



General Information Packet

Thursday, May 13, 2021

phoenix.gov

1	Emergency Rental Assistance Program Weekly Update	Page 3
2	Weekly Community Spread Benchmark Report	Page 6
3	2021 State Legislative Report	Page 8
4	For Transmittal, Minutes of the Policy Session Meeting on May 4, 2021	Page 31
5	Electronic and Voicemail Budget Comments and the Third 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Trial Budget FundPHX Report	Page 41



Date: 5/13/2021, Item No. 1

Emergency Rental Assistance Program Weekly Update

This report provides information on the current status of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

Summary

The attached memo (**Attachment A**) provides current updates of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Deputy City Manager Gina Montes and the Human Services Department.

Attachment A



City of Phoenix

To: Ed Zuercher
City Manager

Date: May 13, 2021

Through: Gina Montes
Deputy City Manager

From: Marchelle Franklin
Human Services Director

Subject: **WEEKLY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REPORT**

This memo outlines current updates of the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program. Program expenditures total \$6,896,234. The average financial assistance per household is currently at \$7,400 and 15% of program funds have been disbursed.

ERA Program Updates

Human Services staff submitted the first program quarterly report to the U.S. Treasury on Wednesday, May 12. It covered program data from January 1 to March 31, 2021. The report showed that of the 155 households served, 87% were at or below 50% of the area median income, which is \$39,500 for a family of four.

An ERA Program [dashboard](#) is available on the City's open data portal and a link is listed on www.phoenix.gov/renthelp. The dashboard displays total values for rent assistance disbursed, utility assistance disbursed, households served, and residents served. Data will be updated weekly, and the dashboard represents data up to Friday of the prior week. For example, the current dashboard is updated through the week of May 3.

City ERA Program data is detailed on the next page.

Attachment A

City ERA Program Data					
Time Period	Appointments Scheduled	Households Served	Residents Served	Ineligible Applications	Total Expenditures
March 8 – 12	247	1	-	0	\$2,957
March 15 – 19	247	28	85	0	\$210,425
March 22 - 26	285	57	148	0	\$436,348
March 29 – April 2	244	53	107	1	\$329,986
April 5 – April 9	280	80	206	0	\$702,760
April 12 – April 16	301	81	202	0	\$655,370
April 19 – April 23	308	70	165	0	\$533,724
April 26 – April 30	307	71	161	0	\$541,248
May 3 – May 7	346	78	190	0	\$587,224
TOTAL	2,219	519	1,074	1	\$4,000,042

Wildfire's program data is detailed below.

Wildfire ERA Program Data					
Time Period	Applications Received	Households Served	Residents Served	Ineligible Applications	Total Expenditures
March 22 - 26	-	20	-	-	\$131,047
March 29 – April 2	2,438*	40	-	-	\$274,221
April 5 – April 9	470	49	-	-	\$341,783
April 12 – April 16	1,008	71	407*	45*	\$507,363
April 19 – April 23	872	92	226	32	\$592,793
April 26 – April 30	510	69	76	18	\$470,383
May 3 – May 7	648	72	128	31	\$578,602
TOTAL	5,946	413	837	126	\$2,896,192

*Total up to this date

Our Community, Our Stories

In April, John F. Long Family Services Center staff assisted a 32-year-old client who experienced domestic violence and was seeking services. Staff offered her victim advocate referral assistance and she accepted. Staff also helped with her ERA application. The client had lost her job in December due to the pandemic and needed assistance with rent and utilities. Staff was able to assist her with over \$5,500 in financial assistance. The client expressed gratitude, stating she did not expect the financial assistance and was also thankful for the victim advocate referral - this was the first time she experienced domestic violence and did not know her next steps.



Weekly Community Spread Benchmark Report

This report provides City Council with an update regarding the status of the current community spread benchmark indicators tracked by the City of Phoenix related to COVID-19 as requested at the Dec. 2, 2020 Formal Meeting. This information represents the latest data released by the Maricopa County Department of Health Services on May 13, 2021.

Summary

On March 3, 2021 the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) revised the Community Transmission indicators and Community Risk Levels based on CDC guidance, establishing a new Current Overall Risk level to their reporting charts. ADHS and Maricopa County are now only reporting on two benchmarks to reflect community spread, past reports included three benchmarks.

The attached memo (**Attachment A**) provides an indicator dashboard as well as a comparison between the two benchmark statistics tracked by the ADHS, Maricopa County and the City: percent positivity rate of COVID-19 cases each week and new cases per 100,000 individuals. The current overall risk level is at substantial spread. Both Arizona Department of Health Services tracked categories have decreased slightly.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Jeffrey Barton.



