



Town Hall Meeting

March 31, 2018

Introductions



We began discussing the need for future funding for the General Fund with the Budget Committee in late 2015, knowing that we needed to look at options for the future.

The Budget Committee worked through multiple funding options including:

- Parking Meters
- Endowments
- Food and Beverage Tax
- Levy
- Surcharge

On February 6, 2017, they voted to continue looking only at a Levy or Surcharge for Police services.

On December 14, 2017, they recommended that Council consider the implementation of a surcharge of \$20 per month for Police services.

Timeline of Budget Committee Meetings Discussing Future Funding

February 4, 2016	Budget Committee Work Session
March 17, 2016	Budget Committee Work Session
March 19, 2016	Town Hall Meeting
September 8, 2016	Budget Committee Work Session
October 13, 2016	Budget Committee Work Session
February 6, 2017	Budget Committee Meeting
March 9, 2017	Budget Committee Meeting
April 20, 2017	Budget Committee Meeting
December 14, 2017	Budget Committee Meeting
March 31, 2018	Town Hall Meeting



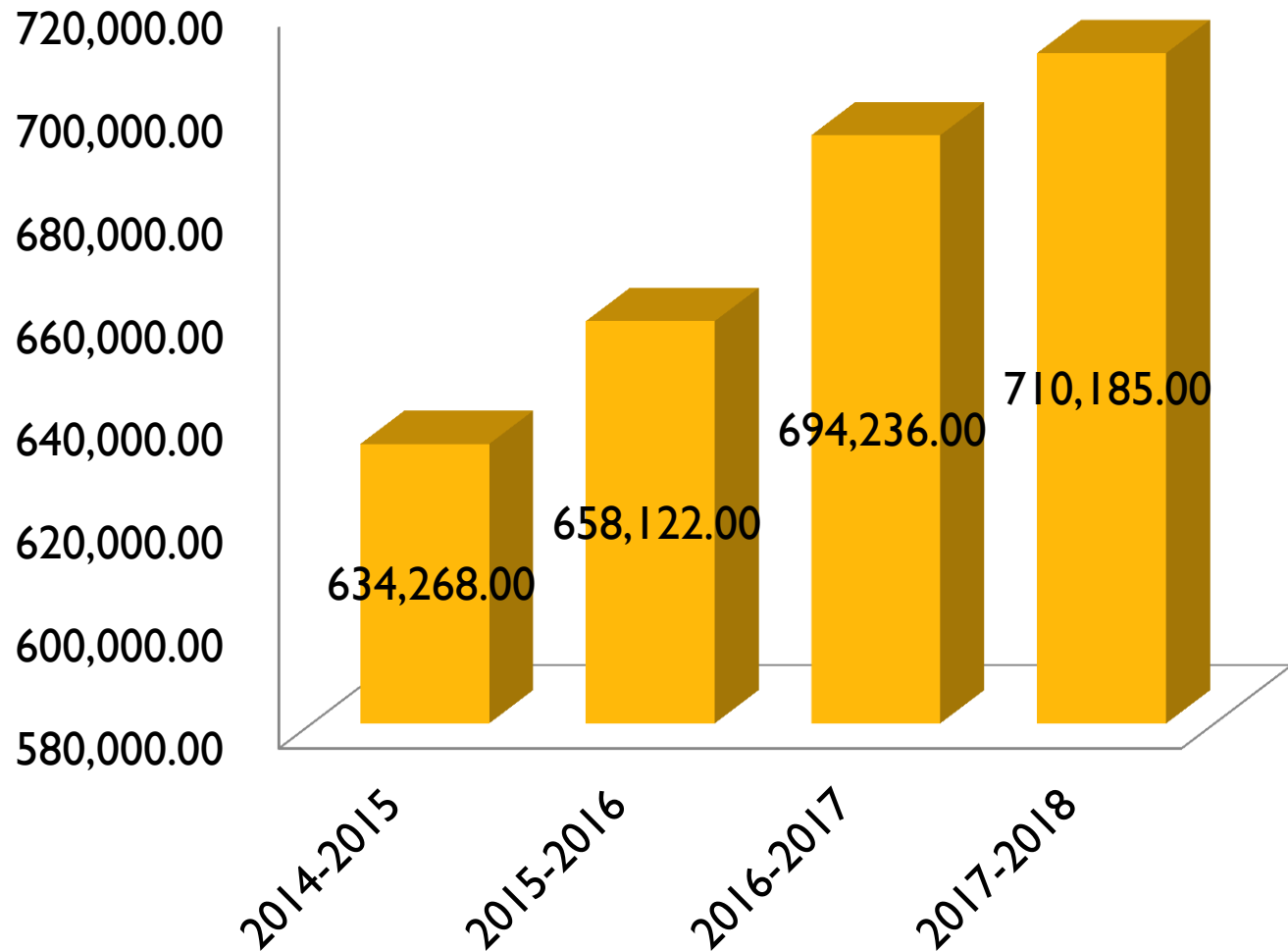
Budget 101

The General Fund consists of the Administration, Planning and Police Departments and the biggest source of revenue in the General Fund is Property Tax Revenue.

