BUDGET IN BRIEF

City of Blue Springs, Missouri

October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025

The Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget for the City of Blue Springs is the fiscal plan for this city for the next year. City Departments have set forth the goals and objectives they want to accomplish, including services and capital improvement projects.

Revenues

- The City of Blue Springs receives revenues from several sources, including property taxes, sales taxes, utility franchise fees, licenses fees, fines, charges for services, grants from other governmental agencies, donations, water sales and sewer services.

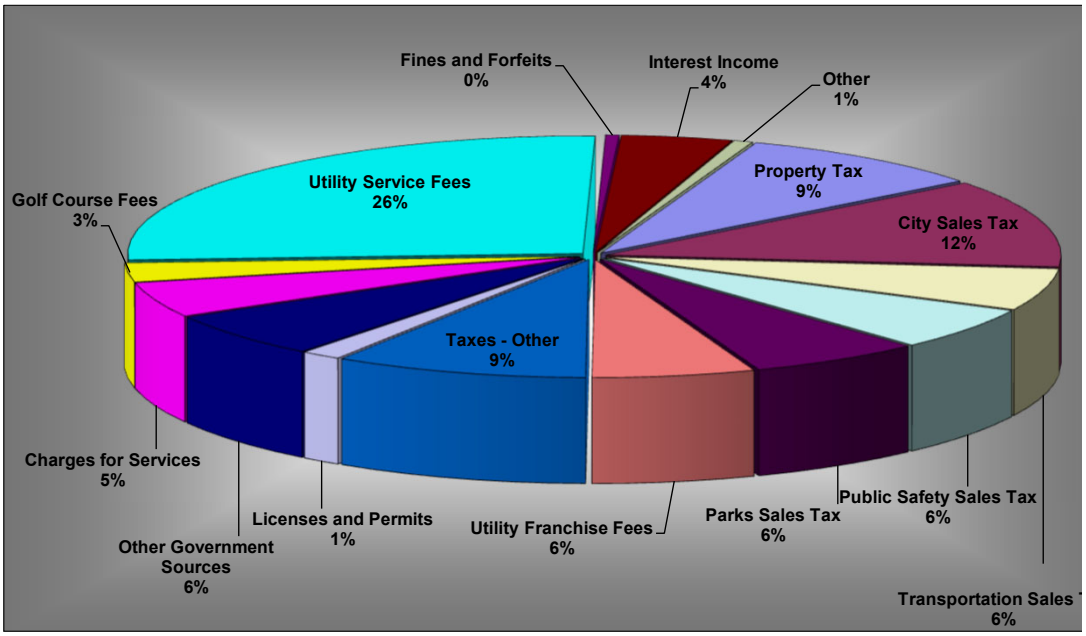
- Some of our largest revenue sources include:
  - $11,453,788 Water Sales
  - $11,370,677 Sewer Service
  - $10,730,435 1% City Sales Tax
  - $7,911,537 Property Taxes
  - $6,936,973 Tax Increment Finance Tax (TIF)
  - $5,446,456 Parks Sales Tax
  - $5,118,411 Utility Franchise Fees
  - $5,456,973 Other Government Sources
  - $5,166,412 Public Safety Sales Tax
  - $5,090,436 Transportation Sales Tax

- Overall revenues are expected to increase in nearly every category next year. General Fund is projected to increase by 5.69% or $1,687,286. Fines and Forfeits are projected to decrease compared to the adopted FY 2023-24 budget due to rising interest rates which negatively impacts building and right of way permits.

- The General Fund balance is required to stay at or above an amount equal to 25 percent of General Fund operating expenditures to provide for a 25 percent Emergency Reserve Fund. In addition, reserves of 25% each year, 50% of the growth in unassigned fund balance will be allocated to the Pavement Management Program each year. The 2024-25 budget projects an Emergency and Budget Stabilization Fund amount of $8,033,149 and anticipates fund balance will exceed this amount.

