



City of Franklin, Tennessee

2023 Approved Budget Summary

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"Where Progress and History Give You a Unique Sense of Place"

The City is pleased to present this summary of the annual budget for the fiscal year which begins July 1, 2022 and ends on June 30, 2023.

Highlights of 2022-23 Budget

- The budget is balanced.
- The budget fully complies with the Board of Mayor and Aldermen's debt and fund reserve policies.
- Essential service levels are maintained.
- The City property tax remains unchanged at \$0.3261 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The Invest Franklin dedicated funding for infrastructure/transportation investment and The City of Franklin continues to maintain one support of City operations remains in place. The City of Franklin continues to maintain one of the lowest municipal property tax rates in the State of Tennessee.
- The budget includes the full implementation of an updated compensation plan for the City. Due to the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic, this is the first comprehensive update to the City's pay plan in five years. City Pay Grades which were increased by 5% in January of 2022 will be increased an additional 5% in July of 2022. Nearly 70% of City positions are being moved up one or more pay grades with the City's two lowest paid grades being eliminated and moved up.
- A general pay increase for City team members will be effective the first pay period of July 2021. The budget includes a general pay increase of 5%, an additional performance-based pay increase of up to an additional 2.5%, and an additional \$1,000 pay increase for all employees under \$90,000 in annual salary.
- Health insurance premiums for City team members will increase by 5% for FY23, the first increase in premiums in two years.
- In FY23, the City will create a separate Capital Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund. This approach will provide better, updated vehicles to our team in a more efficient manner.



Services Provided

<p>Governance & Management</p> <p>Board of Mayor & Alderman, City Administrator, Human Resources, Law, Communications, Emergency Management</p>	<p>Public Safety</p> <p>Criminal Investigations, Patrol, Fire Suppression, Fire Investigation, Fire Prevention</p>	<p>Finance & Administration</p> <p>Finance, Purchasing, Information Technology, Municipal Court, Project & Facilities Management, Revenue Management</p>	<p>Public Works</p> <p>Streets (including Road Maintenance, Traffic & Fleet Maintenance), Parks, Sanitation & Environmental Services, Water & Wastewater Management</p>	<p>Community & Economic Development</p> <p>Building & Neighborhood Services, Planning & Sustainability, Engineering, Parks, Economic Development, Transit, and Stormwater Management</p>
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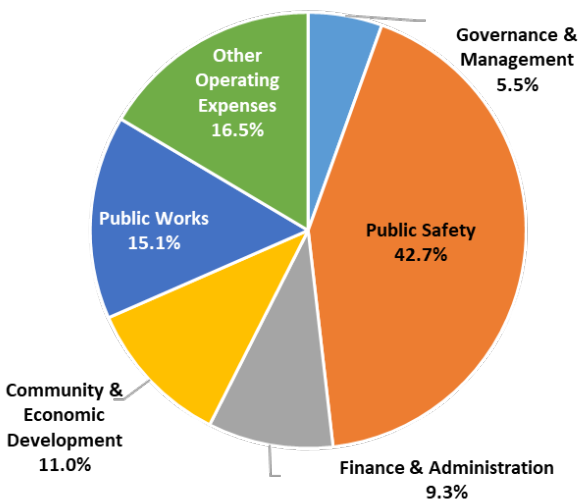
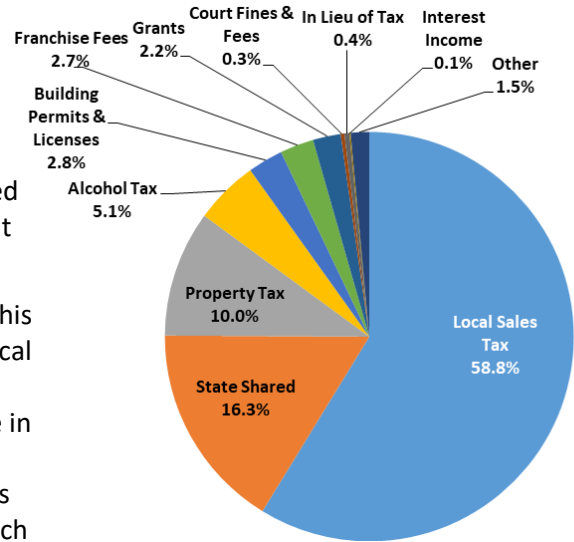
Highlights of 2022-23 Budget (continued)

- The FY23 budget includes a \$1.50 per month increase for resident trash and recycling collection (from \$20.50/month to \$22/month).
- Funding for the update of the Envision Franklin Land Use Plan is included in the FY23 budget.
- The budget incorporates performance measures and sustainability initiatives for every department. The connection to our Strategic Plan, FranklinForward, is clearly linked to performance measures and objectives throughout the budget, including insights from the recently completed citizen survey.

Revenues

The 2022-23 (FY23) General Fund budget is \$94,896,513, which represents an increase of 2% compared to the current \$93,065,290 million budget for 2021-22 (FY22). The FY23 budget for all funds is \$207,021,700, which represents an increase of 15.1% compared to FY22. Approximately \$20 million of the all funds budget is the planned use of cash reserves from various funds to support capital investment projects. The General Fund is shown at right.

Although revenues are only increasing by 2.0% overall in FY 2023, this increase is coming after significant increases in Sales Taxes – both Local Option and State Shared Sales Taxes in FY 2022 of over 20% in each category. This significant growth has been fueled by the .5% increase in the Local Option Sales Tax rate, a strong economy and inflationary pressures. While this growth in revenues is welcome, we are cautious when approaching FY 2023 and have only forecast a 1% growth in each respective sales tax category given the tremendous uncertainty in the global economy.



Expenses

The total available resources within the General Fund is \$94,896,513 for FY23, an increase of 2.0%. Of note:

- The budget includes 13 new positions and one “restored” position in the General Fund. The new positions within the General Fund include four new Police Officers, a Fire Information Systems Analyst, a Public Works Analyst, an Information Technology Technician, a Paralegal, a Capital Projects Inspector, a Benefits Generalist, an Organizational Development Specialist, an Assistant Preservation Planner, an Assistant Field Turf Supervisor, and the restoration of a Building Inspector position. In the City’s other operating funds, there are two new positions in the Sanitation Fund and two restored positions in Water Management Fund.
- Funding overall of \$11.5 million in Program Enhancement

Requests across all funds (nearly \$8.0 million in the General Fund), including needed replacements of equipment and vehicles which were unable to be purchased in FY 2021 & 2022 (such as Police Cruisers, dozens of replacement commercial fleet vehicles, replacement dump trucks and replacements for Fire Engines 1, Engine 6 and Tower 6), a new leaf vacuum, new software to improve operations and service delivery in Municipal Court, Fire, Fleet Management and Payroll, cyber security tools an update to the Envision Franklin Land Use Plan, additional funding to Outside Agencies.