



2026 BUDGET MEETING



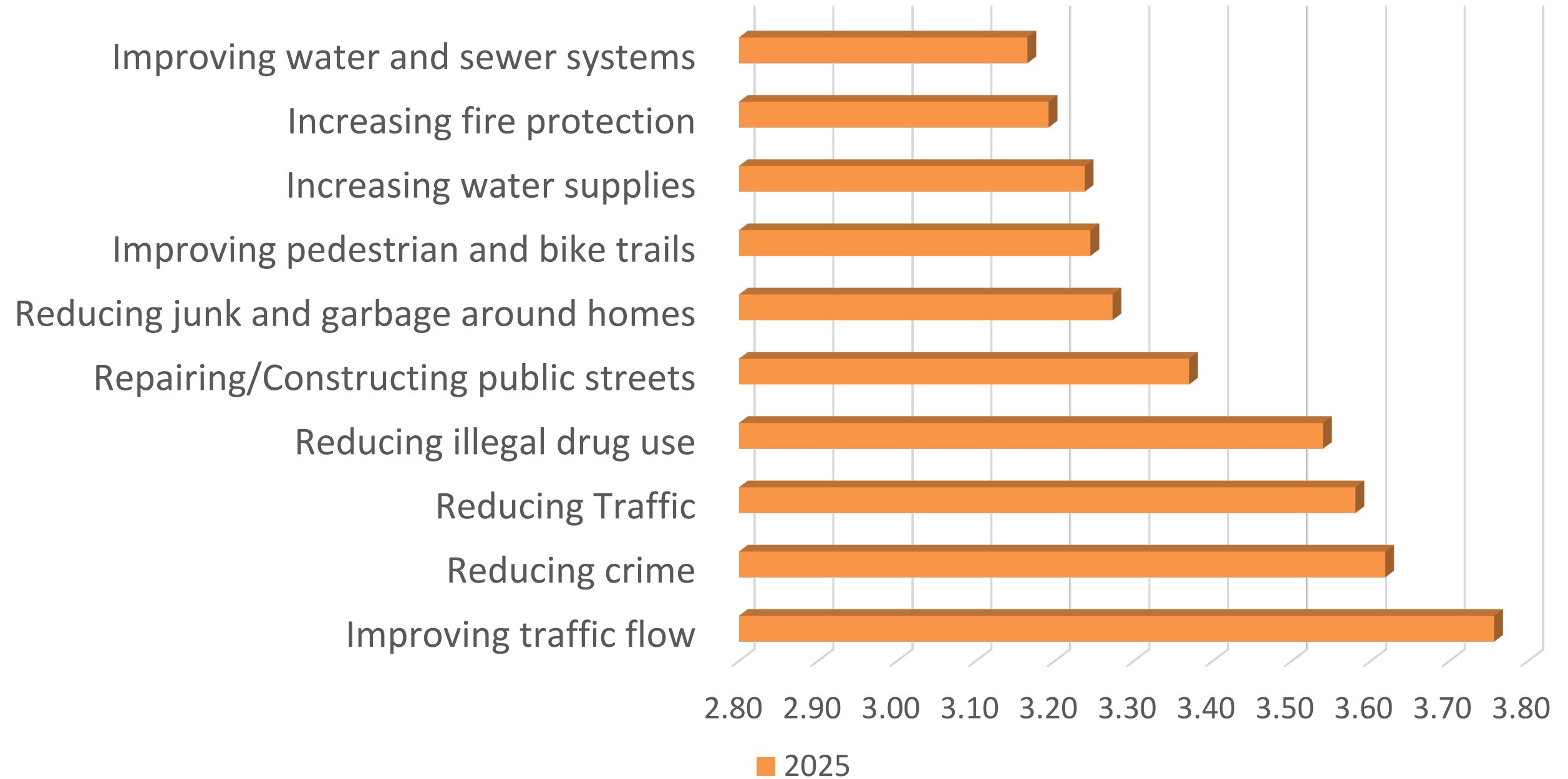




CITIZEN SURVEY

Priorities for Additional Funding

2025 – Average Response (VL to VH)





