

# Fiscal 2024 Yearend Summary

## Yearend Closeout Actions

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# Fiscal 2024: Yearend Results (Preliminary & Unaudited)

**Yearend Position-Preliminary: \$58.3 Million Surplus**

**Yearend Position-Pre-Audited Final: \$46.0 Million Surplus**

## Key Takeaways

- Strength from General Fund revenue is absorbing the overall expenditure deficit.
- The expenditure deficit is primarily driven by:
  - Service levels exceeding the budgeted amount
  - Purchasing activity crossing multiple fiscal years
- Changes in final expenditure amounts since last Council briefing due to delayed water bill charges by DPW to City agencies.
- The Bureau of Accounting and Payroll Services is working to finalize the Annual Comprehensive Report. Will be published this spring.

## Revenue

**\$77.0M  
SURPLUS**

**+3.5%  
Variance**

## Expenditures

**\$30.9M  
DEFICIT**

**-0.8%  
Variance**



# Fiscal 2024

# General Fund Revenue Overview



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# Fiscal 2024: Revenue Summary

## Changes from 3rd Quarter

- Overall revenue surplus is **\$32 million higher** than projected at the 3rd Quarter.

## Property Tax

- Revenues came in higher than previously projected driven by improvements in the collection rates.

## Income Tax

- Final disbursements higher than previously projected based on final State reconciliation.

## Highway User Revenue & Investment Earnings

- Projections for Highway User Revenue consistent with previous projections. Higher allocation driven by corporate income tax & titling tax.
- Investment Earnings up based on national interest rates and the City's cash on hand balance.

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**\$77.0M**

**SURPLUS**



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# Revenue Highlights

FY 2024 General Fund Revenue: Breakout by Category  
(In Millions)

REVENUES	FY 2024 Budget	FY 2024 Yearend	Surplus/ (Deficit)
Local Taxes	\$1,717.9	\$1,777.4	\$59.5
State Collected Taxes	\$193.4	\$203.0	\$9.6
Licenses and Permits	\$28.1	\$36.1	\$8.0
Fines and Forfeits	\$33.1	\$30.7	(\$2.4)
Use of Money and Property	\$45.7	\$75.0	\$29.3
State Aid	\$117.7	\$114.4	(\$3.2)
Private and Federal Grants	\$0.0	\$0.1	\$0.1
Charges for Current Services	\$43.4	\$47.5	\$4.1
Other Revenues	\$6.2	\$6.2	\$0.0
<b>Total Revenues Before Transfers</b>	<b>\$2,185.5</b>	<b>\$2,290.5</b>	<b>\$104.9</b>
Net Transfers	\$2.9	\$4.3	\$1.4
Prior Year Fund Balance	\$29.4	\$0.0	(\$29.4)
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$2,217.8</b>	<b>\$2,294.8</b>	<b>\$77.0</b>

Note: Highway User Revenues (under State Collected Taxes) are anticipated to bring in an additional \$9.6 million which will either be used for operating expenses related to transportation or capital projects for transportation.



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# Revenue Highlights

## FY 2024 General Fund Revenue: Local Taxes by Category

(In Millions)

REVENUES	FY 2024 Budget	FY 2024 Yearend	Surplus/ (Deficit)
<b>Local Taxes</b>			
Property Taxes	\$1,080.8	\$1,095.0	\$14.2
Income Taxes	\$447.5	\$475.3	\$27.7
Recordation & Transfer Taxes	\$96.9	\$99.3	\$2.4
Energy Tax	\$49.8	\$49.7	(\$0.1)
Telecommunication Tax	\$34.9	\$33.6	(\$1.4)
Net Hotel Tax	\$30.4	\$31.8	\$1.4
Video Lottery Terminal	\$12.6	\$12.6	\$0.0
Admission Tax	\$8.5	\$11.8	\$3.3
All Other Local Taxes & Tax Credits	(\$43.6)	(\$31.6)	\$12.0
<b>Total Local Taxes</b>	<b>\$1,717.9</b>	<b>\$1,777.4</b>	<b>\$59.5</b>

