



To the Citizens and Stakeholders of La Mesa:

This “Budget at a Glance” pamphlet is a summary of the City of La Mesa’s 2021-2022 Budget which is the first year of the adopted two-year budget for 2021-2023. The City’s budget is prepared by the City Manager and Finance Department and approved by the City Council. It is a forecast of revenues and expenditures for a two-year period. The adopted budget governs all spending decisions during those years.

The City monitors and controls costs by constantly re-evaluating service delivery methods and potential cost savings measures. Thanks to your vote to approve Proposition L – Vital City Services Measure and increase the local sales tax rate by ¾%, the City is able to continue high service levels. The revenues received from the Proposition L Sales Tax are separately reflected in this budget.

If you have any questions after reviewing this document, please feel free to contact the City Manager’s Office at 619.667.1105. You may also view more in depth financial information on the City website.

Sincerely,

Greg Humora  
City Manager

**Five-Year Community Goals**

- ▶ Safe community
- ▶ Maintain a financially sound and affordable city government
- ▶ Continue to improve high quality municipal services
- ▶ Revitalize neighborhoods and corridors
- ▶ Enhanced recreation and quality of life opportunities
- ▶ Effective and efficient traffic circulation and transportation
- ▶ Safe and affordable homes for all current and future residents
- ▶ Foster community health by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving environmental quality

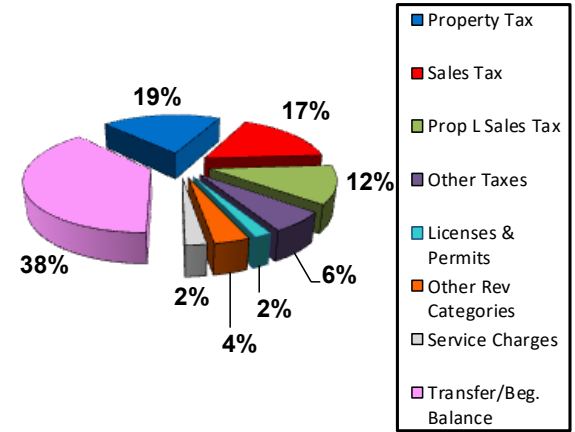
**Sources — General Fund  
(Where the money comes from)**

Description	FY 2021-2022 Budget
Property Tax	\$16,035,110
Sales Tax	14,145,000
Prop. L Sales Tax	9,974,000
Other Taxes	5,206,700
Licenses & Permits	1,580,500
Fines, Foreits & Penalties	376,100
Use of Money & Property	1,365,920
Revenue from Other Agencies	1,258,120
Service Charges	1,869,100
Other Revenue	145,490
<b>Subtotal Sources — General Fund</b>	<b>\$51,956,040</b>
Net Transfers	991,670
<b>Estimated Beginning Balance</b>	<b>31,208,810</b>
<b>Total Sources— General Fund</b>	<b>\$84,156,520</b>

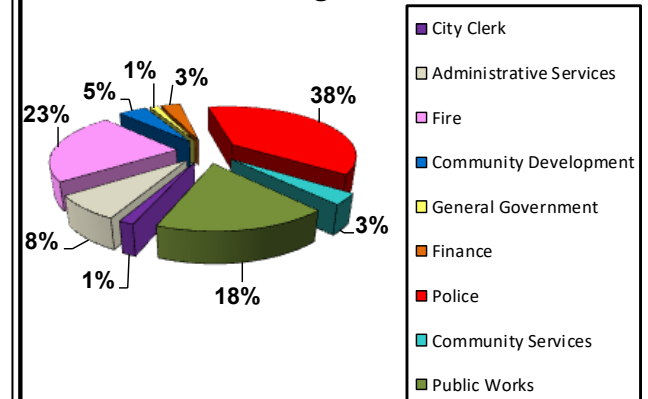
**Uses — General Fund  
(How the money is used)**

Description	FY 2021-2022 Budget
Administrative Services	\$4,452,160
City Clerk	\$893,840
Community Services	1,991,180
Community Development	2,675,110
Finance	1,859,280
Fire	13,518,930
General Government	768,790
Police	22,495,300
Public Works	10,341,000
<b>Total Uses — Department Operations</b>	<b>\$58,995,590</b>
Anticipated Budgetary Savings	\$1,769,870
Estimated Reserves	26,930,800
<b>Total Uses - General Fund</b>	<b>\$84,156,520</b>

**General Fund Sources  
Fiscal Year 2021-2022  
Total Final Budget - \$84,156,520**



**General Fund Uses  
Department Operations  
Fiscal Year 2021-2022  
Total Final Budget - \$84,156,520**



## Capital Improvement Program by Project Category

Description	FY 2021-2022 Budget
Sanitary Sewer	\$5,117,340
Transportation	\$5,506,980
Storm Drain	\$1,983,230
Public Buildings	\$846,320
Parks	\$2,772,840
Miscellaneous	\$129,210
<b>Total— All Projects</b>	<b>\$16,355,920</b>

## Comparison of Municipal Services

Description	2010	2021
Population	57,096	59,578
Total housing units	25,594	27,026
Operating budget	\$51,479,370	\$78,151,090
Employees per 1,000 pop.	4.54	4.49
Cost per capita	\$901.63	\$1,311.74
Part 1 crimes	2,007	1,304
Crime reports taken	7,114	4,069
Arrests	2,012	945
Accident reports taken	402	321
Medical aid calls	4,788	6,550
Fire and rescue calls	1,197	1,469
Miles of streets maintained	153.00	152.00
Miles of storm drains	56.00	203.00
Miles of sanitary sewer lines	156.00	154.00
Total city trees	8,150	10,123
Acres of landscaping	181.00	195.00

## Sources — All Funds

Description	FY 2021-2022 Budget
General Fund	\$51,956,040
Wastewater Fund	13,276,300
Special Revenue Funds	22,073,610
Internal Service Funds (net)	498,270
Debt Service Funds	1,722,340
Other Funds	1,724,970
Capital Improvement Program	4,691,250
<b>Subtotal Sources — All Funds</b>	<b>\$95,942,780</b>
Estimated Beginning Balance	53,750,010
<b>Total Sources— All Funds</b>	<b>\$149,692,790</b>

## Uses — All Funds

Description	FY 2021-2022 Budget
General Fund	\$58,995,590
Wastewater Fund	10,383,090
Special Revenue Funds	3,970,570
Internal Service Funds (net)	3,589,160
Debt Service	3,602,340
Other Funds	1,199,580
Capital Improvement Program	16,355,920
<b>Subtotal Uses — All Funds</b>	<b>\$98,096,250</b>
Anticipated Budgetary Savings	\$2,111,830
Estimated Ending Reserves	53,696,570
<b>Total Uses— All Funds</b>	<b>\$149,692,790</b>

### Budget Objectives

- ◆ Balance ongoing expenditures and revenues
- ◆ Maintain General Fund reserves of 25% for cash flow purposes and 15% for a rainy day
- ◆ Allocate General Fund monies to improve the City's facilities and infrastructure

These objectives will remain in place and will be addressed annually based upon funding available in any give any given year.



# Budget at a Glance

Adopted August 10, 2021 for

## Fiscal Year 2021-2022

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