CITY COUNCIL
Budget Workshop

August 1, 2026
8:30 AM
6738 Dixon Street
Milton, FL 32570

1. **Open Meeting**
2. **Persons to Appear**
3. **FY2027 Budget Workshop**

   Item # 2026-4238
   Presentation
4. **Public Input**
5. **Adjournment**

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August 1, 2026

City of Milton

2027 Budget Workshop

Fiscal Year 2027




Presented by

Laura McDill

Finance Director

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Executive Summary

As we enter Fiscal Year 2027, the City of Milton continues to build on a foundation of growth, investment, and fiscal responsibility. New development, infrastructure improvements, and strategic economic development initiatives are creating opportunities throughout our community, while rising costs, aging infrastructure needs, and potential changes in state policy require careful planning. This budget reflects a balanced approach, maintaining essential services, investing in our future, and protecting the City's financial stability during a time of both opportunity and uncertainty. Through disciplined stewardship and a commitment to long-term success, Milton remains well-positioned to meet today's challenges while preparing for tomorrow's growth.

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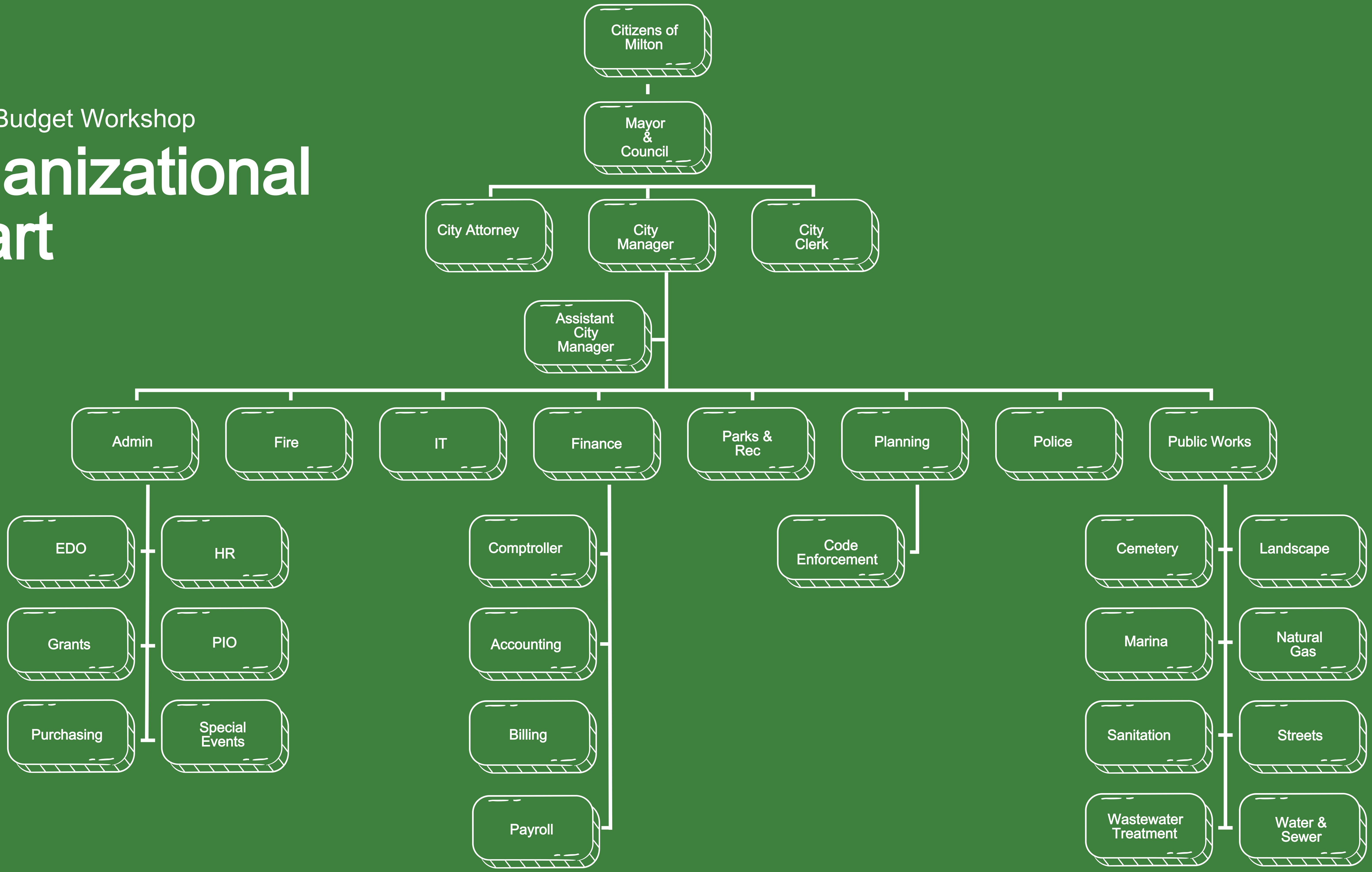
Organizational Chart