Where the Money Comes From

Revenue by Source



Fiscal Year 2024-25

Property Tax	$	7,911,537
City Sales Tax	$	10,730,435
Transportation Sales Tax	$	5,090,436
Public Safety Sales Tax	$	5,166,412
Parks Sales Tax	$	5,446,456
Utility Franchise Fees	$	5,118,411
Taxes - Other	$	7,969,793
Licenses and Permits	$	1,262,100
Other Government Sources	$	5,456,973
Charges for Services	$	4,270,546
Golf Course Fees	$	2,317,792
Utility Service Fees	$	23,285,182
Fines and Forfeits	$	429,914
Interest Income	$	3,505,072
Other	$	605,620
Use of Cash Reserves	$	7,428,854
Total	**$**	**95,995,532**

Expenditures

Expenditures for the City of Blue Springs in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 will total $95,995,532.

- The Expenditures include funding for:
  - personal services costs (salaries and benefits)
  - supplies and materials
  - contracted services
  - debt service payments (principal and interest)
  - capital outlay for equipment, vehicles, and computer enhancements, and
  - capital improvement projects

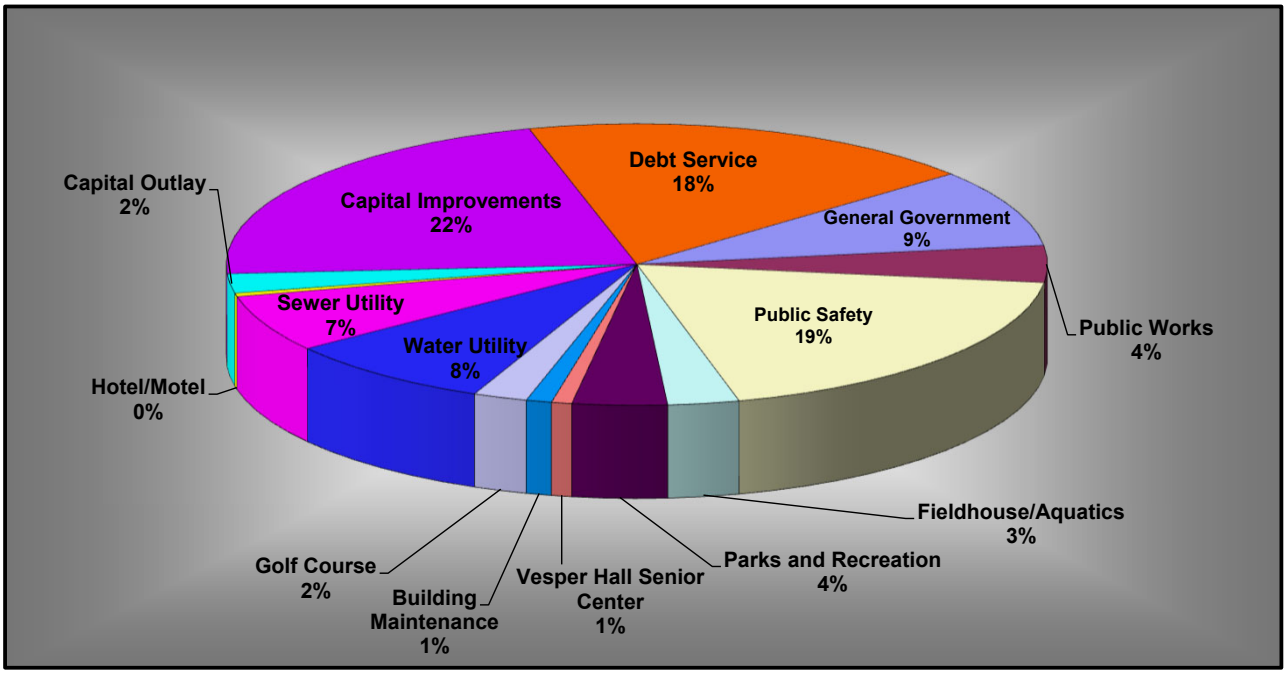
- The City has 339.13 Full-time Positions (including all full-time and part-time employees). The FTEs have increased by 3 positions compared to the 2023-24 adopted budget. The City Attorney position has been reclassified from a full-time position to a professional services agreement and four animal control officers have been added. Throughout the year, several positions were renamed based upon experience, job responsibilities and evolving organizational needs, without increasing the total number of employees. Those job titles include Senior Director, Assistant to the City Administrator, Assistant Director of Finance, Assistant Court Administrator, Senior Deputy Court Clerk, and Senior Administrative Assistant.