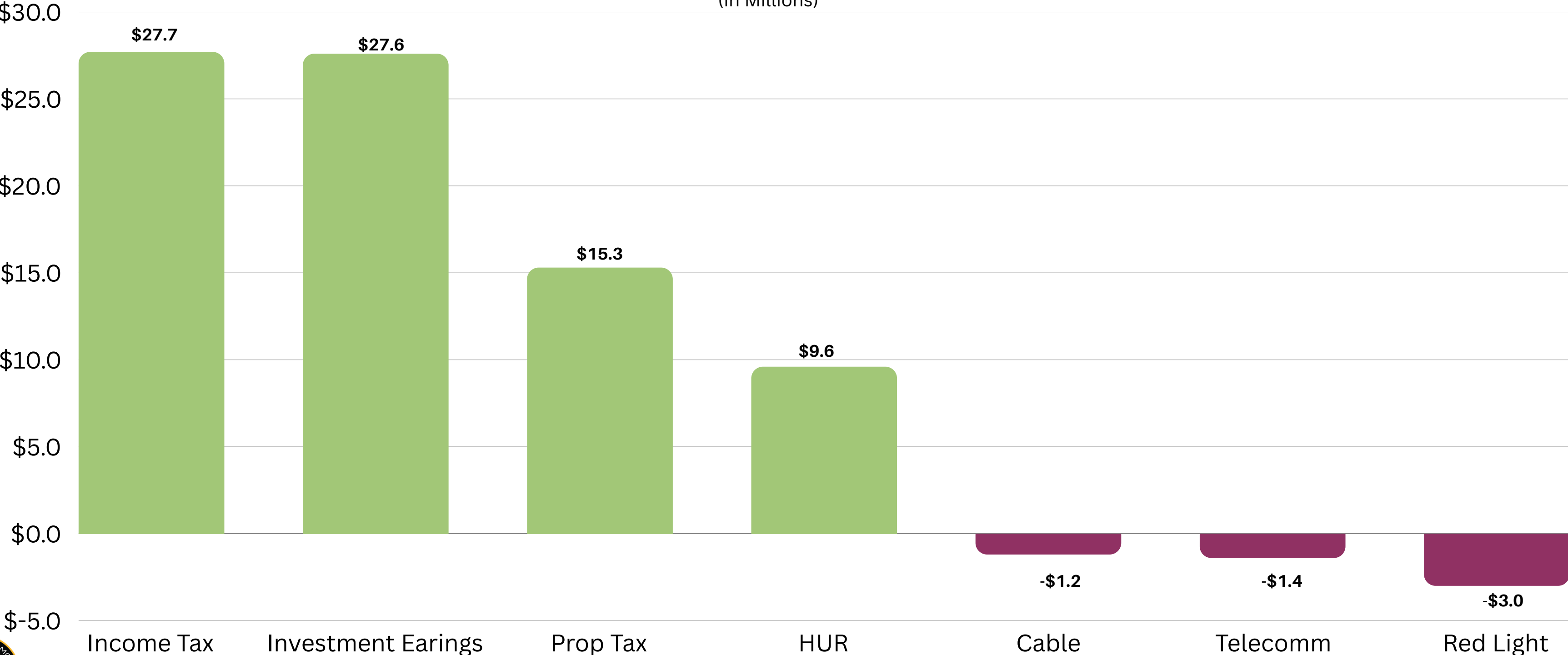


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# Revenues: Major Variances

Fiscal 2024 General Fund Revenue: Variation by Revenue Source

(in Millions)



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# General Fund Expenditure Overview



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# Fiscal 2024: Expenditure Summary

## **Debt Service**

- Actual debt service payments came in lower than projected due to refunding against prior issuances and delayed debt service payments for surplus schools.

## **DPW-Water Charges**

- During closeout, DPW identified \$12.2 million of unreconciled water charges that needed to be billed to City agencies. This represented costs from multiple fiscal years.

