



CITY OF TUCSON

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CITY MANAGER SUBMITS FY2014 CITY BUDGET TO MAYOR & COUNCIL

City Manager Richard Miranda submitted his recommended Fiscal Year 2014 City Budget and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to Mayor Jonathan Rothschild and the City Council at yesterday's Study Session.

"This recommended budget demonstrates yet again that the City of Tucson and our dedicated employees are doing more with less to meet the highest needs of our citizens," said City Manager Richard Miranda. "We appreciate the trust City residents and businesses have placed in the City with the approval of Proposition 409. And we recognize the leadership of our Mayor and Council in establishing a budget framework consistent with the community's highest values."

Highlights of the City Manager's recommended FY 2014 City Budget include:

The budget is balanced, as required by law:

A projected \$15 million deficit is closed based upon direction given by the Mayor and Council in previous meetings. Budget balancing strategies include debt refinancing, land sales and other measures.

The budget maintains City services and pursues alternative service delivery models, partnerships and efficiencies:

Service levels are maintained at FY 2013 levels despite increased costs and an overall reduction of 1,110 FTEs since FY 2009. Outside Agency funding is also maintained at FY 2013 levels.

The budget adds investment in street maintenance in accordance with voter-approved Proposition 409:

Approximately \$20 million is programmed to restore, repair and resurface city streets per November 2012 voter approval of City road bonds. 85% of the funding will be directed to major streets; 15% will be directed to high-priority neighborhood streets.

The City Manager's recommended FY 2014 budget is now available online at:

<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/files/budget/14Book-rec.pdf>

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