- Capital Improvement expenditures focus on the following priority areas:
  - Sanitary Sewer and Water System Maintenance
  - Parks Deferred Maintenance
  - Pavement Maintenance Program

- Other major expenditure line items include Wholesale Water Purchases, Purchased Sewer Services, Facility Utilities, Street Light Utilities, Park Maintenance Supplies, Training, Fuel, Patrol Car Replacement, Street Maintenance Materials and Prisoner Expenses.

Where the Money Goes

Expenditures by Function



Fiscal Year 2024-25

General Government	$	8,591,957
Public Works	$	4,062,398
Public Safety	$	18,167,513
Fieldhouse/Aquatics	$	2,693,289
Parks and Recreation	$	3,582,054
Vesper Hall Senior Center	$	764,914
Building Maintenance	$	963,248
Golf Course	$	2,043,410
Water Utility	$	8,004,126
Sewer Utility	$	6,253,455
Hotel/Motel	$	380,000
Capital Outlay	$	2,138,700
Capital Improvements	$	20,953,380
Debt Service	$	17,397,089
Total	**$**	**95,995,532**

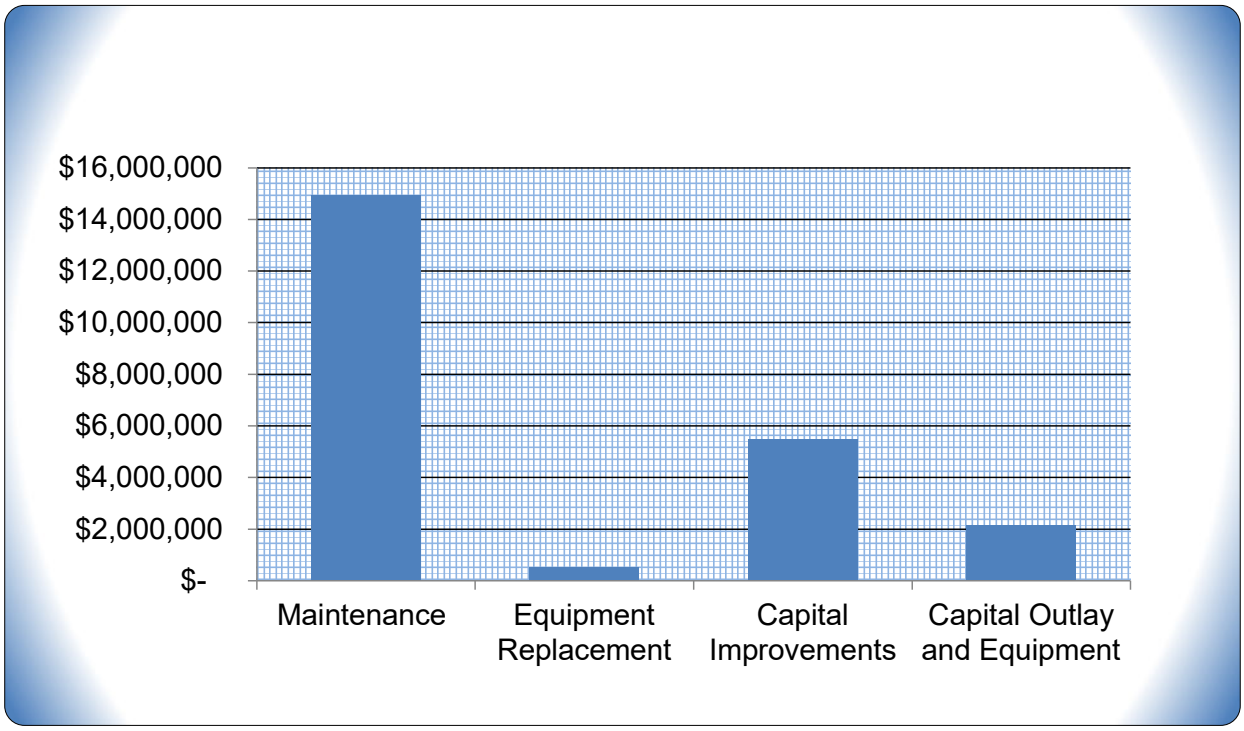
Capital Improvements

Total Expenditures: $23,092,080

Maintenance		**$**	**14,946,007**
PR-15	Blue Springs Park Improvements	$	175,000
PR-18	Hidden Valley Park Improvements	$	3,675,000
PR-80	Trail Renovations	$	420,000
PR-81	Pink Hill Park Maintenance Building Improvements	$	750,000
PS-16	Communications Quality Control System	$	85,000
SAN-07	Citywide Maintenance	$	1,050,000
SNI-01	Sludge Removal	$	4,000,000
