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## AGENDA REPORT

**TO:** Honorable City Council

**FROM:** Claudia Cappio

**SUBJECT:** FY 2015-17 Proposed Policy  
Budget

**DATE:** April 30, 2015

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** City-Wide

### RECOMMENDATION

Presentation of the Proposed Policy Budget for FY 2015-17 from the Mayor and the City Administrator.

### OUTCOME

The outcome of this presentation is that it provides an opportunity for public discussion and deliberation on the FY 2015-17 Proposed Policy Budget.

### BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Administration published the FY 2015-17 Proposed Policy Budget on April 30, 2015. Per City Charter Section 801, the City Council shall adopt a budget by June 30 to authorize expenditures for the following fiscal year. Otherwise, the appropriations for current operations of the last fiscal year shall be deemed effective until the new budget and appropriation measures are adopted.

### ANALYSIS

Important elements of the proposed budget include:

- Funding five police academy over the next two fiscal years, bringing the sworn staffing to an estimated 762 officers based on current graduation and attrition rates.
- The budget includes \$7 million in FY2015-16 and \$9 million in FY 2016-17 of GPF for increases in employee compensation. The exact use of these funds will be subject to collective bargaining.

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- \$20 million towards our unfunded liabilities during this two-year budget cycle, including \$17.4 million into the OPEB Trust (namely medical coverage for retirees) and \$2.63 million towards CalPERS unfunded pension obligation.
- New positions are added to ensure police reforms are successful and sustained, including two additional auditors in the Office of the Inspector General, a permanent civilian director of Internal Affairs, an attorney who'll be placed within the Police Department to support the development and defense of any discipline actions, and an upgrade to Deputy Chief of Criminal Investigations to increase the quality and consistency of Skelly discipline hearings.
- An increase to code compliance inspectors to enforce against blight, abandoned buildings and illegal vending. By unfreezing 3 inspectors and 2 support positions, the City will be more responsive to complaints going forward.
- The creation of a Transportation Department by reorganizing existing staff and resources from several departments. The new department will work with the community to improve pedestrian safety, conditions for transit riders, access for disabled people and safety for bicyclists and drivers.
- The restoration of twelve positions in Planning & Building to respond to the increased demand and workload for building application review and processing, including major projects.

A complete summary of the proposed FY 2015-17 Policy Budget is provided through the Letter of Transmittal. A budget fact sheet will be prepared in the coming days and will be available on the City's website: [www.oaklandnet.com](http://www.oaklandnet.com).

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

Prior to developing the Proposed Budget, City staff collaborated with the Budget Advisory Committee to conduct a professional, scientific poll measuring a representative sampling of more than 700 Oaklanders' budget priorities. During budget development, two short, simple videos were produced about the budget process. Four public input sessions at community venues were held during the month of April to solicit community input.

The City Council and Administration has planned several opportunities for residents to participate and provide input with respect to the City's budget-balancing efforts. The table below illustrates key milestones. Please check the City's budget website for times and updates at [www.oaklandnet.com/15-17Budget](http://www.oaklandnet.com/15-17Budget).

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April 30 FY2015-17 Proposed Budget published  
May 5 Mayor and City Administrator present the FY 2015-17 Proposed Policy Budget to City Council;  
May 7 Budget Forum Think College Now, 2825 International Blvd., Oakland, CA 94601 (Spanish interpretation/en Español)  
May 11 Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Ave., Oakland, CA 94619  
May 13 Eastmont Town Center, 7200 Bancroft Ave., Oakland, CA 94605 (Spanish interpretation/en Español)  
May 18 St. Paul Episcopal Church, 114 Montecito Ave., Oakland, CA 94610  
May 20 Hotel Oakland, 270 13th St., Oakland, CA 94612 (Cantonese interpretation/會議以中/英文進行)  
May 27 Oakland Zoo Zimmer Auditorium, 9777 Golf Links Rd., Oakland, CA 94605  
June 16 Council President's Proposed Budget  
June 30 Budget Adoption  
July 1 Begin implementation of FY 2015-17 Adopted Budget

### **COORDINATION**

The City Administrator's Budget Office and the Controller's Bureau worked with the Revenue Bureau, the Human Resources Management Department, the Office of the City Attorney and all City departments in preparing this budget.

### **COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS**

See the Proposed Policy Budget.

### **SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

*Economic:* See the Proposed Policy Budget.

*Environmental:* See the Proposed Policy Budget.

*Social Equity:* See the Proposed Policy Budget.

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For questions regarding this report, please contact me at 510-238-3671 or kbawa@oaklandnet.com.

Respectfully submitted,



KIRAN BAWA  
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**Attachments:**

- A: Letter of Transmittal
- B: FY 2015-17 Proposed Policy Budget

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