



City of Phoenix

General Information Packet

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Summary of Budget Comments, April 15 to April 21, 2022

This report transmits resident budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department between April 15 and April 21, 2022.

Summary

For the month of April staff provides weekly budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department via phone and email. Comments received are responded to by Budget and Research staff and/or the appropriate City department.

Summary of Community Feedback

Below is a summary of the comments received from March 1 to April 21, 2022, through Virtual Community Budget Hearings, the FundPHX tool, and received directly by the Budget and Research Department.

Comments for additional funding/support for the proposed budget:

- (79) in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
- (43) additional funding for Street Transportation maintenance, cleaning, and repair.
- (35) additional funding for public safety and the Police Department.
- (33) in support of the gated alleys.
- (30) additional funding for street improvements at 3rd and 5th Avenue in the Willo neighborhood.
- (28) additional funding to establish a community-led Public Health Committee.
- (28) additional funding for roadway and pedestrian safety, speeding enforcement, street racing, Vision Zero, and the Roadway Safety Action Plan.
- (26) additional funding for training and hiring Police officers.
- (24) additional funding for mental health services and non-police interventions.
- (24) additional funding for public safety and supportive services in the Village Meadows neighborhood.
- (21) in support of funding for immigrant/refugee services, the proposed City Navigator position, and the International Rescue Committee.
- (21) additional funding for expanded Parks and Recreation services, and improvements to trails and facilities, lighting, restrooms, sports facilities, and tree and shade coverage.

- (21) additional funding for affordable housing and supportive services, rental assistance, and housing for veterans and victims of domestic violence.
- (20) additional funding for programs assisting individuals experiencing homelessness.
- (17) additional funding for Human Services, substance abuse, childcare, and senior programs.
- (17) in support of funding for Arts and Culture.
- (14) additional funding for expanded Public Transit services, dedicated bus lanes and bays, shaded bus stops, and light rail extensions.
- (13) additional funding for the 19th Avenue Corridor Safety Plan.
- (12) in support of climate and sustainability programs, water conservation, Climate Action Plan, Tree and Shade Master Plan, and the Office of Heat Response and Mitigation.
- (11) additional funding for expanded Neighborhood Services programs, Blight Busters, and animal control services.
- (11) additional funding for historic preservation and the Warehouse and Threatened Buildings Grant program.
- (10) additional funding for hiring and improved training of Park Rangers.
- (10) additional funding for traffic signals and street lighting.
- (4) additional funding for Planning and Development services, support for vacant storefronts, land reuse programs, and ensuring equitable communities.
- (4) additional funding to expand the Green Organics program.
- (3) additional funding for Library services.
- (3) additional funding to renovate Cactus Park Precinct.
- (3) in support of the Trial Budget.
- (2) in support of funding for the Public Defender's Office.
- (2) additional funding for more full-time staff at the Pueblo Grande Museum.
- (2) additional funding to address street flooding.
- (2) in support of Economic Development and support for small and micro-business owners.
- (1) additional funding for the Fire Department.
- (1) additional funding to support local elementary schools.
- (1) in support of the Sunnyslope Works program.
- (1) additional funding for faster replacement of damaged garbage and recycling containers.
- (1) in support of 24/7 customer service support.
- (1) additional funding for Information Technology Services.
- (1) additional funding for Aviation.

- (1) additional funding to improve response times to water leaks.

Comments for reduced funding/opposition of the budget:

- (17) in opposition of increased funding for Police or in favor of reducing the Police budget.
- (3) reduced funding for Golf.
- (2) in opposition of increased funding for Light Rail.
- (2) in opposition of increased funding for the Law Department.
- (2) in opposition of increased funding for Human Resources.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Housing.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Arts and Culture.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Human Services.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Sustainability.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Environmental Programs.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Library.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Community and Economic Development.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Fire.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for Communications.
- (1) in opposition of increased funding for the Equal Opportunity Department.
- (1) in opposition of dedicated pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park.
- (1) in opposition of the Trial Budget.

General Comments received:

- (2) proposed procuring services from outside vendors in areas of Human Services, Arts, Economic Development and Climate and Sustainability.
- (2) promoted using electronic communication for the City Services bill to reduce costs associated with hard copy mail.
- (1) promoted rescinding tax-exempt status for churches.
- (1) promoted regulation for short term rentals.
- (1) promoted stronger tax policies for wealthier residents.
- (1) requested updates to City Code.

Attachment A transmits a summary of the email and voicemail comments regarding the budget for April 15 through April 21, 2022, as well as social media statistics.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Jeffrey Barton and the Budget and Research Department.



City of Phoenix

To: Jeffrey Barton
City Manager

Date: April 22, 2022

From: Amber Williamson ^{AW}
Budget and Research Director

Subject: RESIDENT BUDGET COMMENTS

The Budget and Research Department maintains an e-mail address and a voice mailbox for residents to provide comments on the budget.