ST-06	Pavement Maintenance Program	$	2,625,000
ST-43	7 Highway Sidewalk Infill	$	850,000
ST-44	Concrete Repair and Maintenance	$	233,650
STM-06	Stormwater Maintenance	$	105,000
WA-12	Miscellaneous Watermain Maintenance	$	750,000
WA-14	Water Tank Maintenance Contract	$	227,357
Equipment Replacement		**$**	**516,373**
ST-24	Snow Plow / Dump Truck	$	220,000
ST-26	1.5 Ton Dump/Snow Truck	$	110,000
SAN -17	12,000 lb. Hydraulic Excavator	$	78,373
WA-04	18,000 lb. class Hydraulic Excavator	$	108,000
Capital Improvements		**$**	**5,491,000**
BF-19	Public Utilities Building -Phase II	$	3,266,000
PR-49	Parks and Open Space comprehensive Plan-Update	$	200,000
ST-52	AA Highway Improvement	$	1,625,000
SAN-19	Sewer Infrastructure Deployment	$	200,000
WA-17	Water Infrastructure Deployment	$	200,000
Capital Outlay and Equipment		**$**	**2,138,700**
Codes		$	49,999
Information Technology		$	71,000
Parks Maintenance		$	397,942
Parks Vesper Hall Senior Center		$	3,000
Police Community Services Bureau		$	63,000
Police Investigative Services Bureau		$	70,000
Police Operations Bureau		$	324,836
Public Safety Sales Tax Information Technology		$	7,500
Public Safety Sales Tax Administration		$	199,500
Public Safety Sales Tax Investigative Services Bureau		$	52,000
Public Safety Sales Tax Operations Bureau		$	341,000
Sewer Operations		$	212,600
Street Maintenance		$	67,223
Water Operations		$	187,600