PRIORITIZED LIST - IN TOP THREE

37% say #1

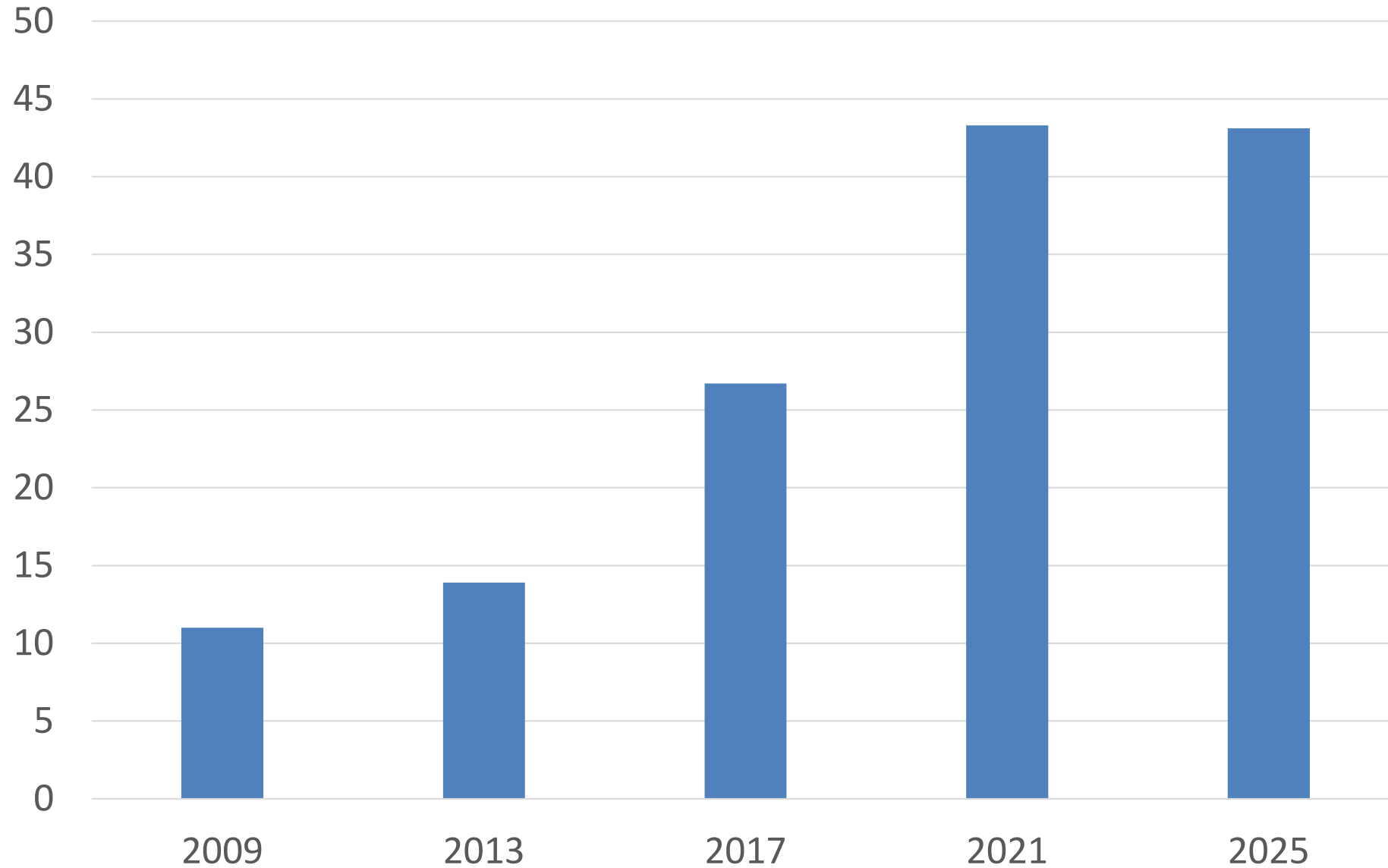


Funding Item	2025
Improving traffic flow	43.1
Reducing traffic	32.6
Reduce junk and garbage around homes	20.2
Reducing crime	16.5
Repairing/constructing streets	14.4
Increasing services for seniors	14.1
Reducing illegal drug use	13.5
Improving pedestrian and bike trails	13.3
Additional transportation options	12.3
Acquiring more open space	10.4
Increasing water supply	9.1
Additional Parks	9
Increasing police presence in neighborhoods	8.3
Inc housing for low or moderate income	7.8

Preserving historic bldgs/neighborhoods	7.8
Increasing fire protection	7.5
Increasing Library Special Programs	7.1
Improving water and sewer systems	6.6
More Youth Sports Programs	6.1
Adult Sports Programs	6.1
Increase Art in Public Places	5.5
Access to High Speed internet	5.5
Increasing Library Book Collection	5.1
Increasing police presence downtown	4.8
Adding more space for arts/cultural events	3.7