## **Agency Spending**

- Agency spending during the 4th Quarter was lower than anticipated in 3rd Quarter projections.

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**\$30.0M**

**DEFICIT**



# Fiscal 2024 Vacancy Trends

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**-10%**

**DECLINE IN OVERALL VACANCIES**

Sworn

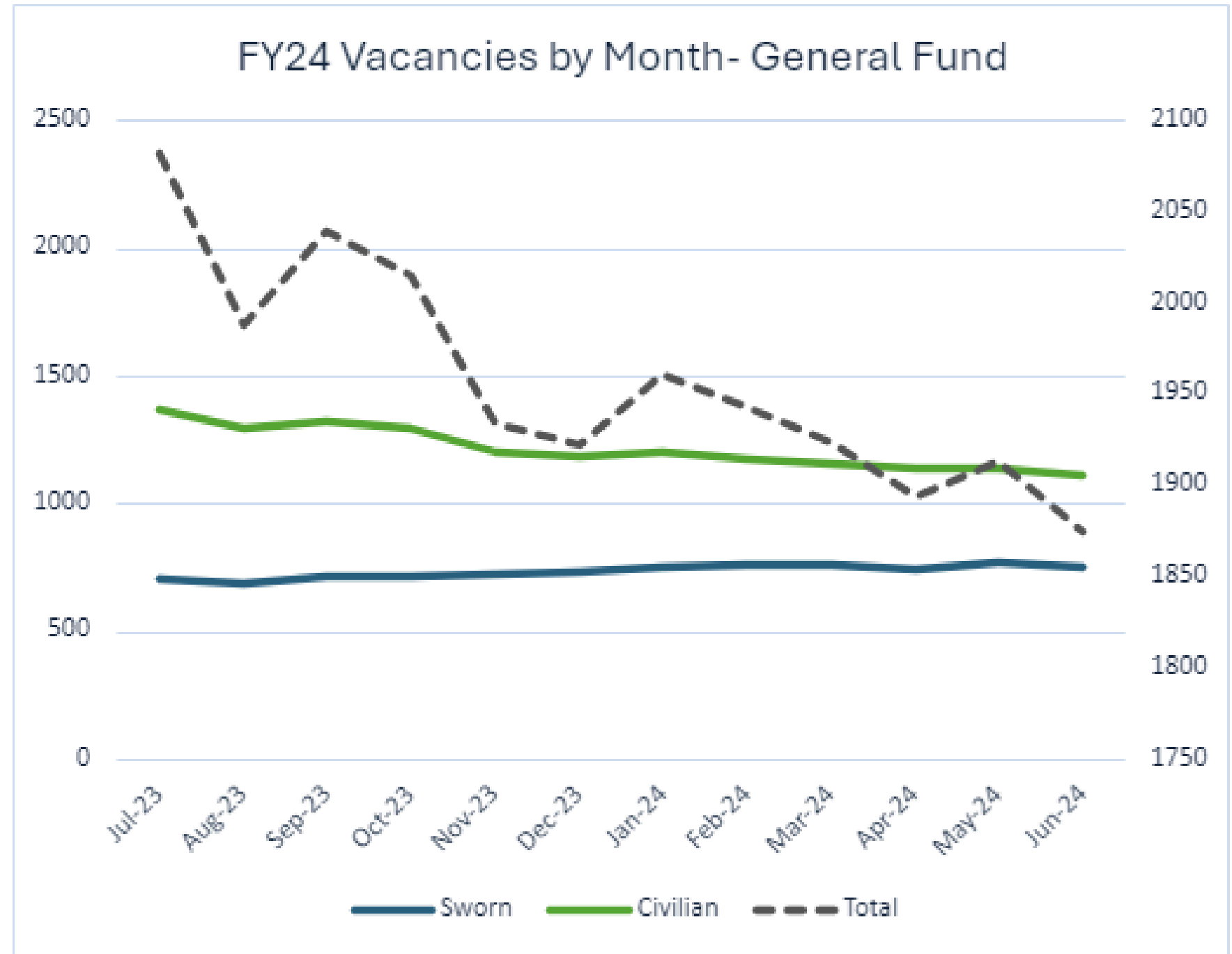
**+7.3%**

increase  
in FY24

Civilian

**-18.9%**

decrease  
in FY24



# Fiscal 2024

# Closeout Legislative Actions



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# Supplemental Budget Actions