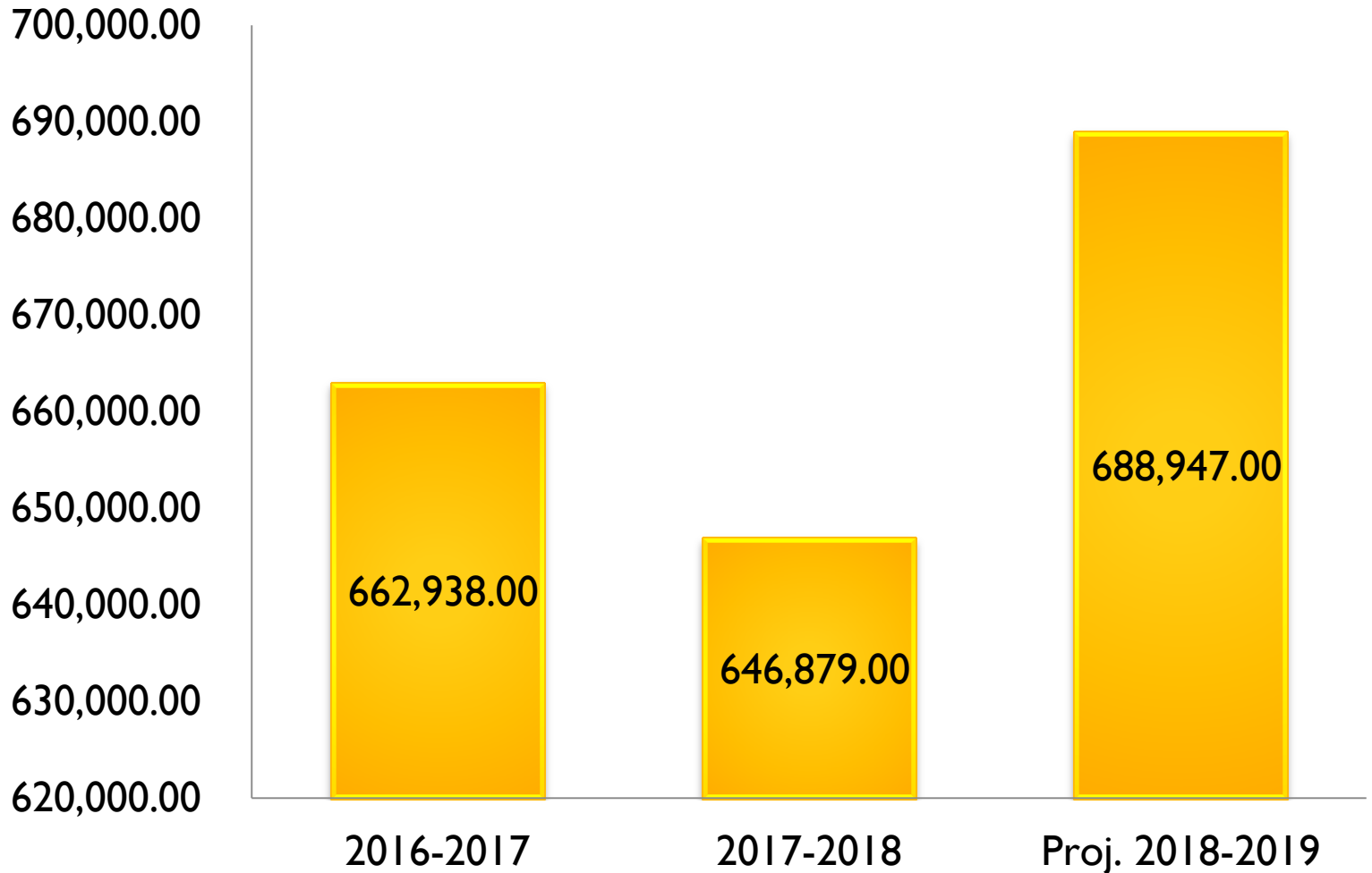
Permanent Tax Rate by City

Butte Falls	7.2494
Medford	5.2434
Ashland	4.2422
Central Point	4.2084
Phoenix	3.3699
Rogue River	3.1492
Talent	2.6771
Eagle Point	2.4584
Jacksonville	1.8417
Shady Cove	0.5474