Capital Improvements

Type of Improvement

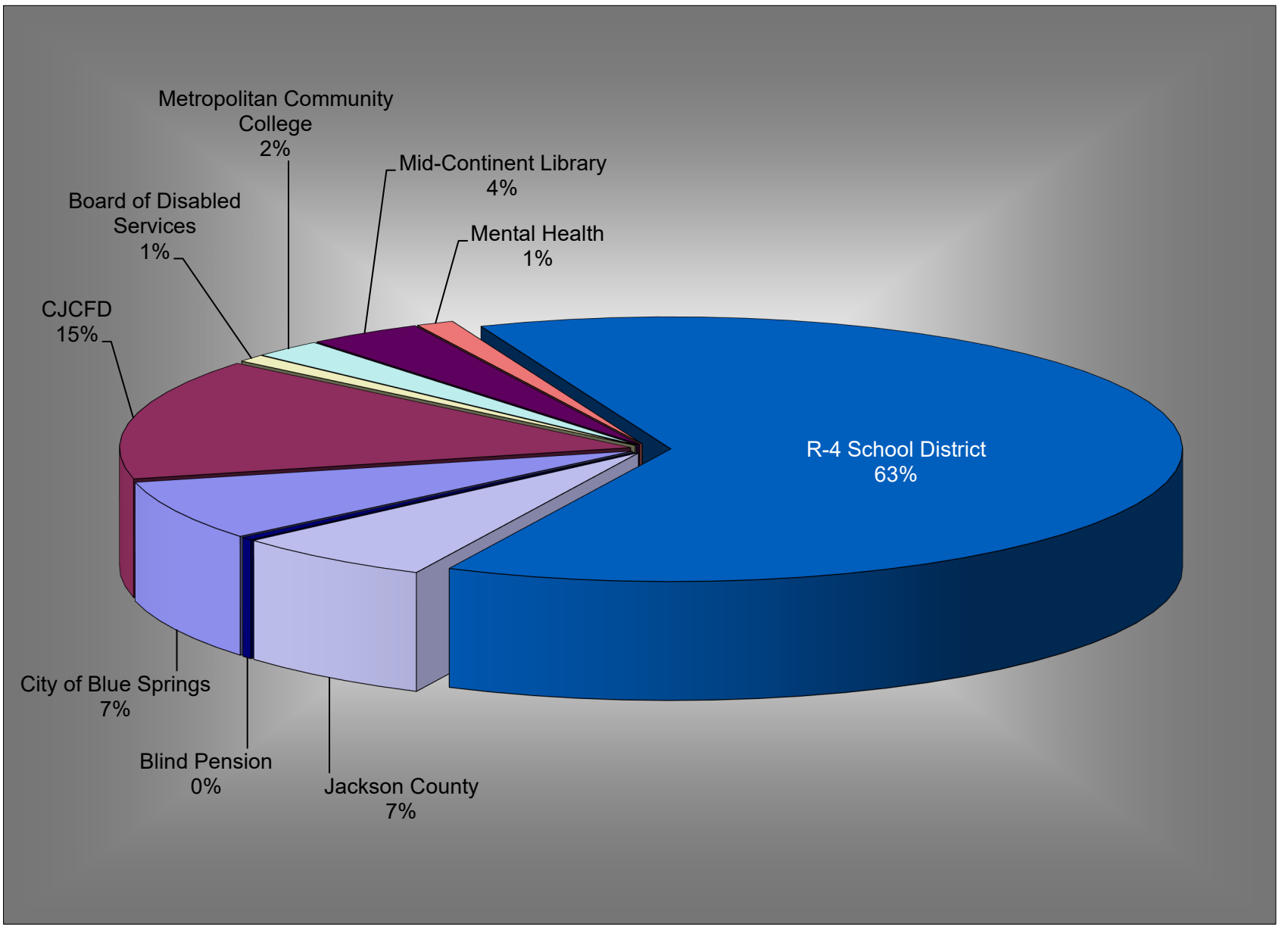


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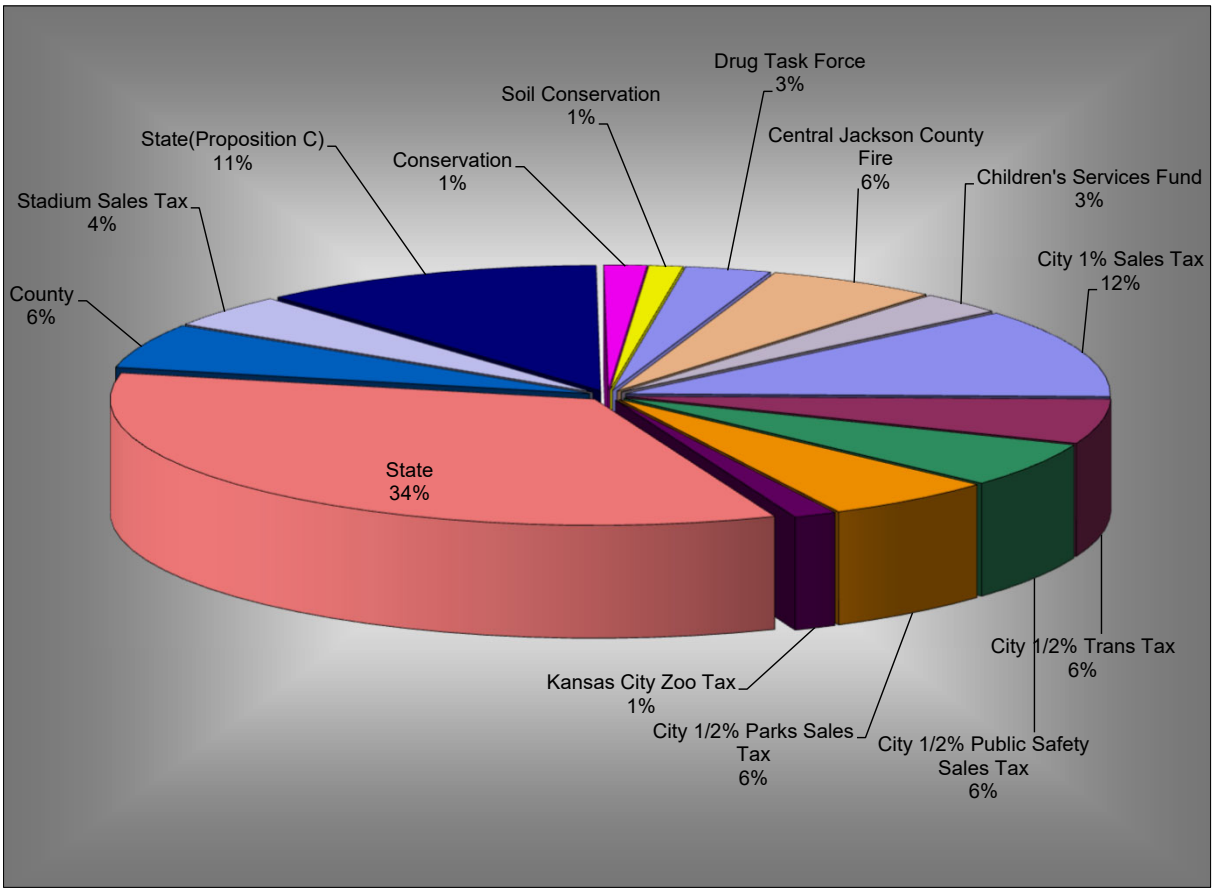
Property Tax Revenue Distribution



The 2024 property tax rate is $8.012 per $100 assessed valuation. The City's portion of the $8.012 is $0.5862. Of the $0.5862, $0.4362 goes to the General Fund for general government purposes and $.15 pays debt service on general obligation bonds in the General Obligation Bond Debt Service Fund.

Where Your Tax Dollars Go

Sales Tax Revenue Distribution



The 2024 City sales tax rate is 8.725 % of gross sales. The City's portion of the 8.725 % is 1 percent. This is the largest general government revenue source for the City, and is used to finance general government and capital improvements. In addition, there is a .5 percent Transportation Sales Tax, which is used solely to finance transportation improvements, such as streets, a .5 percent Public Safety Sales Tax, which is used solely to finance Public Safety operations and a .5 percent Park Sales Tax, which is used solely to finance park improvements.