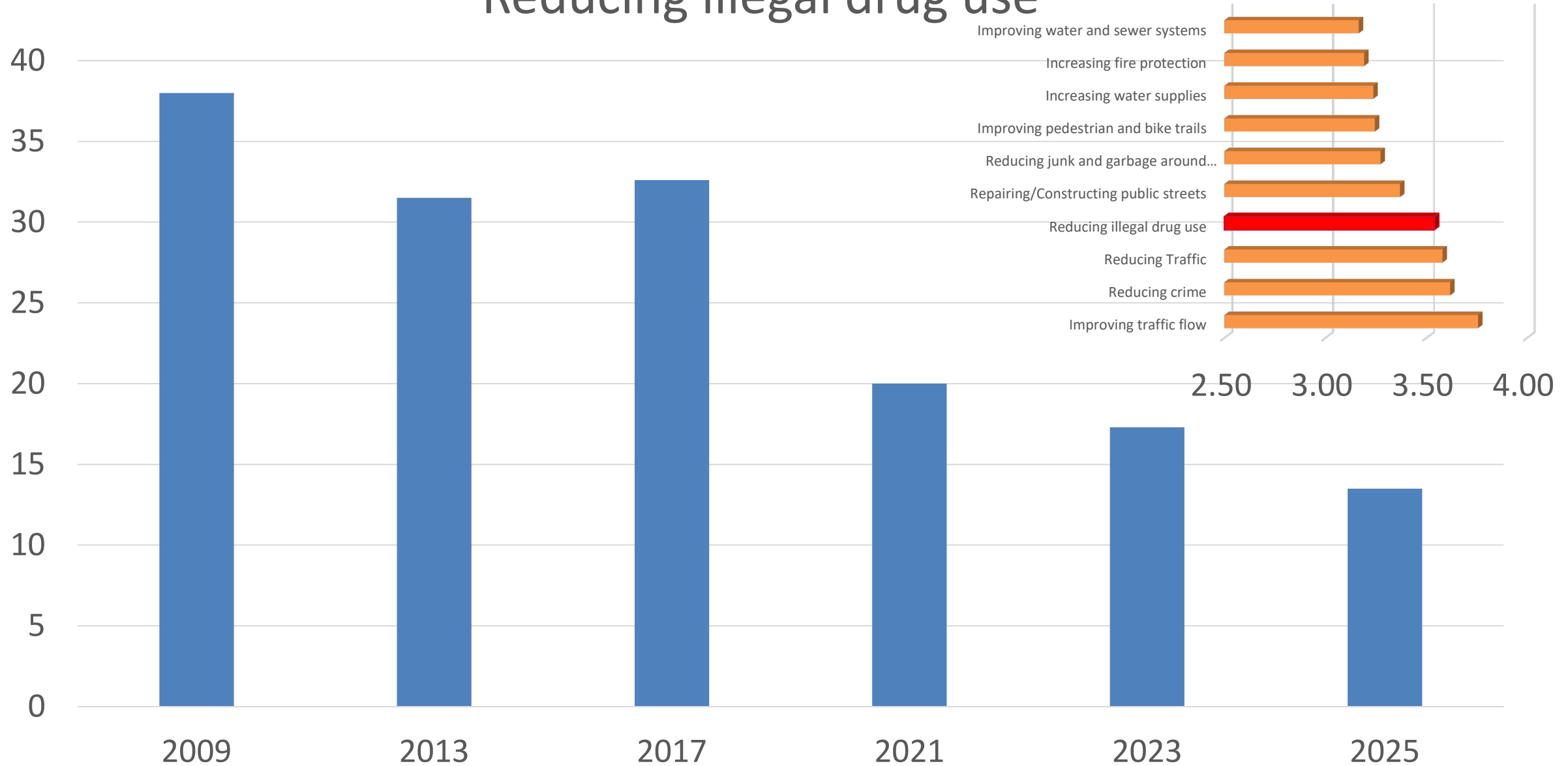


Improving traffic flow



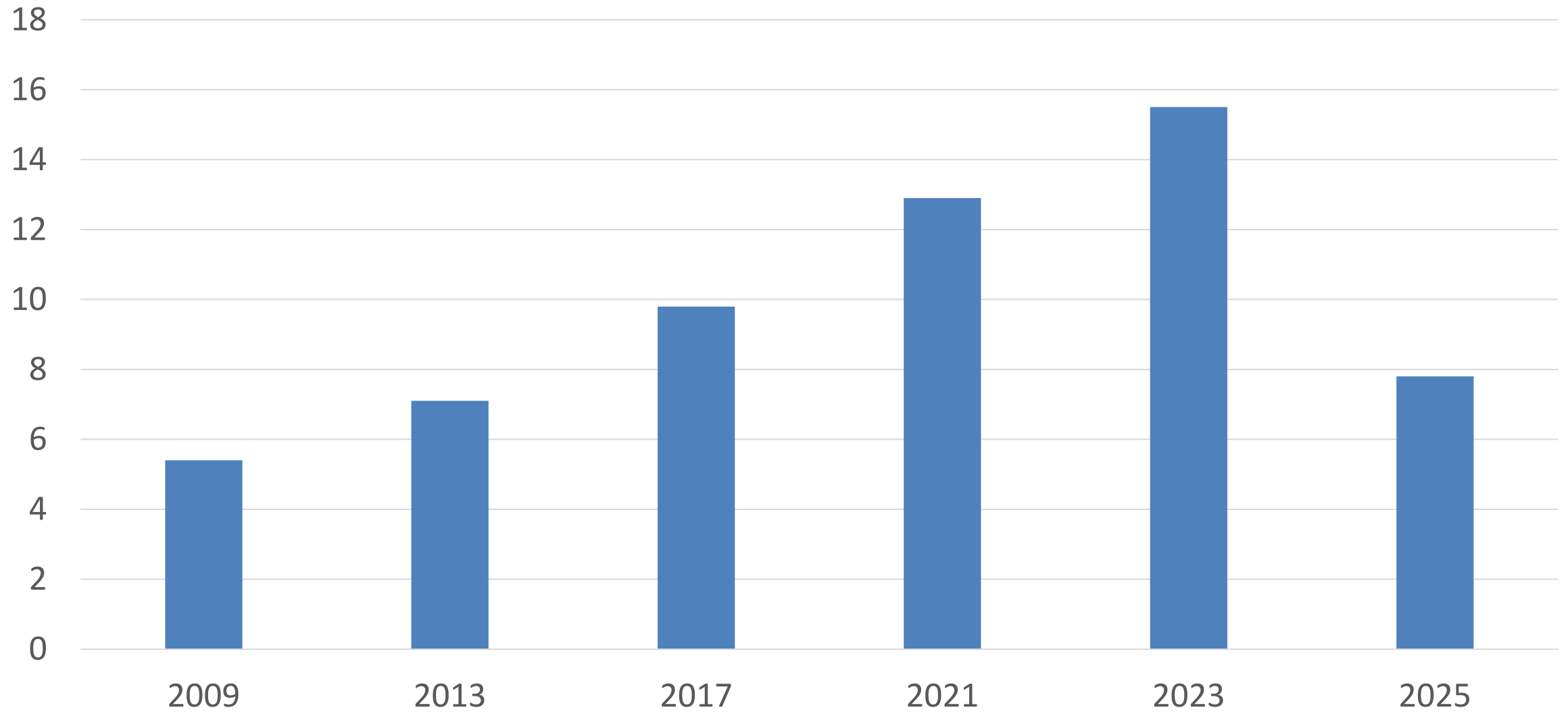


Reducing illegal drug use





Inc housing for low or moderate incomes





TOP THEMES

Q34: What one thing would make Springville a better place to live?

