enrolled pre-kindergarten and post 12th grade through age 22? Is the trend stable, rising, or declining? H) When you control for special education (including gifted programs), academies, and other special offerings, Green Run Charter School, what are we investing on average on students not enrolled in one of the aforementioned categories? I) How many students enrolled in free lunch? How many students enrolled in reduced lunch? Are the raw numbers and percentages stable,
Schools	Councilmember Moss	4/18/21	Can you provide a line item breakdown of the School's action on April 13th?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/28/21	Please provide the number of children on free lunch, reduced lunch and then sum by raw numbers and percentages total enrollment by school category

Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/20/21	I would like to get the attached Excel Spreadsheet populated to assist in alternative formulation.
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/21/21	When will we learn what the estimated subject federal school dollars?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/9/21	Breakdown by elements of the school funding formula showing the amount by element and the total.
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	What are the employer and employee contributions toward the 2022 health premiums?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	How many VBCPS FTEs are totally local funded (not covered by SOQ)?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	Please break out the budget request this year and their current budget by the categories that Council has the discretion to appropriate the School Board's budget.
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	What is the Schools' FY 21 fund balance for reversion?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	What is the Schools' long term sustainability plan to provide a 5% pay raise?
Schools	Councilmember Moss	3/1/21	When will City Council have a copy of the Schools' budget?
Sheriff's Office	Councilmember Moss	4/20/21	Request for vacancy information from the Sheriff's Office similar to what was requested from Police.
Sheriff's Office	Councilmember Moss	4/13/21	How many Sheriff deputies have left in the last five years to become firefighters or police officers with us and then other cities?
Virginia Aquarium	Councilmember Berluca	4/20/21	Why is there a sharing formula with the foundation? What is its impact?

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