City of Phoenix

To: Ed Zuercher
City Manager

Date: May 13, 2021

From: Jeffrey Barton
Assistant City Manager

Subject: WEEKLY COMMUNITY SPREAD BENCHMARK REPORT

This memo communicates the community spread benchmarks within the City of Phoenix.

Indicator	Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
	Blue	Yellow	Orange	Red
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days	0-9	10-49	50-99	≥100
Percentage of NAATs (PCR) that are positive during the past 7 days	<5.0%	5.0%-7.9%	8.0%-9.9%	≥10.0%

City staff has evaluated key metrics comparing the current weekly benchmarks to that of the previous week, as well as the benchmark status as reported on Sept. 6, 2020. The chart below provides metrics as reported by Arizona Department of Health Services and Maricopa County:

Current Overall Risk Level: Substantial Spread		
Week of	Positivity Rate	New Cases/ 100,000
6-Sept	4.81%	29.27
18-April	8.09%	72.16
25-April	8.08%	71.68

Both categories tracked by the Arizona Department of Health Services are now in the substantial category. Over the past week, new cases per 100,000 and positivity rate have decreased slightly.



2021 State Legislative Report

This report provides information regarding the status of current state legislative issues.

Summary

May 12, 2021 is the 121st day of the First Regular Session of the 55th legislature.

Attachment A provides current status of legislation as of May 11, 2021. To date, 1,708 bills have been introduced and staff continues to review these measures to identify potential impacts.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Ed Zuercher and the Office of Government Relations.

Attachment A
City Council Information
May 12, 2021



The Office of Government Relations is guided by the principles endorsed by the Mayor and Council. Our highest priorities are maintaining and preserving **shared revenues**, opposing **unfunded mandates**, protecting **local authority**, and involvement in **water resource** matters.

This Legislative Report provides information about bills that could impact the City. May 12, 2021 is the 121st day of the First Regular Session of the 55th Legislature. The information provided in this report regarding status of legislation is current as of May 11, 2021. To date, 1,708 bills have been introduced and staff continues to review these measures to identify potential impacts.

Please note the highlighted sections represent bills newly added to this report.

Bills that staff has identified as negatively impacting the City's core principles:

- **HB 2025: Delinquent Property Tax; Interest; Waiver (Rep. Kavanaugh; Fountain Hills)** This bill authorizes the county treasurer to waive the interest that accrues on delinquent property taxes, and any other penalties, for a delinquency that occurs during the one-year period after a mortgage or deed of trust is satisfied or otherwise released on the property. A taxpayer may receive this waiver only once per property.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill because it would result in a reduction in revenue and waive the City's ability to impose penalties.

HB 2025 was signed by the Governor on March 26, 2021.

- **HB 2108: Telecommunications; Public Highways; Use Fees (Rep. Weninger; Chandler)** The bill requires that for any underground facility that is used for a "small wireless facility," a political subdivision is prohibited from requiring an annual telecommunications fee based on the number of linear feet of trench in the public highways in which the telecommunications corporation has placed facilities.

Staff is expressing opposition as it would reduce city revenue by eliminating the City's ability to charge these fees.

HB 2108 was retained on House COW calendar on March 3, 2021.

- **HB 2190: Striker: Vaccination Requirements (Rep. Townsend; Apache Junction)** The bill would ban any incentive program to encourage vaccine participation. The bill also bans private business in Arizona from requiring vaccination for use of their services.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it would prohibit Phoenix's vaccination incentive program.

HB 2190 passed the Senate Rules Committee on April 1, 2021.

- **HB 2211: TPT; Prime Contracting; Exemptions; Certificates (Rep. Cobb; Kingman)** The bill makes various changes to statutes relating to transaction privilege taxes (TPT) for prime contracting. The definitions of "modification" and "alteration" for the purpose of computing the tax base for the prime contracting classification of TPT are modified. A certificate that a contractor provides to a person stating that the contractor is liable for any amount of transaction privilege taxes due is valid for a period of up to one year. After the certificate expires, the contractor is allowed to execute and provide to the person a new certificate. The Department of Revenue (DOR) is required to prescribe a form for a certificate to be used by a prime contractor that is subject to TPT for purchasing tangible personal property, the purchase price of which was excluded from the tax base under the retail classification of TPT. The prime contractor is required to obtain the certificate from DOR, and the certificate is valid for up to one year. Applies to contracts entered into beginning January 1, 2022.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it reduces City revenues.