- Fix traffic congestion (Main Street & 400 South)
- Revitalize downtown / Allen's block
- More shopping, restaurants, and family entertainment
- Better code enforcement (junk, weeds, property upkeep)
- Sidewalks, bike paths, and walkability improvements
- Manage growth (limit high-density housing, preserve open space)
- Improve parks and add dog park
- Lower utility costs and taxes



SURVEY FEEDBACK

- How does the survey comport with your view of city services and priorities?
- What should staff be doing with the results of the survey?
- Should the ‘priority for funding’ results impact budget planning at all?



SERVICE LEVEL PROJECT

ADDITIONAL FUNDING



CORE SERVICES PROJECT

Departments were tasked to complete the following assignments:

- Identify the **core services** that they offer.
- Define their current **service level** as established by their **base allocation**.
- Calculate the amount of **base allocation** assigned to each **core service**.



INITIAL TAKEAWAYS

- This is HARD.
- This is SCARY for directors
 - Funding
 - Accountability
- We have done a good job at funding OPERATIONS.
- When times are tough CAPITAL PROJECTS are the first to be cut.
- This has been a PROCESS and we are all learning a lot.

- It IS SOLVEABLE, but it will take careful thought and difficult decisions.



DETOUR
FISCAL MANAGEMENT



COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS

Net Financial Position (In Thousands of Dollars)



More
Sustain
able

Less
Sustain
able

What it is:

The difference between the city's financial assets (like cash and receivables) and its liabilities (like debt and pensions). This is the cumulative surplus/deficit that the city has accumulated through successive budget cycles.

What it tells you:

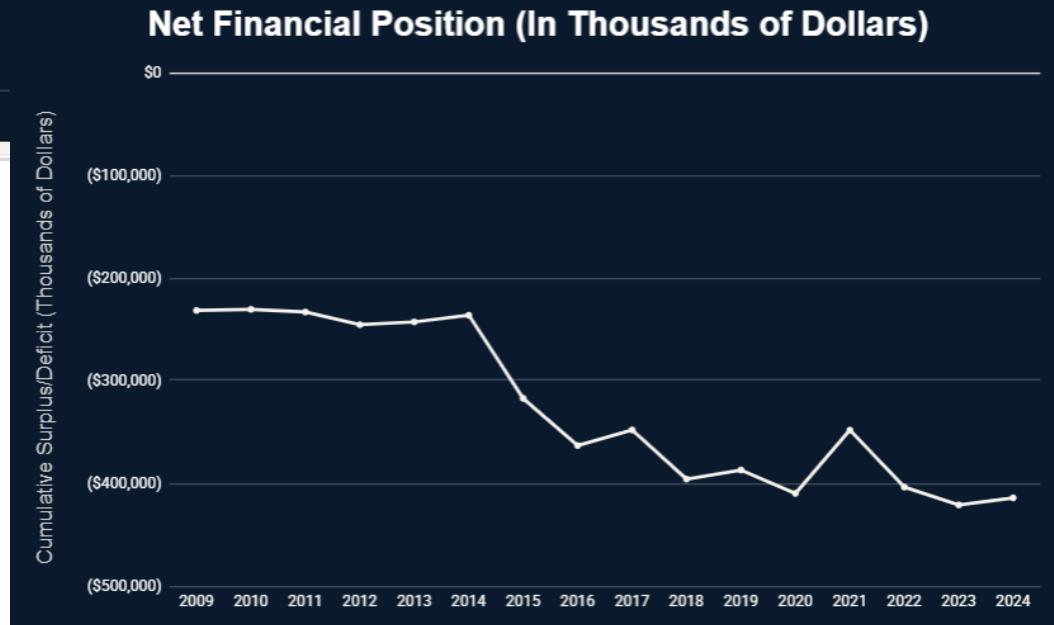
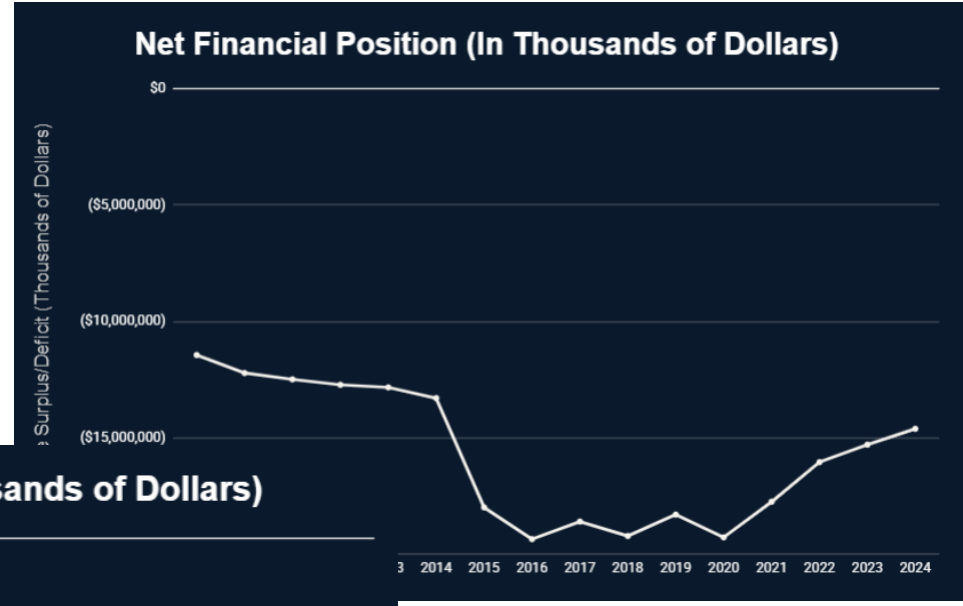
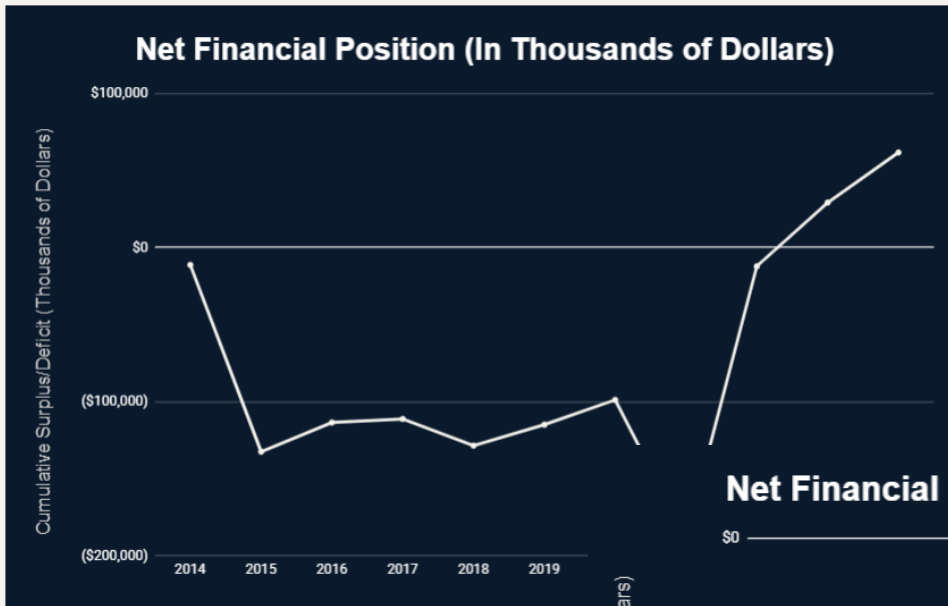
A positive net financial position suggests the city has more financial assets than obligations and is in a better position to weather downturns, invest in infrastructure, or respond to emergencies without resorting to borrowing or service cuts. If this number is negative, the city has spent more than it has saved and is relying on future revenue to pay past bills.