Summary of Available Net Assets

Fund	Total Estimated Available Net Assets 10/01/24	Projected Revenues	Budgeted Expenditures	Operating Transfer In(Out)	Total Estimated Available Net Assets 9/30/25
General Fund	$ 19,282,301	$ 31,324,848	$ 33,179,596	$ 1,854,747	$ 19,282,300
G.O. Bond Debt Service	$ 3,148,801	$ 2,183,605	$ 1,732,648	$ -	$ 3,599,759
Capital Projects	$ 4,750,216	$ 5,203,936	$ 5,768,650	$ 453,354	$ 4,638,856
TIF Capital Projects	$ 7,051,645	$ 6,936,973	$ 6,905,602	$ (30,129)	$ 7,052,889
Fieldhouse/Aquatics	$ (2,700,971)	$ 2,718,221	$ 2,693,289	$ 175,846	$ (2,500,193)
Park Sales Tax	$ 18,756,248	$ 6,012,322	$ 7,430,194	$ -	$ 17,338,376
Golf Course	$ 587,861	$ 2,334,660	$ 2,384,660	$ 50,000	$ 587,860
Water Utility	$ 17,672,675	$ 12,335,571	$ 13,474,983	$ (829,833)	$ 15,703,429
Sewer Utility	$ 20,613,836	$ 13,270,525	$ 16,601,337	$ (1,477,313)	$ 15,805,711
Hotel/Motel Tax	$ 1,688,767	$ 779,051	$ 380,000	$ (196,672)	$ 1,891,147
Public Safety Sales Tax	$ 7,350,461	$ 5,466,967	$ 5,444,574	$ -	$ 7,372,853
Totals	**$ 98,201,839**	**$ 88,566,678**	**$ 95,995,532**	**$ -**	**$ 90,772,988**

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Tax Rates (As of November 1, 2024)		
Property Tax per $100 assessed valuation:		
City of Blue Springs	$	0.5862
Central Jackson County Fire	$	1.1847
Board of Disabled Services	$	0.0716
Metropolitan Community College	$	0.1780
Mid-Continent Library	$	0.2911
Mental Health	$	0.0953
R-4 School District	$	5.0635
Jackson County	$	0.5116
Blind Pension	$	0.0300
Total	**$**	**8.0120**

Sales Taxes per $1.00 in sales:		
City 1% Sales Tax	$	0.01000
City 1/2% Transportation Sales Tax	$	0.00500
City 1/2% Public Safety Sales Tax	$	0.00500
City 1/2% Parks Sale Tax	$	0.00500
Kansas City Zoo Tax	$	0.00125
State	$	0.03000
County	$	0.00500
Central Jackson County Fire	$	0.00500
Stadium Sales Tax	$	0.00375
State (Proposition C)	$	0.01000
Conservation	$	0.00125
Soil Conservation	$	0.00100
Drug Task Force	$	0.00250
Children's Services Fund	$	0.00250
Total	**$**	**0.08725**

Expenditures

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Sewer Utility	$	6,253,455
Hotel / Motel	$	380,000
Total	**$**	**55,506,364**

Operating Expenditures by Category		
Personal Services	$	29,117,037
Supplies and Materials	$	3,491,670
Contracted Services	$	22,897,657
Total	**$**	**55,506,364**

Capital Improvement Expenditures		
Parks	$	5,220,000
Public Safety	$	85,000
Streets	$	5,768,650
Sanitary Sewer	$	3,287,973
Sni-A-Bar	$	4,000,000
Water System	$	2,591,757
Capital Outlay	$	2,138,700
Total	**$**	**23,092,080**

Debt Service Expenditures		
General Obligation Debt	$	1,732,648
Park Sales Tax Debt	$	2,210,194
Golf Course Debt	$	341,250
Public Safety Sales Tax Debt	$	1,372,313
TIF Capital Projects	$	6,293,376
Grain Valley / Tri-County	$	2,600,000
Sewer	$	2,847,309
Total	**$**	**17,397,089**

Total Budgeted Expenditures	**$**	**95,995,532**