Attachment A transmits a summary of these comments for April 15 to April 21, 2022, as well as social media statistics.

At www.phoenix.gov/Budget, residents can access the 2022-23 City Manager's Trial Budget, minutes from the 11 Virtual Community Budget Hearings held from April 2 to April 15, 2022, and other budget information.

Under Virtual Community Budget Hearings, residents can view the following:

- The 2022-23 Budget Tabloid in English and Spanish
- FundPHX Budgeting Tool
- The Budget Hearing presentation video in English and Spanish
- Videos of completed Virtual Community Budget Hearings.

ATTACHMENT A

VOICEMAIL, ELECTRONIC, AND WRITTEN BUDGET COMMENTS RESPONDED TO APRIL 15, 2022 – APRIL 21, 2022, AND SOCIAL MEDIA STATISTICS

Emails

1. Bailey Cacciatore sent an email in support of the proposed funding for the Office of Arts and Culture.
2. Donna Reiner sent an email in support of the proposed funding for the Office of Arts and Culture and would like to see an additional \$500,000 go to the Historic Preservation Warehouse and Threatened Buildings Grant program.
3. Steve Schumacher sent an email in support of funding for a City Historian position.
4. Nancy Wellmeier sent an email in support of additional funding for the International Rescue Committee (IRC) Welcome Center at the Ann Ott School to replace flooring and air conditioner.
5. Lois Stansbury sent an email in support of adding “no panhandling” signs in District 1 and adding funds to the Gated Alley Program.
6. Deborah Delwiche sent an email in support of “no panhandling” signs, funds for the Gated Alley Program, police officers, streetlights, speed mitigation solutions, and street repaving in the Village Meadows neighborhood, on 19th Avenue between Bell Road and Union Hills Drive.
7. Marnie Hawkins sent an email in support of “no panhandling” signs, funds for the Gated Alley Program, police officers, neighborhood inspectors, and adding streetlights in the Village Meadows neighborhood.
8. A resident sent an email in support of additional funding for the Police Department.
9. A resident sent an email in support of additional funding for the Police Department, adding “no panhandling” signs and more affordable housing.
10. Steve Moose sent an email in support of additional funding to hire more police officers.
11. Ashlee Fidler-McDonald sent an email in support of “no panhandling” signs, funds for the Gated Alley Program, police officers, streetlights, speed mitigation, and additional lights in parks in the Village Meadows neighborhood.
12. Elaina O’Grady sent an email in support of additional funding to the Police Department to add officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood and additional funding for the Gated Alley Program.

13. Jim Mussmann sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address the criminal activity and blight.
14. Loreen Janashak sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
15. Joanne Manning sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
16. Cindy Zaso sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
17. Ro Nestor sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
18. Jeff Puskar sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
19. Anne Mullen sent an email in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
20. Cheryl Blakes sent an email in support of additional officers at 19th Avenue and Dobbins Road and the entrance to South Mountain Park for street racing and criminal activity and would like to see that area repaved and additional streetlights installed.
21. Sharon Thomas sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
22. Debbie Weigert sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
23. Dean Becker sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
24. Patricia King sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
25. Sharon Machado sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
26. Bernice Volinsky sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
27. Alan Peril sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.

28. Colleen Schaffer sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
29. Ruthann Goozdich sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
30. Beth Gadzik sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
31. Stephen Bylund sent an email in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
32. Tracy Campagnano sent an email in opposition to adding new pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee, suggesting refurbishment of current tennis courts to accommodate pickleball.

Voicemails

1. Adwar left a voicemail in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight, and additional funding for the Gated Alley Program.
2. Rick Arronda left a voicemail in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
3. Maritsa left a voicemail in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight, and more lights were installed at the Bell Road and I-17 underpass.
4. Scott Madison Bristol left a voicemail in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight.
5. A resident left a voicemail in support of additional patrol officers in the Village Meadows neighborhood to address criminal activity and blight and requested installation of “no panhandling” signs.
6. Carol Hughes left a voicemail in support of installing pickleball courts at Desert Foothills Park in Ahwatukee.
7. Barbara Tucker left a voicemail in support of funding for the installation of sidewalks and pedestrian crosswalk signals with audio cues at 24th Street and Broadway Road.

Total cumulative social media statistics from March 4 - April 20, 2022 are as follows:

Facebook Posts – 17

- 585 Views
- 28 Likes
- 2 Shares
- 2 Comments

Twitter – 95 City of Phoenix Tweets (across three City accounts, including the City's bilingual account)

- 8,951 Views
- 63 Likes
- 19 Retweets

YouTube – 11 City of Phoenix Videos

- 1,485 Views
- 4 Likes
- 1 Comment

Respectfully submitted,

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