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Revenue Forecast

Type	Projected Revenue
Taxes	$5,316,810
Intergovernmental	$14,274,174
Services & Fees	$24,475,831
Transfer & Miscellaneous	$2,926,460
Funds Forward	$24,226,007

// Total Projected Revenue:

$71,219,282

We anticipate progressive growth through increased market share, product upgrades, and services.

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Expense Forecast

Type	Projected Revenue
Personnel	$16,867,265
Operating	$15,638,994
Capital	$36,219,819
Grants & Aid	$127,500
Transfer	$2,052,860
Debt	$312,844

// Total Projected Revenue:

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Capital Improvement (CIP)

// Gas Line Replacement – Gas

$4,450,628
Grant

Replace iron and steel gas lines

E. Milton Clearing & Grubbing - WWTP

$1,491,450

Dedicated reserves

Clearing property for effluent disposal

Effluent Removal System – WWTP

$13,000,000

Dedicated reserves

Downtown Pump Station, pipeline, sprayfields

Sundial Upgrade & Improve – Sundial

$11,000,000

Plant Expansion

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Capital Improvement (CIP)

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Generator Replacements – City -wide

$892,903

Grant with General Fund revenue for match

Replace generators through city facilities

CDBG Broad Street – Roads and Streets

$619,000

Grant with General Fund revenue for match

Street rehabilitation for Broad, Quinn & Okaloosa Streets

Community Center Engineering – Parks and Recreation

$255,567

Grant

Design for Community Center expansion

Whiting Aviation Park – Gas

$100,000

Fund revenue

System expansion

Capital Improvement (CIP)

// Russell Harber Erosion Control – Stormwater

$129,695

Grant with Fund revenue for match

Replace generators through city facilities

Berryhill Well Rebuild – Water Services

$200,000

Fund revenue

Rebuild of well pump

Locklin Lake Engineering – Stormwater

$250,000

Fund revenue

Phase 3 – Inlet Sediment Boxes

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2027 Budget Objectives

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General Fund Breakdown

001 - General Fund

Funds generated from ad-valorum taxes along with state shared revenue taxesgo to support the thirteen departments of the General Fund.

- Legislative / Council
- Admin
- Parks & Rec
- Law Enforcement
- City Clerk
- Non-Departmental
- Planning & Development
- Landscaping
- Fire Department
- Finance
- IT
- Facilities Maintenance
- Roads & Streets

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COUNCIL DEPARTMENT - 511

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 511 Council FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Council Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$156,849	$182,694	$140,872	$207,587
Operating Expenses	$9,765	$17,249	$17,520	$22,100
Grants	$56,050	$35,000	$36,233	$35,000
Grand Total	$222,664	$234,943	$194,625	$264,687

Personal services increased only by health benefits by 2 new enrollments should anyone elect to enroll that had not previously.

Operating expenses increased with trave and training.

Total Increase	$29,744
	12.66%

ADMIN DEPARTMENT - 513

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - 513 Administration Department FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Administration				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$1,545,511	$1,808,825	$1,289,044	$1,297,507
Operating Expenses	$42,060	$62,525	$32,996	$49,650
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
DT Façade Grants (from Econ Dev)	$0	$20,000	$10,000	$20,000
201 Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
301 Capital Projects	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$1,587,571	$1,891,350	$1,332,040	$1,367,157

Decrease in both Peronal and Operating services are due to moving the Budget Director position to Finance and the Public Works positions to their own department.

