

# **Agenda**

- 1. Budget Overview
- 2. Budget Process (High Level)
- 3. Budgeting Best Practices



# What is a Budget?

The budget is a plan of financial operation embodying an estimate of proposed expenditures for a given period and the proposed means of financing them. The budget serves as the primary tool in allocating financial resources to programs and services.

- A budget identifies:
  - How much \$\$ you need;
  - Where the \$\$ is coming from; and
  - How is the funding allocated



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# **NACSLB-Framework**

The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB) was created to provide tools for governments to improve their budgeting processes and to promote their use. In fulfilling that role, the NACSLB has set forth a framework that has provided the context for development of a set of budget practices for state and local governments. The budget practices identified by the NACSLB take into account, and respect, the differences in state and local laws, the impact of the political aspects of government, and the management needs of government. The practices are appropriate for a variety of management and political styles.





# **NACSLB-Budget Process**

- The budget process consists of activities that encompass the development, implementation, and evaluation of a plan for the provision of services and capital assets.
- A good budget process:
  - Incorporates a long-term perspective
  - Establishes linkages to broad organizational goals
  - Focuses budget decisions on results and outcomes
  - Involves and promotes effective communication with stakeholders
  - Provides incentives to government management and employees



# **NACSLB – Four Principles/12 Elements**

#### Establish Broad Goals to Guide Government Decision Making

- Assess community needs, priorities, challenges, and opportunities
- Identify opportunities and challenges for government services, capital assets, and management
- Develop and disseminate broad goals

#### Develop Approaches to Achieve Goals

- Adopt financial policies
- Develop programmatic, operating, and capital policies and plans
- Develop programs and services that are consistent with policies and plans
- Develop management strategies

#### Develop a Budget Consistent with Approaches to Achieve Goals

- Develop a process for preparing and adopting a budget
- Develop and evaluate financial options
- Make choices necessary to adopt a budget

# Evaluate Performance and Make Adjustments

- Adjustments
   Monitor, measure, and
- evaluate performanceMake adjustments as needed

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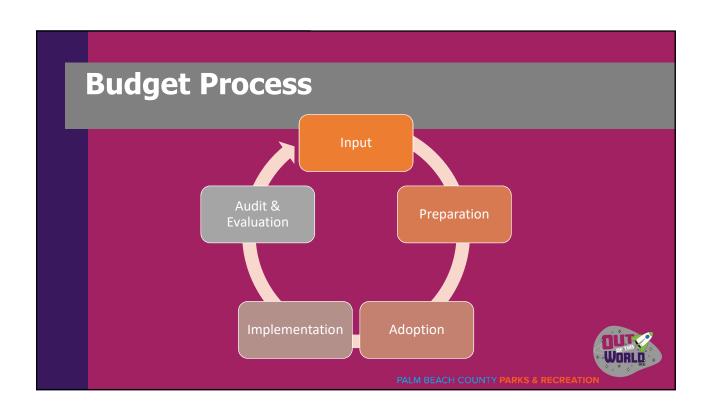
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# Types of Budget Incremental Budgeting (Traditional) Performance-Based Budgeting Zero-Based Budgeting Program Budgeting Line-Item Budgeting

• Multi-Year Budgeting

• Performance-Informed Budgeting







# **Budget Instruction Manual**



Contains instructions for preparing and submitting the budget

- Budget Calendar
- Department Instructions
- Assumptions (COLA, Insurance, Interest Rates, etc.)
- Forms

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# **Departmental Requests**



Transmittal Memo

Budget schedules that detail the amount requested

Narrative justification of requested amount

**Performance Measures** 



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# **Legislative Consideration and Adoption**

#### Chapter 200, Florida Statutes-Truth in Millage (TRIM)

- Open discussion of millage rates and budgets
- Purpose is to provide transparency in how local taxing authorities propose and approve millage rates
- Outlines requirements to be in TRIM compliance
- Determine if there is a tax increase proposed based on the rolled-back rate