HB 2211 was held in the House Ways and Means Committee on February 17, 2021.

- **HB 2310: Municipalities; Counties; Law Enforcement Budgets (Rep. Roberts; Maricopa)** The bill requires that, on the request of any member of the Legislature, the Attorney General (AG) must investigate any reduction of a "law enforcement agency's" budget by at least ten percent below the previous year's budget. If they determine such a cut was made, the AG will provide 30 days to restore the budget reduction. If the county or municipality fails to restore the budget reduction, the AG is required to notify the State Treasurer, who must withhold and redistribute state shared monies in an amount equal to the reduction of the law enforcement agency's budget. This bill does not apply if a county or municipality has reduced their overall budget by at least ten percent below the previous year's budget.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it is a preemption of city power and will adversely affect city revenue.

HB 2310 was signed by the Governor on April 20, 2021.

- **HB 2420: Law Enforcement Budget; Reduction; Certification (Rep. Carroll; Sun City West)** The bill requires counties and cities to certify each year that there has been no disproportionate funding reduction to the county's or municipality's law enforcement agency. The certification must include a statement that any reduction in funding or proposed funding to the law enforcement agency is a result of reduced revenue collection and the reduction in law enforcement agency funding is proportionate to the reduction in revenue. A county or municipality that has disproportionately reduced its law enforcement agency funding is not eligible to receive state shared monies.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it is a preemption of city power.

HB 2420 failed to pass the House on March 3, 2021.

- **HB 2462: Civilian Review Board Members; Training (Rep. Payne; Peoria)** This bill requires that before a person becomes a member of a "civilian review board" (defined) that reviews the actions of peace officers in Arizona, the person is required to satisfactorily complete a community college police academy and at least 20 hours of virtual law enforcement training.

Staff is expressing opposition because this bill is overbroad in that it applies to citizen boards that do not pertain to policing and it is not clear that the requirements would improve service on a board.

HB 2462 was signed by the Governor on May 7, 2021.

- **HB 2570: Licenses; Pandemics; Revocation; Prohibition (Rep. Hoffman; Queen Creek)** The bill requires that state agencies, counties, and municipalities are prohibited from revoking any license that is required to operate a business for not complying with an order issued by the Governor due to a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor for an epidemic or pandemic disease, unless the agency, county or municipality can demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the business was the actual cause of transmission of the disease that is the subject of the order.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it reduces local control.

HB 2570 was approved by the Senate COW with amendment on April 14, 2021.

- **HB 2668: Striker: Homelessness Grant Funding (Rep. Gowan; Sierra Vista)** The bill would redirect state-funded grants for police to be used for homelessness issues, would deny a city with above state average rates of homelessness from receiving grant funding, and imposes a statutory obligation on social services and mental health professionals to enforce state and local laws.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it would reduce Phoenix's homelessness funding.

HB 2668 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendment on April 1, 2021.

- **HB 2691: Striker: ADEQ; Water Quality Programs; WOTUSADEQ; Water Quality Programs; WOTUS (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** The bill proposes a regulatory scheme for surface waters in Arizona, in the wake of the Federal Government rolling back its protections.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it weakens water quality standards, limits regulatory oversight, and excludes important surface waters.

HB 2691 was signed by the Governor on May 5, 2021.

- **HB 2702: Federal Government; Land Acquisition; Consent (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** The bill states that the consent of the state of Arizona to the acquisition, sale, gift or grant or any other transfer of an ownership interest in any privately owned real property within Arizona that is not in possession of any federal agency as of the effective date of this legislation, and that would remove the real property from state, county and municipal property tax rolls is prohibited from being given without the express, affirmative consent of the Legislature and the Governor through the signing of a joint resolution. On the opening of escrow for the sale of private real property to the federal government or a federal agency, the escrow agent or property owner is required to notify the Legislature and request approval of the sale. The state has the right of first refusal to purchase private real property that the federal government is contracting to acquire.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill because it preempts City authority.

HB 2702 was approved by the House COW on February 24, 2021.

- **HB 2716: Licensing; Building Permits; Temporary Permits (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** The bill states that in determining the order in which the municipality will review an application for a license, the municipality is prohibited from prioritizing applications for a license that is subject to licensing timeframe requirements over applications for a license that is not. If a municipality requires a building permit for the construction of any single-family dwelling, the municipality is required to issue the building permit within seven calendar days after the applicant submits an administratively complete application if the applicant has satisfied specified requirements. If the municipality fails to issue the building permit within seven calendar days, the applicant must be granted a temporary building permit and is authorized to commence with construction.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill because it will create an administrative burden on the city, and "temporary permits" could create dangerous situations if issues without proper plot plan review.