Total Decrease	($524,193)
	-27.72%

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT - 515

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 515 Planning FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
PLANNING DEPARTMENT				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$497,109	$635,648	$517,621	$661,737
Operating Expenses	$28,679	$43,853	$26,613	$360,630
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Debt Service	$61,074	$73,176	$60,985	$24,650
201 Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
301 Capital Projects	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$586,862	$752,677	$605,219	$1,047,017

FDOT Safe Streets project for $300k is included in the operating expenses. There is a grant of $240k to offset with the City's portion (match) being $60k. Other increases include MGO software and Magistrate expenses.

Total Increase	$294,340
	39.11%

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NON-DEPT DEPARTMENT - 514

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - 514 Non-Departmental FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
NON-DEPARTMENTAL				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Operating Expenses	$980,964	$1,023,826	$836,918	$1,111,045
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Debt Service	$1,375	$1,719	$1,375	$2,000
Grants	$30,000	$22,500	$9,000	$22,500
301-Capital Projects	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$1,012,339	$1,048,045	$847,293	$1,135,545

Increases in Operating expenses include Legal Counsel, Liability, and Bank fees.

(Insurance subject to change as no estimates provided yet to date)

Total Increase	$87,500
	8.35%

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT - 516

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 516 Finance FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
FINANCE DEPARTMENT				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$558,218	$618,744	$527,365	$768,656
Operating Expenses	$145,578	$108,771	$72,566	$108,750
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$703,796	$727,515	$599,931	$877,406

Increase is fully attributed to personal services, especially for the Comptroller position (formerly a position of different classification and within the Administrative department).

Total Increase	$149,891
	20.60%

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POLICE DEPARTMENT - 521

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 521 Law Enforcement FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
LAW ENFORCEMENT				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$2,512,361	$3,067,477	$2,253,380	$3,236,409
Operating Expenses	$229,180	$293,158	$166,063	$305,573
Capital	$89,969	$0	$41,439	$0
301 - Capital	$145,037	$120,000	$50,958	$185,000
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$2,976,547	$3,480,635	$2,511,840	$3,726,982

Increase in personal services include the 8.25% in wages. Increase operating expenses are minimal and due to gas and oil costs.

Total Increase	$246,347
	7.08%

FIRE DEPARTMENT - 522

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 522 Fire Control FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
FIRE CONTROL				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$2,442,315	$2,835,498	$2,231,024	$3,009,549
Operating Expenses	$114,691	$151,558	$104,259	$156,300
Capital Outlay	$21,319	$0	$0	$25,000
Debt Service	$420,988	$0	$0	$100,590
301 Capital Projects	$0	$100,000	$46,592	$0
Grand Total	$2,999,313	$3,087,056	$2,381,875	$3,291,439

Increase in personal services incudes an increase in City retirement contribution rate based on actuarial results. Only slight increase in operating and mainly due to rise in gas and oil prices. The debt service is for rescue vehicle.
Capital is for bay door motor replacements.

Total Increase	$204,383
	6.62%

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IT DEPARTMENT - 523

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 523 Information Technology FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Information Technology Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$259,778	$261,068	$239,807	$310,974
Operating Expenses	$369,541	$434,890	$350,976	$524,610
Capital	$51,349	$25,000	$24,641	$45,000
Grand Total	$680,668	$720,958	$615,424	$880,584

Personal services increase is due to the position that was being split between IT and PD is now solely being attributed to IT (inclusive of wages and benefits). Operating expenses increase is primarily due to software subscriptions.