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# **Legislative Consideration and Adoption**

- Proposed budget is presented to legislative body for consideration
- Reviews budget to ensure constituent needs are addressed
- Holds public hearing in accordance with Florida Statutes and local ordinances



# **Legislative Consideration and Adoption**

#### **TRIM Process:**

- Specific process that informs taxpayers and the public about the legislative process taxing authorities use to determine ad valorem (property) taxes
- Provides for public input and requires governing bodies to state specific reasons for changes in taxes and budget
- Sets the maximum operating millage for Florida cities and counties at 10 mills
- Oversight by Department of Revenue

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# **Legislative Consideration and Adoption**

#### **Roll-Back Rate**

- The millage rate necessary to raise, in the aggregate, the same amount of money this year from the taxpayers on last year's tax roll that was raised a year ago (excludes new construction)
- Levying a millage rate higher than the rolledback rate requires the taxing authority to advertise a tax increase



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# **Legislative Consideration and Adoption**

# **Public Hearings**

- General public is allowed to speak before governing body can take any action
- Millage must be adopted before budget adoption





# **Implementation**

- Budget is uploaded into the financial system as approved by the legislative body
- Staff should work closely with the OMB Office

#### **Budget Division**

The OFMB Budget Division prepares and administers Palm Beach County's annual budget in accordance with Florida Statutes and the policies of the Palm Beach Board of County Commissioners. On behalf of the County Administration Department and the Board of County Commissioners, the Budget Division fulfills an oversight role and rovides general guidance and assistance to County departments, members of the public, media representatives, and other government agencies.

#### Primary services include:

- Preparing the County's annual operating and capital budgets,
   analyzing and processing changes to the adopted budget,
   planning for future operating and capital requirements,
- reporting financial trends and issues, major project status, and departmental performance measurement data,
   reviewing and commenting on the fiscal impact of Board agenda items,
   and, providing financial expertise, assistance, and information to the Board, Administration, departments, citizens, and media representatives

#### **Budget Documents**

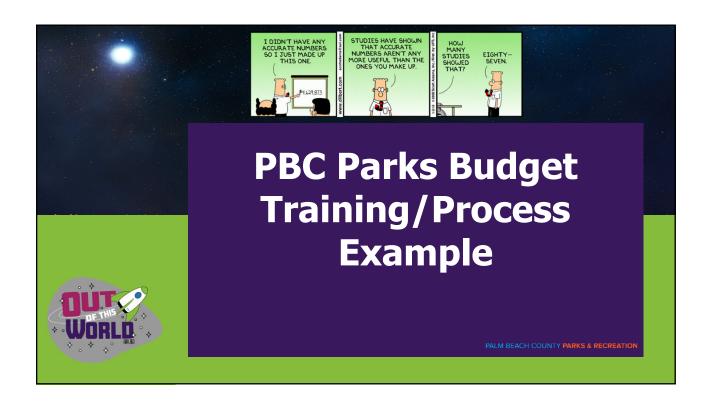
Revenue Manual Marie Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

# **Audit and Evaluation**

- Monitor Budget monthly and/or quarterly
- Report actual compared to budget
- Adjust budget as necessary
- Monitor Progress toward Objectives



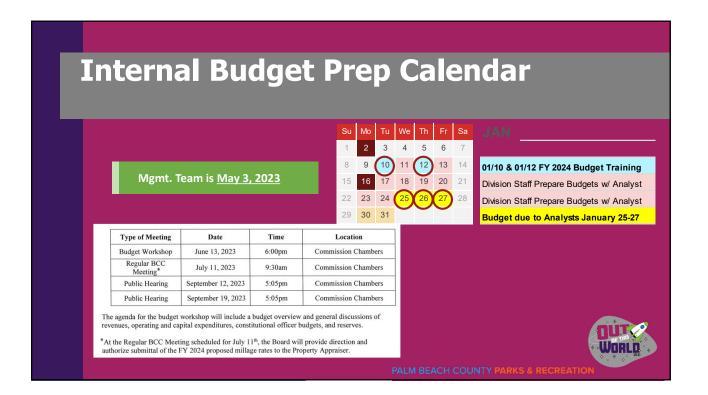




# **PBC Parks FY 2024 Budget Process**

- Create Internal Budget Calendar
- Train Staff
- Review and Analyze Staff Budget Submittals
- Prepare Department Budget
- Review Completed Department Budget with Department Director/Deputy Director
- Submit Budget to OFMB
- Director Sells Budget to Management Team and/or BOCC

