

City of Concord

Fiscal Year 2021

Budget in Brief





BUDGET IN BRIEF



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As stewards of taxpayer dollars, the City of Concord hopes you will find this document helpful. This Budget in Brief is intended to provide an overview of the City's proposed budget.

This budget represents a carefully considered response to the global and unprecedented economic situation caused by COVID-19. While its full impact will not be known for some time, we are continuing to look ahead and plan for the future.

City of Concord budget details are available online at <u>concordnh.gov</u>.



TOTAL BUDGET OVERVIEW

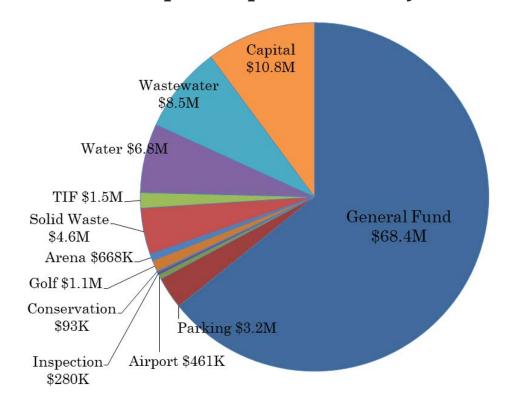
The proposed FY21 budget has a 0% increase on the tax rate.

FY20 Adopted Budget*: \$109.2 million

FY21 Proposed Budget*: \$106.5 million

\$2.7 million year to year decrease

*Includes CIP (Capital Improvement Projects)

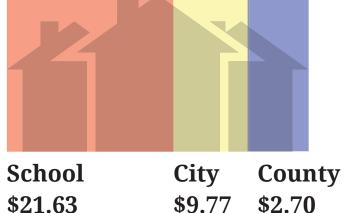


Property Tax Rates



CONCORD: \$27.78





PENACOOK: \$34.10

What Do City Taxes Pay For?



31% Fire 30% Police

22%

17%

General

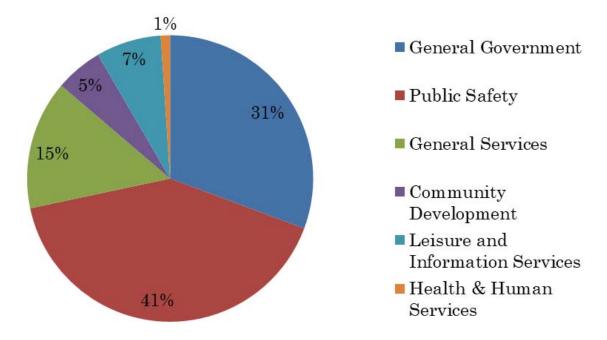
Debt

Services Service

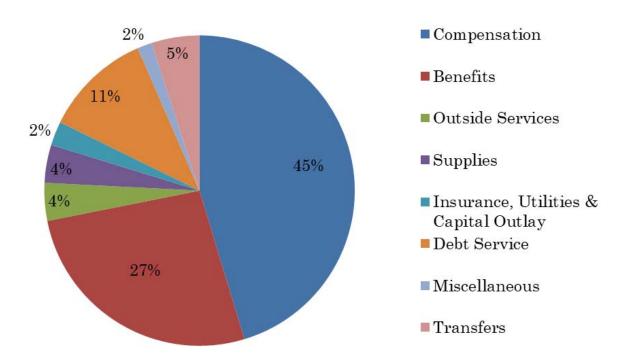
GENERAL FUND OVERVIEW

\$68.4 MILLION

General Fund Expenses By Function



General Fund Expenses By Category



BUDGET TO BUDGET GENERAL FUND COMPARISON

FISCAL YEAR 2020 TO FISCAL YEAR 2021

Notable Budget Increases:



WAGES: \$610K



BENEFITS: \$385K



DEBT SERVICE: \$390K



USE OF UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE: \$1.5 million

Notable items in the FY 21 budget:



NEW FIRE ENGINE: \$695K



FOUR NEW POLICE CRUISERS: \$130K



NO PAY AS YOU THROW BAG INCREASE



NO WATER RATE INCREASE (0%)



8.25% WASTEWATER RATE INCREASE



LEVEL FUNDING FOR SOCIAL SERVICES

NEW DEBT SERVICE

Principal and interest payments on bonds issued by the City to fund Capital Projects.

FY21 Increase \$390K



PUBLIC SAFETY: \$186K



STORMWATER
IMPROVEMENTS:
\$70K



GOLF COURSE GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT: \$45K



GENERAL VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT: \$88K

NEIGHBORHOOD STREET PAVING PROGRAM

The City of Concord invested \$4 million in paving in FY20:

- \$2.1 million (CIP 78)
- \$1.0M (Supplemental, July 2019)
- \$749K (Supplemental, March 2020)
- \$187K (Supplemental, pending, May 2020)

FY21: \$2.2 million

(\$162,000 Increase in Paving CIP)

Annual Transfer from the General Fund to the Highway Reserve:

• FY20: \$1.2 million

• FY21: \$1.3 million

\$113K Increase in Transfer to Highway Reserve

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



Washington St. Bridge: \$848K



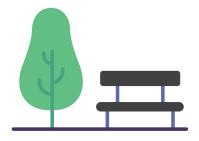
Parking meters: \$850K



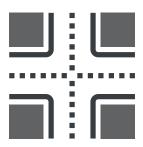
Water main replacement: \$798K



Sewer pump station: \$631K



Penacook riverfront park: \$1.4 million



North Main/Storrs St. intersection: \$371K



General
Services vehicle
replacement:
\$1.0 million



City-wide recreational facility improvements: \$860K



Storrs St. North: \$9.3 million

SAFEGUARDING OUR CITY ORGANIZATION FROM COVID-19



City following CDC & State of NH Public Health Guidelines



Use of personal protection equipment; enhanced sanitization; remote/staggered staffing



Safety-oriented business protocols; retrofitting of public spaces in City buildings



Increased monitoring of City revenues and expenses

SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

FISCAL YEAR 2021



Solar array at the Wastewater Treatment Plant



2,090 new LED street lights



Sustainability fellow



Water & wastewater energy efficiency

CONCORD AT A GLANCE



80+ miles of trails



56K calls for service/responses for Police & Fire (2019)



220 miles of roads



300K circulation items from Concord libraries (2019)



230+ acres of parks



2019 PLAN NH Merit
Awards, Excellence
for Planning, Design,
and/or Development:
City Wide Community
Center & Downtown
Complete Streets
Project



9th "Best State Capital to Live In," WalletHub (2020)



LOOKING FORWARD

In Fiscal Year 2021, the City of Concord will continue to strive for excellence by providing outstanding customer service; ensuring that our residents, visitors, and staff are safe; and executing a robust capital improvement program with a goal of maximizing our community's quality of life.

Concurrently, Concord will be reinventing the delivery of City services in response to this pandemic and any potential future pandemics. In conjunction with the Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee and City Council, we will also be developing solutions to the economic crisis as it develops or abates.