Supplemental	Fiscal Year	Total Amount	Action Description
<b>A</b> Deficit Agencies	Fiscal 2024	\$51.2M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A supplemental appropriation has been submitted to the Board of Estimates to appropriate surplus revenue and transfer funding to bring all agencies into balance.</li> <li>Supplemental will require Council action following Board approval.</li> </ul>
<b>B</b> Fiscal 2025 Fund Balance	Fiscal 2025	\$53.8M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for procurement activities that cross fiscal years and unfunded priority items identified after passage of the Fiscal 2025 budget.</li> <li>All items one-time items; no recurring funding.</li> <li>Funded through unrestricted General Fund balance.</li> </ul>

### Deficit Agencies Supplemental: Funding Sources

- Surplus Revenue (Income Tax & Investment Earnings)
  - Total Amount=\$51.3 Million
- Fund Balance
  - Total Amount=\$5.3 Million
  - Used as funding source for Health; deficit driven by final COVID costs that will be reimbursed by FEMA
- Transfers
  - Total Amount=\$11.3 Million
  - Surpluses transferred from Debt Service (surplus from refinancing existing debt) and the Dept. of General Services (surplus from various project budgets).



# Yearend Supplementals

Agency	Deficit	Supplemental Funding Source	Notes
Board of Elections	(1.4)	Income Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearend spending \$560k higher than projected at 3rd Quarter.</li> <li>Deficit driven higher election staffing costs, expanding early voting, and unbudgeted purchasing activity.</li> </ul>
Finance	(4.2)	Transfer; Surplus Debt Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearend spending \$3.8m lower than projected at 3rd Quarter.</li> <li>Deficit driven by unbudgeted contractual support for Payroll and Finance Project Management &amp; prior year purchasing activity.</li> </ul>
Fire	(33.4)	Investment Earnings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearend deficit consistent with 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>Sworn overtime exceeding savings from vacant positions.</li> <li>Utilizing unbudgeted EMS contract for BLS calls.</li> </ul>
Health	(5.3)	Fund Balance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearend deficit consistent with 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>Deficit driven by late vendor billing for COVID-19 costs and clinical services.</li> </ul>
Law	(1.5)	Transfer; Dept of General Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearend deficit consistent with 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>Deficit driven by staffing costs exceeding budgeted amount due to reclassifications.</li> </ul>



# Yearend Supplementals

Agency	Projected Deficit (\$M)	Supplemental Funding Source	Notes
Liquor License Board	(0.3)	Income Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend deficit consistent with 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Deficit driven by unbudgeted moving costs incurred during FY24.</li> </ul>
Police	(3.1)	Income Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend spending \$8.2 million lower than 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Eligible overtime costs transferred to grants following 3rd Quarter. Final deficit driven by leave payout costs for positions.</li> </ul>
Public Works	(5.6)	Income Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend deficit \$1.3 million higher than 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Deficit driven by equipment costs &amp; overtime.</li> </ul>
Recreation and Parks	(3.7)	Income Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend spending \$1.3 lower than 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Deficit reduced by reallocating costs to eligible grants.</li> <li>• Remaining deficit driven by overtime costs and contractual services for Urban Forestry.</li> </ul>
Sheriff	(4.5)	Transfer; Surplus Debt Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend deficit \$2.0m higher than 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Deficit driven by staff overtime costs &amp; unbudgeted purchasing activity.</li> </ul>
Transportation	(0.6)	Transfer; Surplus Debt Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yearend spending \$3.3 million lower than 3rd Quarter projections.</li> <li>• Deficit driven by snow costs &amp; lower than budgeted capital chargebacks.</li> </ul>

# Discussion and Questions