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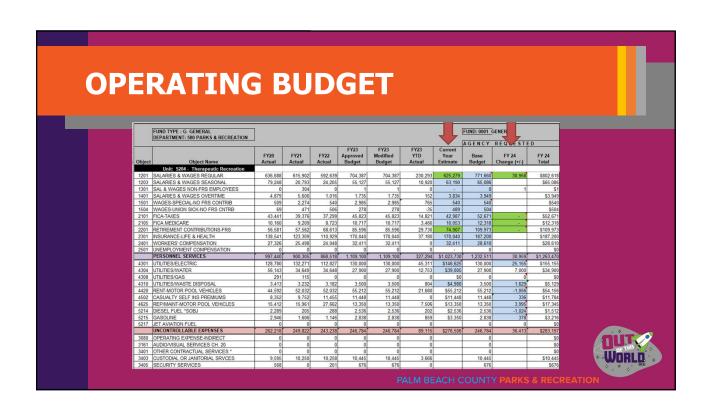


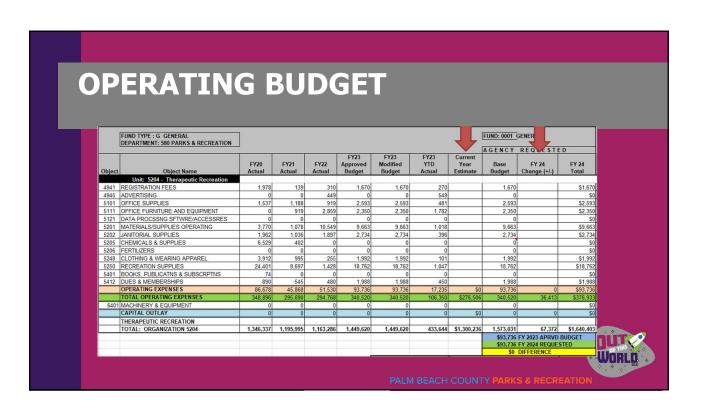


# **OPERATING BUDGET**

- Review " "FY20 Actual", FY21 Actual", "FY22 Actual", and FY23 YTD Actual columns.
- Input "Current Year Estimate"
- Input any changes from your "Base Budget" into the "FY 2024 Change (+/-)" column.
- Keep your FY 2024 bottom line budget request the same as your FY 2023 request.
- Uncontrollable Items and personal services (including non-permanent hours) will be calculated by FSS staff.
- You can move funding between object codes within the same appropriation.
- Don't budget funds in an object code if you don't plan to spend the money.

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# **SALARIES**

- The FSS Division Director will prepare the salary budget for the Department including estimates and projections. Estimates and projections for Non-Permanent positions will be based on prior year actuals from TAS.
- After the FSS Division Director has completed the nonpermanent salary budget, Division Directors will have one week to review the budget and provide feedback.



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# **SALARIES**

- Non-Permanent Positions
  - Budgeted hours cannot exceed 1040 hours in a fiscal year.
  - Are not permitted payment for time not worked (meals, rest period, sick, holiday, or vacation pay)
  - Cannot work more than 29 hours on average per week during a 12 month period.
    - The look back period for insurance purposes is the initial hire date. Subsequent years are from 11/01 through 10/31 each calendar year.
    - The lookback period also applies to PPT 20 employees.
  - Attrition dollars cannot be used for the permanent establishment of these positions.
  - Starting salaries should be commensurate or less than existing County pay grades for similar positions.