What the trend shows:

A downward trend means the city is growing more reliant on borrowing or deferring payments. An upward trend means it's becoming more financially secure.

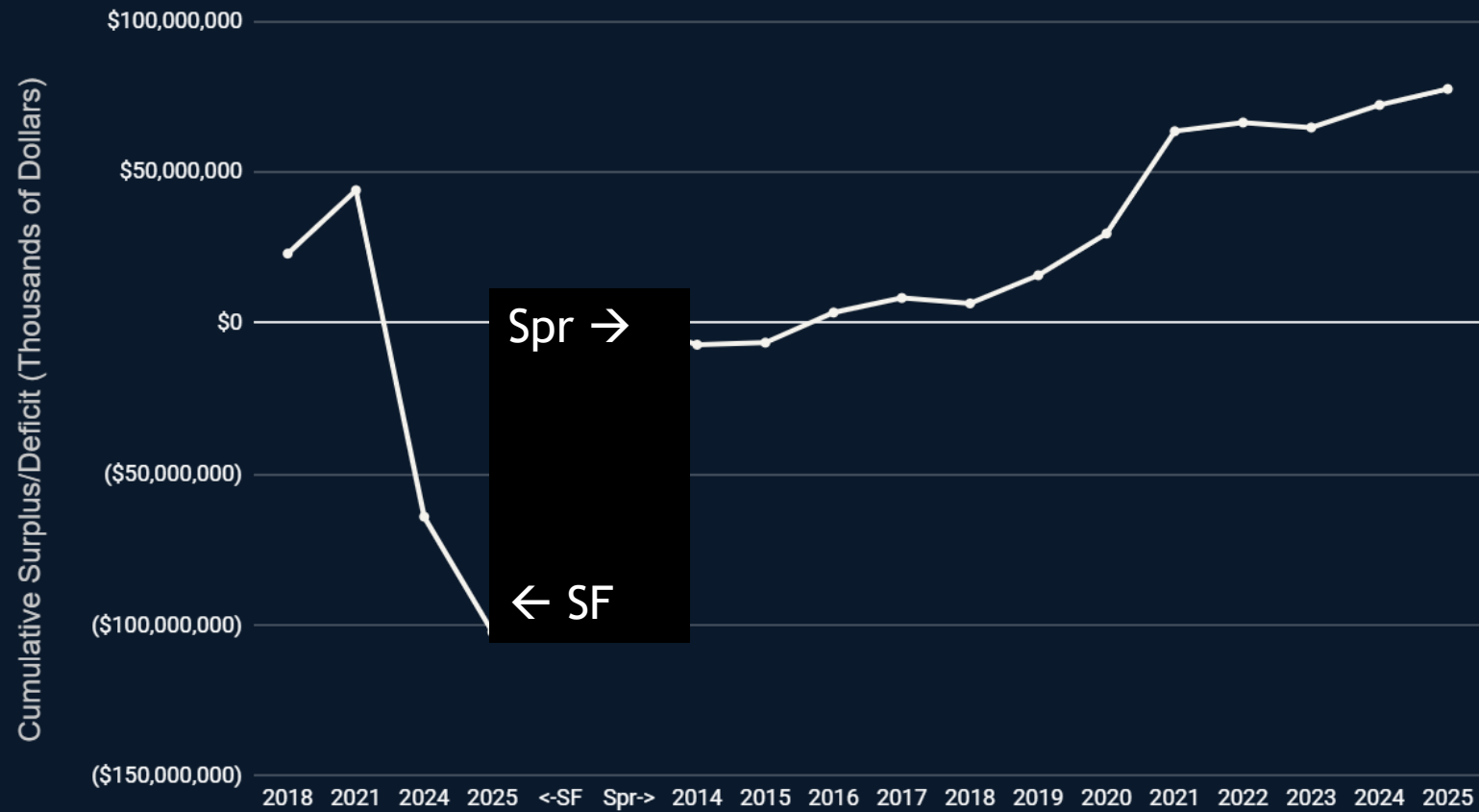


FLAGSTAFF, HOUSTON, NORWALK



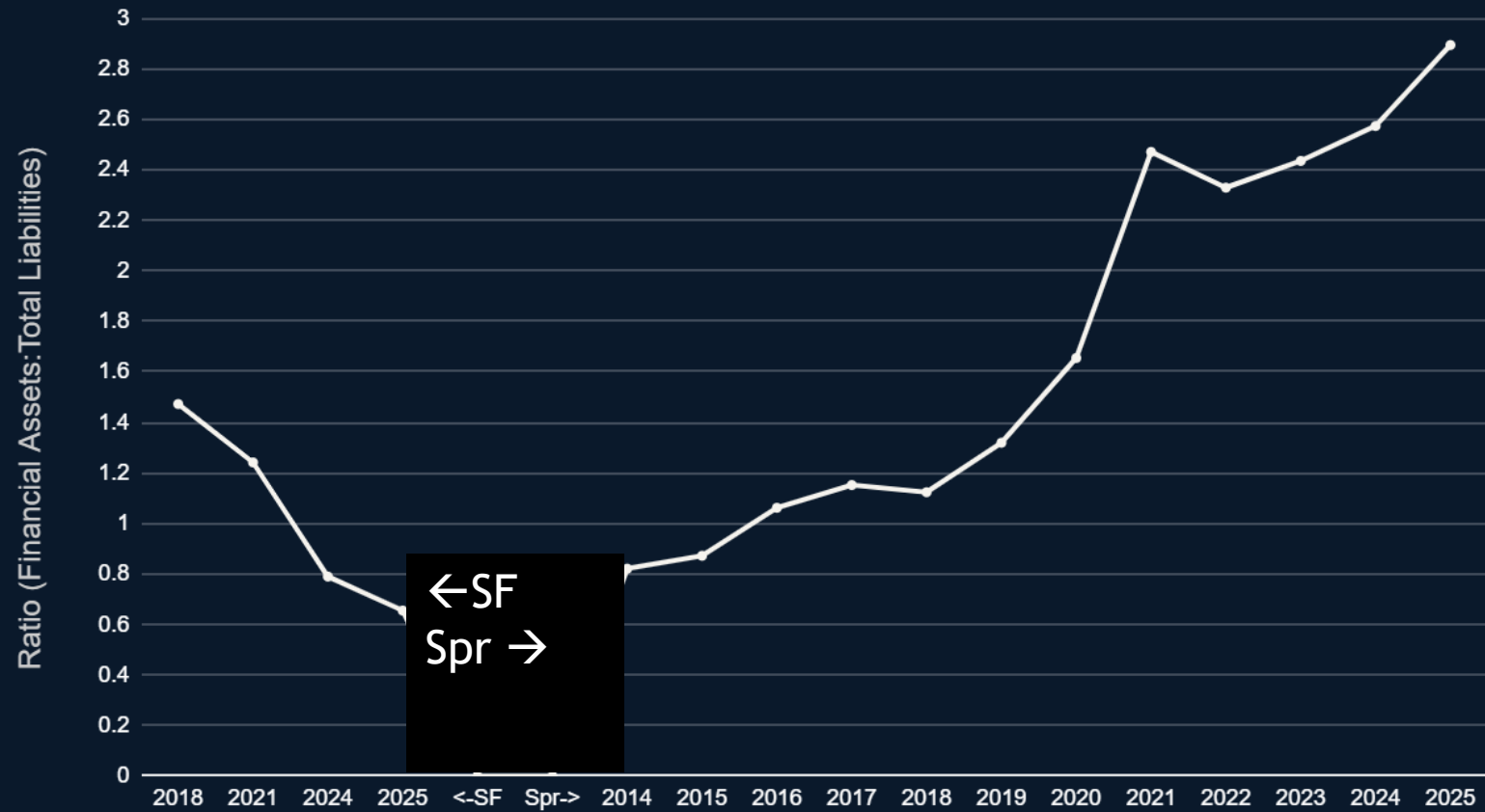


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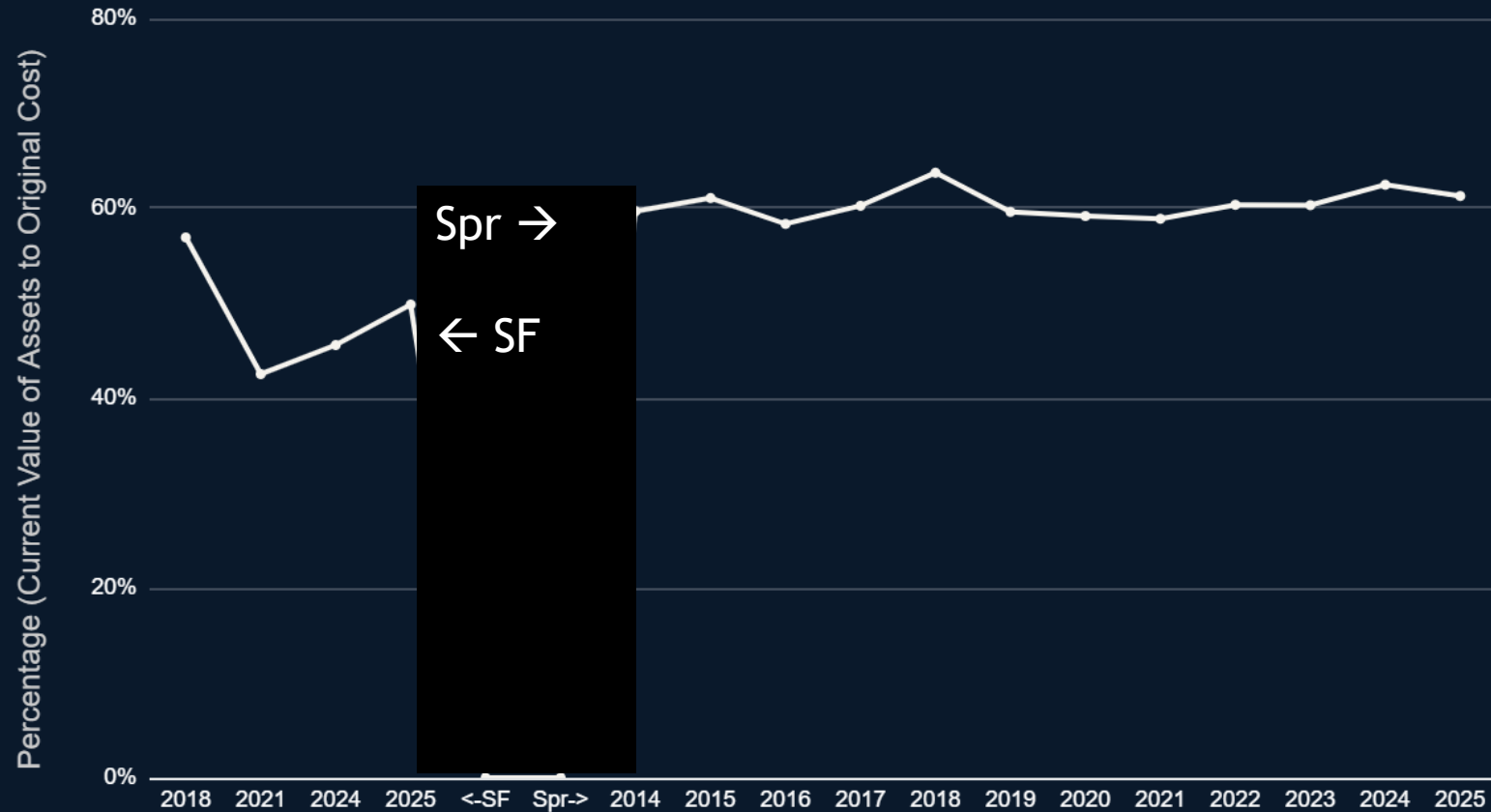


Financial Assets-to-Total Liabilities





Net Book Value-to-Cost of Tangible Capital Assets





IF MY ASSET IS STILL FUNCTIONING PAST DEPRECIATION, IS THAT GOOD OR BAD?





HOW LONG SHOULD CONCRETE LAST?





DETOUR
STATE INFLUENCE



GOVERNOR'S PRIORITIES

- Strengthen Families
- A Robust Economy
- Improving Health
- Educational Excellence
- Protecting Rural Utah
- Solving and Serving
- Establish Government Reform, Innovation & Transparency (GRIT) to drive improvements across state government
- Utah Housing Plan