Total Increase	$159,626
	22.14%

CLERK DEPARTMENT - 524

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 524 City Clerk FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
City Clerk Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$124,953	$143,819	$106,937	$143,434
Operating Expenses	$3,901	$5,639	$2,749	$5,340
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$128,854	$149,458	$109,686	$148,774

No signifcant change

Total Decrease	-$684
	-0.46%

PARKS & RECREATION - 572

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 572 Parks FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
PARKS				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$527,229	$601,530	$417,455	$606,761
Operating Expenses	$317,985	$393,508	$207,887	$382,500
Capital	$304,478	$12,000	$5,313	$10,000
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
301 Capital Projects	$557,670	$2,300,000	$554,989	$1,035,029
Grand Total	$1,707,362	$3,307,038	$1,185,644	$2,034,290

Slight increase in personal services is to be expected. Operating expenses have been reduced with slight reductions throughout. Capital is greatly reduced as Russell Harber landing is expected to be completed this fiscal year. Riverwalk improvements project reduced as some expenses are being incurred, and only remainder will carried into FY27.

Total Decrease	($1,272,748)
	-38.49%

Capital Projects for FY27 include:

$255,567 for Community Center Engineering

$779,462 for Riverwalk Park Improvements

FACILITIES MAINT DEPARTMENT - 519

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 519 Facilities Maintenance FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$104,322	$130,919	$82,766	$133,232
Operating Expenses	$158,488	$160,769	$113,848	$160,769
301 Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$262,810	$291,688	$196,614	$294,001

Increase for personal only, wages and benefits.

Total Increase	$2,313
	0.79%

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - 520

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 520 Public Works FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$0	$0	$0	$319,399
Operating Expenses	$0	$0	$0	$213,500
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$0	$0	$0	$532,899

Public Works was formerly part of the Administrative department.

Total	$532,899

ROAD & STREETS DEPARTMENT - 541

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 541 Road & Street FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
ROAD & STREET DEPARTMENT				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$927,380	$1,011,501	$784,923	$1,057,089
Operating Expenses	$619,079	$705,927	$682,218	$714,727
Capital	$0	$6,000	$5,902	$6,000
Fund 301 - Road & Street Capital Projects	$147,731	$882,950	$95,475	$869,000
Fund 302 - Road & Street Capital Projects	$0	$226,332	$2,213	$226,332
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$1,694,190	$2,832,710	$1,570,731	$2,873,148

Only expected slight increase in pesonal and operating. Not a material amount.

Total Increase	$40,438
	1.43%

LANDSCAPING - 573

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 001 General Fund - Dept 573 Landscaping FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Landscaping Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$920,482	$645,990	$492,600	$722,830
Operating Expenses	$250,769	$257,885	$207,761	$233,245
Capital	$0	$0	$0	$13,000
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
Grand Total	$1,171,251	$903,875	$700,361	$969,075

Increase in personal services as our crew utilized contract personnel previously for one landscaping position. That will now be treated as an onboarded employee with the City to include benefits.

Total Increase	$65,200
	7.21%

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Enterprise Fund Breakdown

402, 403, 404, 407, 408, 409 - Enterprise Funds

Funds / revenue generated from services provided go to support the six departments of Enterprise Funds.

- Natural Gas
- Water and Sewer
- Sanitation
- Stormwater
- Marina
- Sundial

NATURAL GAS - 532

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 402 Gas Fund FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
GAS - UTILITY SERVICE				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
532 - Utility Service				
Personal Services	$828,217	$1,106,477	$687,846	$1,126,336
Operating Expenses	$2,976,909	$4,002,939	$1,844,364	$3,750,249
Capital	$1,129,940	$8,145,000	$1,909,088	$4,800,628
Debt Service	$341,380	$0	$455	$0
Operating Expenses	$44,294	$77,960	$29,719	$0
581 - Transfers	$1,450,000	$420,584	$0	$667,165
590 - Reserve				
Grand Total	$6,770,740	$13,752,960	$4,471,472	$10,344,378

Total Decrease	($3,408,582)
	-24.78%

Slight increase in personal services. Operating expenses reduced due to Billing and Admin Fees based on the Indirect Cost Allocation plan. However, the transfer (overhead percentage), also based on Indirect Cost Allocation, inceased.