General Fund Property Tax Revenue by Fiscal Year



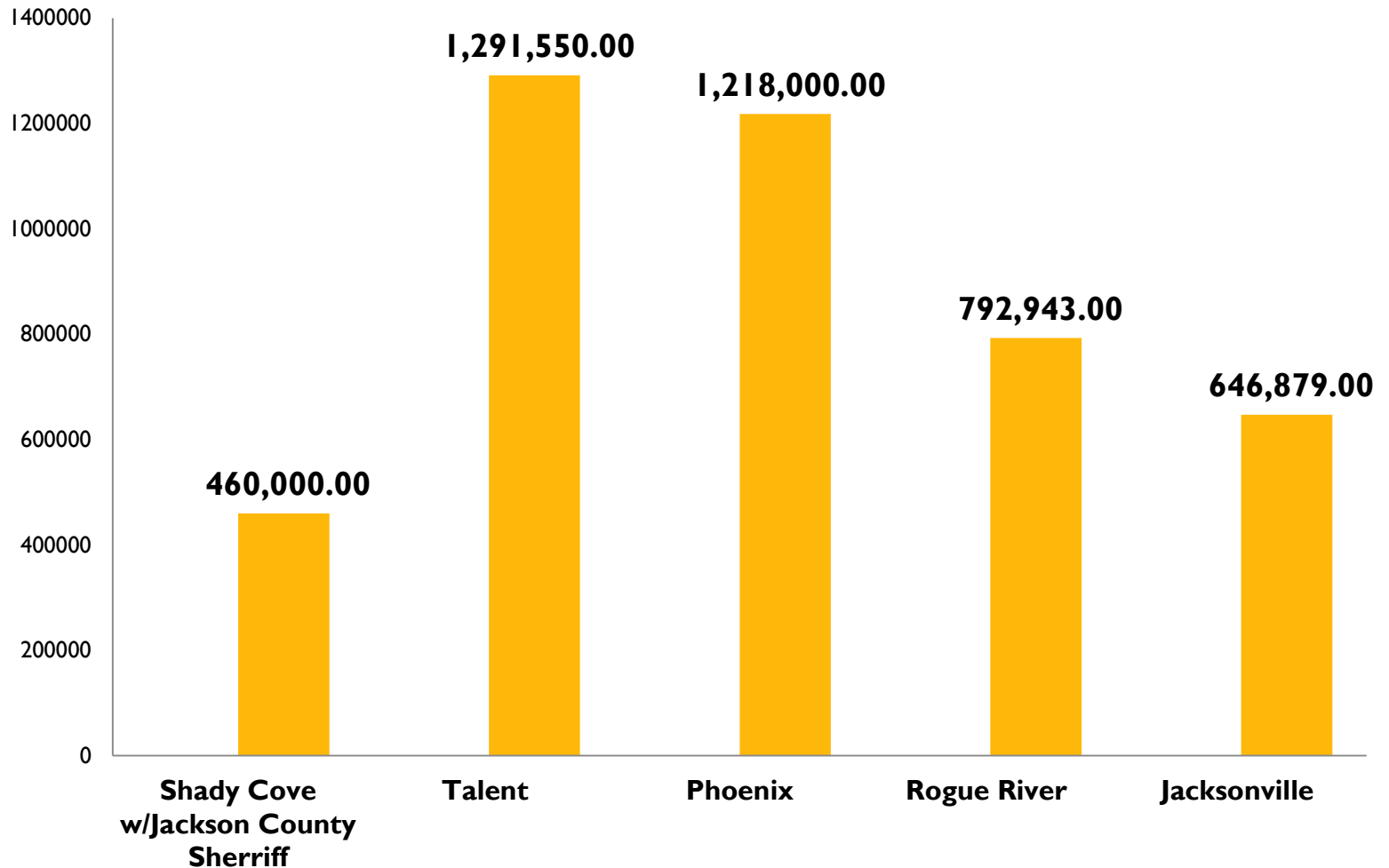
Police Department Expenses by Fiscal Year



Police Department Comparables

- Shady Cove – Contract w/ Sherriff
3 officers – staggered shifts
- Talent – 8 officers and 1.5 records clerk
- Phoenix – 10 officers and a clerk
- Rogue River – 5 officers and a clerk
- Jacksonville – 5 officers and a clerk

Police Department Comparables



Police Protection Fund

A Police Protection Fund will be established within the City budget. **All revenues and expenditures for the Police Department will be in the Police Protection Fund.**

This means the City can use the money only for Police services.