- BUILD - The purpose of the BUILD Coordinating Council is to align long-range planning efforts across state agencies and all levels of government.



2026 SENATE MAJORITY PRIORITIES

Lower Taxes - Supporting families, workers and small businesses

Affordable Housing - Expanding opportunities for homeownership

Water for the Future - Ensuring long-term sustainability

Powering the Next Revolution - Advancing energy, technology and innovation

Upholding the Constitution - We don't reinterpret. We uphold

Protecting Freedom and Data in a Connected World - Safeguarding personal privacy and online safety

Utah Solutions, Global Impact - Invented here, exported everywhere

Election Integrity - Securing the foundation of democracy

Learning with Purpose and Principles - Preparing students for success



2026 HOUSE MAJORITY PRIORITIES

- We'll take steps to reduce property taxes for Utah homeowners and ensure taxpayers can make their voices heard on local property tax increases.
- The Legislature will help cities invest in the infrastructure needed to bring new homes onto the market at prices Utahns can afford.
- We will also work to improve coordination between state, local, and private partners to ensure new homeownership opportunities strengthen communities rather than straining them.
- By supporting infrastructure, simplifying regulations, and letting the free market work, Utah will make homeownership a reality and keep the American Dream alive.
- We will take steps to lower gas prices for Utahns.



2026 HOUSE MAJORITY PRIORITIES CONT.

We are challenging all levels of government - cities, counties, school districts, and even ourselves - to take a hard look at their budgets and cut anything that isn't benefiting Utahns or is better delivered by Utah's businesses, non-profits, or citizens.

We will continue to invest in transportation from St. George to Logan so Utahns can spend their time doing the things they love, not sitting in traffic.