Capital Improvement Projects:

- $100k - CNG Upgrade Project
- $100k Whiting Park Project
- $4,450,628 Gas line replacement
- $75k Munson Hwy Gate Station
- $75k Misc. Equipment

WASTEWATER - 535

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 403 Water & Sewer Fund - Dept 535 Wastewater FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Wastewater Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$773,973	$911,938	$472,549	$928,854
Operating Expenses	$2,126,916	$2,407,015	$1,691,447	$3,908,756
Capital	$3,122,302	$213,200	$2,444,429	$14,686,450
Debt Service	$2,050,444	$0	$695,515	$0
Grand Total	$8,073,635	$3,532,153	$5,303,939	$19,524,060

Operating expenses increase due to Professional services, Well maintenance services, and Repairs and Maintenance. Largest increase in operating expenses is due to the Billing and Admin charges as calculated by the Indirect Cost Allocation plan.

Total Increase	$15,991,907
	452.75%

Capital Projects:

- $13M - Effluent Disposal
- $1.491M - Clearing and Grubbing
- $100k - Water well repairs (annual)
- $95k - WWTP repairs (annual)

Majority of department increase is due to the capital projects.

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WATER SERVICES - 536

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 403 Water & Sewer Fund - Dept 536 Water Services FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Water Services Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$1,190,432	$1,537,141	$1,129,219	$1,658,941
Operating Expenses	$1,734,707	$1,864,738	$875,014	$1,854,386
Capital	$1,711,507	$1,205,000	$1,001,483	$1,263,843
Debt Service	$597,782	$0	$1,242	$0
Transfer Out	$3,000,000	$3,436,308	$0	$1,385,695
Reserve/Contingency				
Grand Total	$8,234,428	$8,043,187	$3,006,958	$6,162,865

Decrease is only for Transfer out based on Indirect Cost Allocation Plan.

Total Decrease	-$1,880,322
	-23.38%

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SANITATION - 534

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 404 Sanitation - Dept 534 Sanitation FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 20245through 2026				
Sanitation Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$696,794	$658,456	$519,641	$681,431
Operating Expenses	$1,216,635	$1,175,836	$723,747	$958,569
Capital	$958,750	$0	$958,871	$200,000
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
Transfers	$0	$0	$0	$13,709
Grand Total	$2,872,179	$1,834,292	$2,202,259	$1,853,709

Change in budget from previous year is not a material amount	Total Increase	$19,417
		1.06%

MARINA - 538

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 408 Fund - Dept 538 Marina FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Marina				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Operating Expenses	$16,423	$41,073	$11,400	$41,000
Capital	$0	$250,000	$0	$200,000
Contingency				
Debt Service				
Grand Total	$16,423	$291,073	$11,400	$241,000

Reduction in capital only.

Total Decrease	($50,073)
	-17.20%

Stormwater - 537

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 407 - Stormwater FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
Stormwater Department				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Personal Services	$0	$0	$0	$0
Operating Expenses	$182,480	$229,250	$139,688	$125,100
Capital	$1,057,136	$2,755,426	$354,187	$379,695
Contingency	$0	$0	$0	$0
Debt Service				
Grand Total	$1,239,616	$2,984,676	$493,875	$504,795

Reduction in both operating expenses and capital projects.	Total Decrease	-$2,479,881
		-83.09%

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SUNDIAL - 0539

Notes

CITY OF MILTON 409 - Sundial FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 with comparative amounts for 2025 through 2026				
539 - Sundial Wastewater				
	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Budget	FY2026 YTD	FY2027 Budget
Operating Expenses	$391,312	$461,625	$267,684	$582,020
Capital	$0	$11,051,000	$153,547	$11,025,000
Debt	$217,445	$216,259	$219,257	$210,254
Grand Total	$608,757	$11,728,884	$640,488	$11,817,274

Operating expenses increase due to Assett Management Plan.

Total Increase	$88,390
	0.75%

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Budget Summary & Key Takeaways

// Total Budget

$71,219,282

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// Total Budget

Efficiency, Innovation, and Retention

// Next Steps

1ST Budget Hearing
September 3 rd, 2026

2nd Budget Hearing
September 15 th, 2026

FY2027 Begins
October 1 st, 2026

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Thank You

Thank you for your attention and support in shaping a financially sound 2027.

Let’s build smarter, together.

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