# **SALARIES**

Effective January 1, 2021, Florida's minimum wage will increase from \$8.56 per hour to \$8.65 per hour. The direct minimum wage for tipped employees will increase from \$5.54 per hour to \$5.63 per hour. Florida employers, meanwhile, may still continue to take a tip credit of up to \$3.02 per hour for those classified as tipped employees.

However, this will not be the only minimum wage increase for 2021. In November, Florida voters passed a Constitutional Amendment which will gradually raise the minimum wage to \$15.00 per hour by 2026. Specifically, the state minimum wage will increase each September as follows:

- \$10.00 on September 30, 2021;
- \$11.00 on September 30, 2022;
- \$12.00 on September 30, 2023;
- \$13.00 on September 30, 2024;
- \$14.00 on September 30, 2025; and
- \$15.00 on September 30, 2026.

On September 30 of each year after 2026, Florida's minimum wage will again be subject to annual increases based upon the percentage increase in the federal "Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers in the South Region.

# SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS

- Supplemental requests may consist of one or more of the following:
  - Operating Requests
    - Large \$\$ operating budget increases with significant impact to operations
  - Capital Equipment
    - Fleet requests must be budgeted as an operating supplemental request. Policy, gas, and maintenance must also be budgeted.
  - Revenue Increases
    - A supplemental request would be appropriate for MAJOR revenue increases that will be used to offset a supplemental expense request or for new fees that are controversial in nature.
    - Do NOT include supplemental revenue increases on your revenue budget spreadsheet.
  - New Full Time Positions
    - · Request must include following information:
      - Position(s) classification
      - Justification as to why the position(s) is needed.
      - If applicable, explanation of where funding is available (i.e. revenue offset, position deletion).



# **REVENUE BUDGET**

- **FY 2023 Estimates**: Don't overestimate your revenue. Estimates should be based on what you know has occurred YTD and what you anticipate will continue to occur through the end of the FY.
- FY 2024 Projections: Projections should be based on what you believe will occur for FY 2023 and most likely will be similar to your FY 2024 budgeted. However, disruptions in operations should be taken into consideration when preparing your budget.
- <u>Fee Analysis:</u> Compare your fees to similar facilities (public and private) and determine if your rate should be adjusted. See PPM DOF-016.
- <u>Assumptions:</u> Input assumptions used in preparing your forecasts. (i.e. reduced attendance, new program, building under construction, etc.)

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# **OPERATING VS CAPITAL BUDGET**

- The operating budget includes expenses that are generally of a recurring nature and are appropriated for one year only.
- The capital budget includes one-time costs for projects that may last several years. <u>The projects result in major</u> <u>physical assets for the County</u>.
- Resources for the capital budget generally come from bond issues, impact fees, grants, and taxes. The one-cent sales surtax passed during the November 8, 2016 election to complete the backlog of infrastructure, repair, and replacement projects.

# **CAPITAL BUDGET (examples)**

- Large one-time requests for capital construction projects or repair and renovation projects that may take more than one fiscal year to design and complete.
  - Aqua Crest Pool Renovations
  - Canyon District Park
  - Restroom Building Replacement
  - New CCRT Parks
  - Asphalt Overlay Projects
  - Entire Ballfield Renovation
  - Restroom Renovations



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# **CAPITAL BUDGET (examples)**

- Large dollar one-time equipment purchases costing more than \$5,000 that cannot be funded through the Operating Budget.
  - Vehicles
  - Maintenance Equipment
  - Plotter
  - Sign Shop Equipment
  - Point of Sale System Replacement



# **CAPITAL BUDGET**

- Regular facility maintenance expenses should **NOT** be included in the capital budget, and should be in your operating budget.
  - Examples include: janitorial services, pest control, fire alarm monitoring, utilities, regular landscaping maintenance, annual tree trimming, minor building or equipment repairs, etc.



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# CAPITAL BUDGET

			PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PRIORITY					
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