The Legislature is taking the same long-term approach to water as it does for roads—investing in reliable infrastructure, expanding storage, and maintaining the systems that will keep the taps running for generations to come.



PROPERTY TAX BILLS

- Truth in Taxation process discussion - timing
- Increase fair market exemption for residential property.
- Limits additional property tax through truth in taxation (5%)
- Excludes some valuation increases from calculation
- Constitutional limit on revenue + spending growth tied to inflation and population growth. Voter approval required for new tax increases.



SERVICE LEVEL



Building	Value	Contents Value
Civic Center	\$14,761,678	\$1,260,000
Library	\$10,273,260	\$3,727,500
Clyde Recreation Center	\$23,065,529	\$880,000
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	\$48,100,467	\$5,867,500
Industry Benchmark (2-4%)		\$1,619,039
Fiscal Year 2026 Facility Savings		\$ 713,000

We have 200 buildings/structures worth \$226,422,000



A COMPLEX BALANCING ACT

- Streets
- Power
- Water
- Sewer
- Storm Water
- Facilities
- Parks
- Medians
- Street Trees

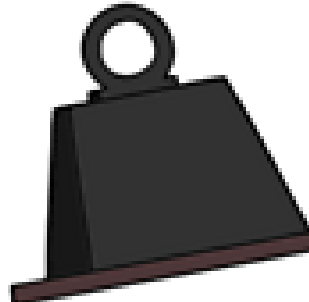




ONLY TWO WAYS TO STAY BALANCED (INFLATION)

Decrease the
service level.

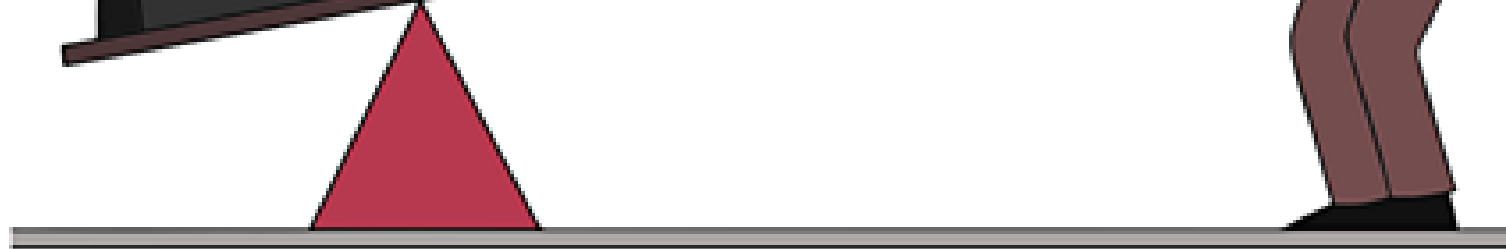
Load



Effort



Increase
revenues or
efficiency



Fulcrum

Balanced Budget



QUESTION

- Is everyone comfortable that we will need some additional funding to maintain service levels in perpetuity or do you want more evidence of this before proceeding?
- Does the Council want to explore service level cuts prior to the staff trying to solve the problem holistically?



PLAN

- Explore ideas for additional revenue today.
- Understand Council's priorities from November.
- Create a balanced budget for FY2027
- Provide a plan to be comprehensively balanced--to maintain service levels along with recommendations for service level adjustments (up and down)



HISTORY

FY24 6.9%
 FY25 4%
 FY26 3%

Operations \$3,179,556

GO Bonds \$1,340,524

Are you open to moving the GO dollars to Operations when they expire?

Are you open to Property Tax increases above inflation to catch up?

Tax Year	General Operations	YoY Change	Interest and Sinking Fund / Bond	YoY Change	Total Certified Tax Rate	YoY Change
2010	0.001625	5.7%	0.000588		0.002213	43.9%
2011	0.001623	-0.1%	0.000480	-18.4%	0.002103	-5.0%
2012	0.001685	3.8%	0.000505	5.2%	0.002190	4.1%
2013	0.001653	-1.9%	0.000506	0.2%	0.002159	-1.4%
2014	0.001575	-4.7%	0.000479	-5.3%	0.002054	-4.9%
2015	0.001459	-7.4%	0.000437	-8.8%	0.001896	-7.7%
2016	0.001396	-4.3%	0.000866	98.2%	0.002262	19.3%
2017	0.001300	-6.9%	0.000787	-9.1%	0.002087	-7.7%
2018	0.001205	-7.3%	0.000709	-9.9%	0.001914	-8.3%
2019	0.001120	-7.1%	0.000643	-9.3%	0.001763	-7.9%
2020	0.001050	-6.3%	0.000562	-12.6%	0.001612	-8.6%
2021	0.000982	-6.5%	0.000515	-8.4%	0.001497	-7.1%
2022	0.000768	-21.8%	0.000391	-24.1%	0.001159	-22.6%
2023	0.000782	1.8%	0.000363	-7.2%	0.001145	-1.2%
2024	0.000786	0.5%	0.000342	-5.8%	0.001128	-1.5%
2025	0.000759	-3.4%	0.000320	-6.4%	0.001079	-4.3%



CIVIC CENTER DEBT

Owe after FY2026	\$2,000,000
Annual Payment from General Fund	\$ 400,000



GET MONEY TO THE RIGHT BUCKETS

- Are you open to moving reserves from one bucket to another?





UTILITY RATES

- Are you open to utility rates above inflation to catch up?



TRANSFER RATES

NOT recommending

- Are you open to an increase in transfer rates?
 - Currently 6.5%
 - 1% generates \$650,000



OTHER IDEAS?