Police Protection Fund

A revenue source of \$400,000 has been recommended for the Police Protection Fund with the remainder from the General Fund.

The surcharge at \$20 per month would generate \$400,000 and it will be recommended to Council that it would be **capped** at \$20 per month for a minimum of 5 years.

Police Protection Fund

\$400,000 revenue from a surcharge or levy would break down to the following costs per household:

	\$ per 1000 based on \$300,000 home	per year
Levy	\$1.00	\$300.00
	per month	per year
Surcharge	\$20.00	\$240.00

Surcharge

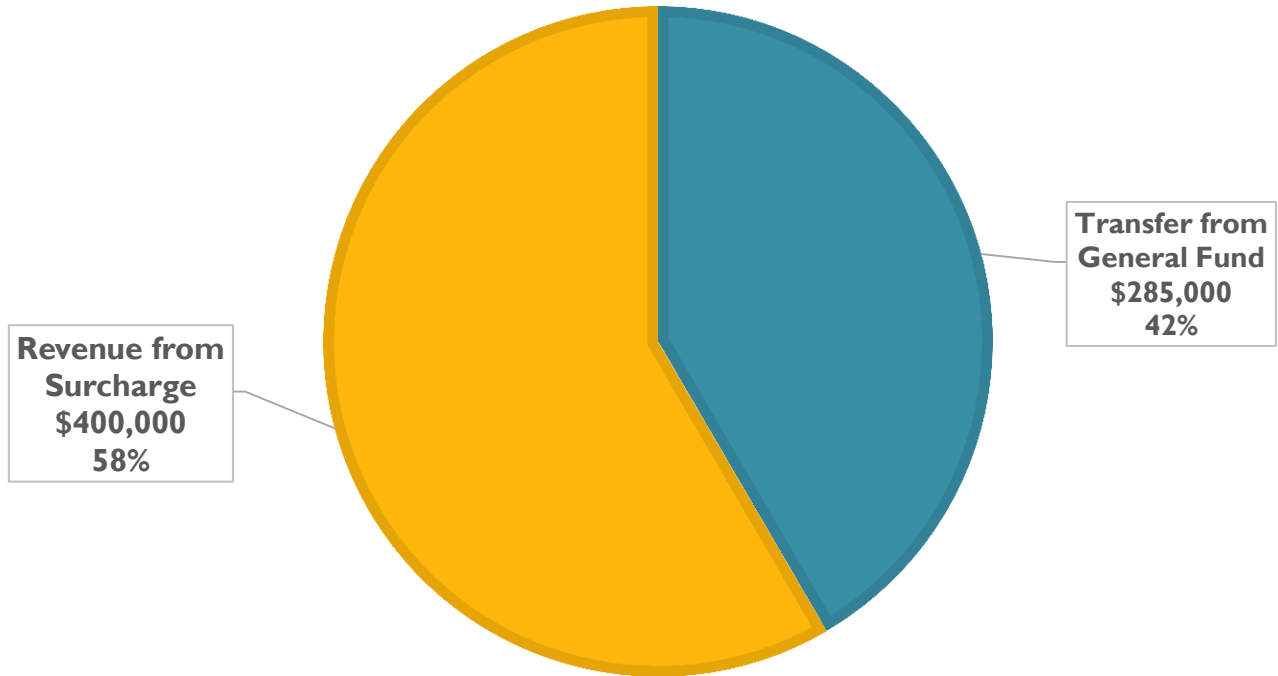
The Budget Committee recommended the surcharge because:

- It fairly apportions the cost of police service over the entire community that receives the service, without regard to status of owner, renter or other
- It is relatively easy and economical to collect, not relying on bi-annual County tax collections and costs
- It is relatively steady cash flow from utility billings
- Hardship relief available easily compared to property tax collection.