HB 2716 failed the Senate Commerce Committee on March 24, 2021.

- **HB 2804: Public Meetings; Executive Sessions (Rep. Pingerelli; Peoria)** The bill says that public body is authorized to hold an executive session for legal advice solely for advice in the other areas for which an executive session may be held. Discussion of the objectives on which an officer or employee of a public body will be evaluated must be conducted in a public meeting.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it limits the City's ability to control its public meetings and limit the ability of city attorneys to provide advice to Council.

HB 2804 passed the House on March 4, 2021 and was referred to the Senate Government Committee on March 8, 2021.

- **HB 2882 (Strike Everything Amendment): Mobile Food Vendors; Mobile Food Units; Operation (Rep. Parker; Mesa)** The bill eliminates the distance requirement for mobile food vendors for residential areas, prohibits the City from fingerprinting a mobile food vendor, and disallows licenses and fees for City operation of mobile food vendors.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it preempts city authority.

HB 2882 was retained on House COW calendar on February 24, 2021.

SB 1116: State Permitting Dashboard (Sen. Gowan; Sierra Vista) This bill requires the Governor to appoint a State Permitting Director to establish and maintain an online database called the Permitting Dashboard that displays the progress to completion for state authorizations for participating projects. The Director is required to coordinate with a list of specified state agencies and any other agency that requires authorization for a participating project. A project sponsor of an "eligible project" (defined as an activity in Arizona that requires authorization by an agency, that is subject to applicable state environmental laws, that is likely to require a total construction investment of more than \$25 million, and that meet other specified requirements) is authorized to submit to the Director a notice that the project sponsor is initiating a proposed project, and information that must be included in the notice is established. No later than 30 days after receipt of the notice, the Director is required to determine whether the proposed project qualifies as an eligible project and whether to include it as a participating project in the Permitting Dashboard.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as these additional regulations preempt some municipal authority and will cause delays to projects that meet the bill's requirements.

SB 1116 passed the House Appropriations Committee on March 31, 2021.

- **SB 1333: Law Enforcement; Budget Reduction; Prohibition (Sen. Gowan; Sierra Vista)** This bill prohibits municipalities from reducing the annual operating budget for a law enforcement agency by any amount below the previous year's budget. If a municipality reduces the annual operating budget for a law enforcement

agency, the municipality is required to notify the State Treasurer of the reduction, and the State Treasurer is required to withhold any state shared monies from the municipality in an amount equal to the amount of the reduction of the annual operating budget for the law enforcement agency. The State Treasurer is required to deposit any amounts withheld in the newly established Law Enforcement Support Fund. If a municipality reduces the annual operating budget for a law enforcement agency by more than 25 percent, the State Treasurer is required to withhold state shared monies in an amount equal to the law enforcement agency's entire budget for the previous year. If a municipality reduces a law enforcement agency's budget by more than 25 percent, the municipality is required to notify the county sheriff, that sheriff is authorized to assume law enforcement functions for that municipality, and the State Treasurer is required to provide all state shared monies withheld from the municipality to the county sheriff's department. The State Treasurer is required to continue to withhold state shared monies until notification from the municipality that the reduction in the law enforcement agency's budget has been restored.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it preempts municipal authority.

SB 1333 passed the Senate Rules Committee on February 16, 2021.

- **SB 1406: Aircraft Registration Fees; Taxation; Repeal (Sen. Petersen; Gilbert)**
This bill repeals aircraft registration fees and license taxes.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it reduces revenue for airport improvements and capital projects.

SB 1406 passed the Senate COW on March 10, 2021.

- **SB 1487: Private Attorney Retention; Municipalities; Counties (Sen. Leach; Tucson)** This bill states that counties and municipalities are prohibited from entering into a contingency fee contract with a private attorney unless the county or municipal attorney makes a written determination before entering into the contract that contingency fee representation is both cost effective and in the public interest. The written determination is required to include specific findings for a list of specified factors. Counties and municipalities are prohibited from entering into a contingency fee contract that provides for the county's or municipality's private attorney to receive a contingency fee from the county's or municipality's portion of the recovery in excess of an aggregate of a list of specified percentages based on the recovery amount. The contingency fee received by the county's or municipality's private attorney cannot exceed \$50 million. Establishes additional requirements for county or municipal contracts for contingency fee attorney services. Does not apply to any contingency fee contract in which a county or municipality hires a private attorney to pursue debt collection cases. By February 1 of each year, the county attorney or municipal attorney is required to submit a report on the use of contingency fee contracts with private attorneys to the Governor and the Legislature. Information that must be included in the report is specified.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it preempts municipal authority.