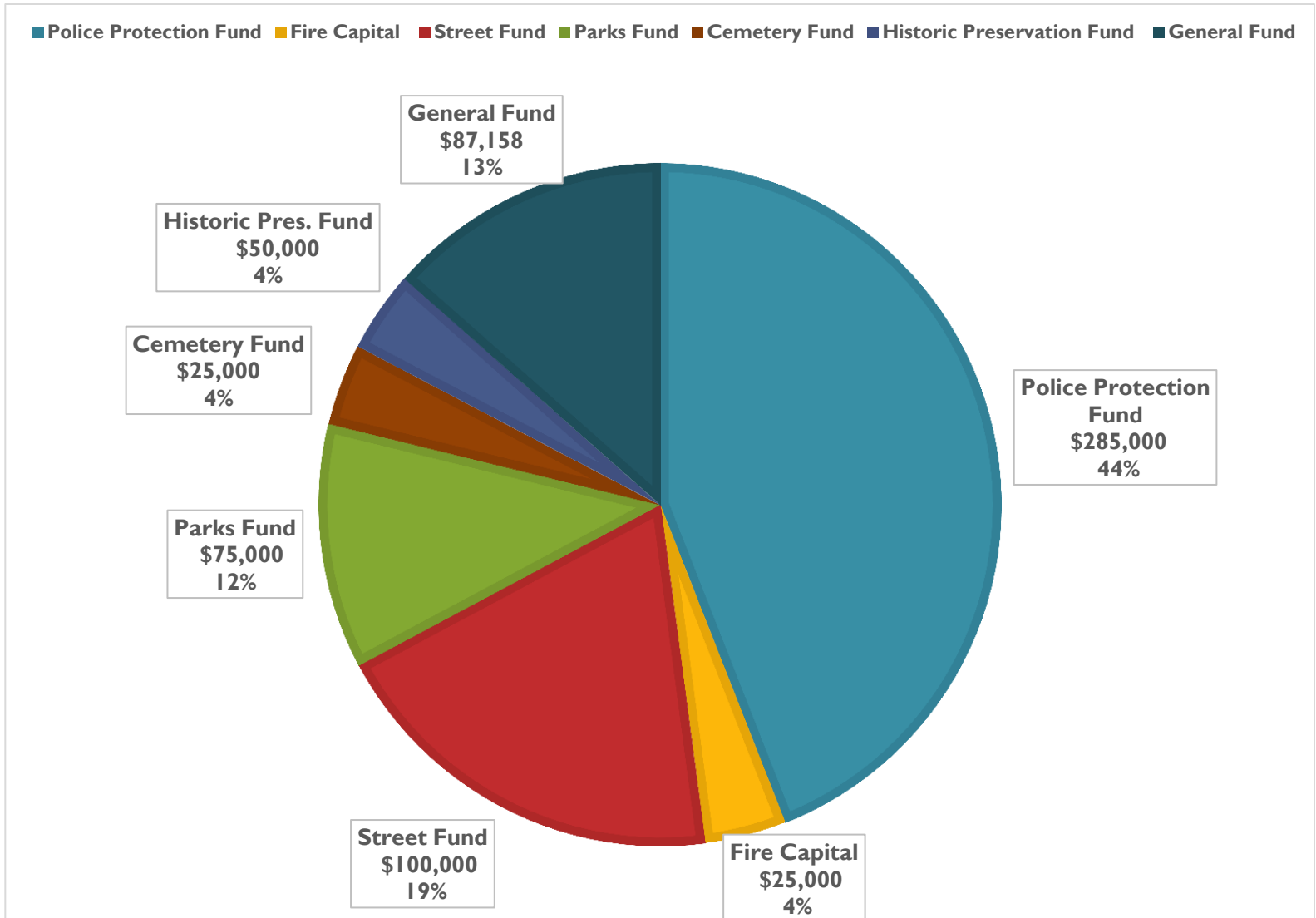
Police Protection Fund

RESOURCES FOR POLICE PROTECTION FUND

■ Transfer from General Fund ■ Revenue from Surcharge



Police Protection Fund



Surcharge Relief Program

A relief program will be put in place for the Police Surcharge, providing relief for individuals and families living at or below the federal poverty guidelines.

Surcharge Relief Program

Estimations based on the Fire Protection Surcharge Relief Program are as follows:

\$25,000 +	\$20.00 per month
\$24,000-24,999	\$18.00 per month
\$23,000-23,999	\$16.20 per month
\$22,000-22,999	\$14.40 per month
\$21,000-21,999	\$13.00 per month
\$20,000-20,999	\$11.80 per month
\$19,999 and below	\$ 0

Process

City Council will be discussing the surcharge as recommended by the Budget Committee.

If City Council approves a Surcharge, an Ordinance will come back before Council for approval.

Public Comment

Please state your name and address for the record.

Speaking time limit is 3 minutes including reading a written statement.

Thank you.