SB 1487 passed the Senate Rules Committee on March 2, 2021.

- **SB 1496: E-Liquids; Tobacco Products; Vapor Products (Sen. Leach; Tucson)**

This bill expands the powers and duties of the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC) to include enforcing statute regulating tobacco sales, investigating the sales of "alternative nicotine products," "e-liquids," "tobacco products" or "vapor products" to persons under the "legal tobacco and vapor use age" (defined as 21 years of age or older), causing to be removed from the marketplace alternative nicotine products, e-liquids, tobacco products or vapor products that may be contaminated, illegal or adulterated, and taking other regulatory actions related to these products. A person is prohibited from selling alternative nicotine products, e-liquids, tobacco products or vapor products in Arizona or from outside Arizona without a license issued by DLLC. Establishes requirements for licensees to obtain identification from a person ordering or purchasing these products in order to determine that the person is not under the legal use age. Sales of these products cannot be made using a drive-through or other feature allowing the purchase without leaving a vehicle. A person under the legal drinking age or legal tobacco and vapor use age who misrepresents the person's age, solicits another person to purchase or furnish, or uses a fraudulent identification to obtain these products is guilty of a petty offense. A person who knowingly sells or furnishes these products or any instrument or paraphernalia used to smoke or ingest these products to a person under 21 years of age is guilty of a petty offense. Establishes civil penalties for violations and conditions under which a license may be suspended or revoked. Establishes appeal rights and procedures. Various regulations of tobacco products are expanded to include e-liquids, vapor products and alternative nicotine products.

Staff is expressing opposition to this bill as it preempts significant City authority for regulation.

SB 1496 was held in the Senate Commerce Committee on February 18, 2021.

- **SB 1687: Governmental Entities; Social Media; Prohibition (Sen. Ugenti-Rita; Scottsdale)** This bill says that a "governmental entity" (defined), at any level, is prohibited from using a social media platform for any official or governmental purpose. A governmental entity is prohibited from giving or controlling a social media account to or for an elected official. Does not apply to a personal social media account operated by an elected official.

SB 1687 passed the Senate Transportation and Technology Committee on February 16, 2021.

Bills that staff has identified as beneficial to the City:

- **HB 2027: Leaving Accident Scene; Private Property (Rep. Kavanaugh; Fountain Hills)** The bill designates that the requirements for the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident to stop, remain at the scene of the accident, give specified information to others, and give reasonable assistance to an injured person are applicable to accidents on public or private property. The criminal classification for

violating these requirements and for violating the requirement to take reasonable steps to locate and notify the owner of an unattended vehicle or fixtures or other property adjacent to a highway that the driver struck are increased to a class 1 misdemeanor, from a class 3 misdemeanor.

HB 2027 was signed by the Governor on April 30, 2021.

- **HB 2034: Noxious Weeds; Government Projects (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** This bill authorizes state, state agencies, political subdivisions, and any other governmental entity to remove "noxious weeds," including Russian olive and salt cedar trees, as part of routine maintenance operations and capital projects. The state, state agencies, political subdivisions, and any other governmental entity are prohibited from using noxious weeds, including Russian olive and salt cedar trees, in landscaping.

HB 2034 was signed by the Governor on February 12, 2021.

- **HB 2035: Appropriation; AZ Water Protection Fund (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** This bill appropriates \$1 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Arizona Water Protection Fund.

HB 2035 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on March 3, 2021.

- **HB 2040: Dam Safety Study Committee (Rep. Griffin; Hereford)** This bill establishes a 7-member Dam Safety Study Committee to collect information on the status of dams in Arizona with respect to their safety, age and need for maintenance.

HB 2040 passed the Senate Rules Committee on April 6, 2021.

- **HB 2066: Arrest Procedures; Magistrates (Rep. Roberts; Maricopa)** The bill requires that if the offense a person is arrested for was committed in another county, the arrested person may be taken before either the nearest or most accessible magistrate in the county in which the arrest occurs or the county where the offense was committed.

HB 2066 was signed by the Governor on March 23, 2021.

- **HB 2074: Water Banking; Storage Credits; Subcontractors (Rep. Pratt; Casa Grande)** This bill asserts that the Arizona Water Banking Authority is authorized to distribute long-term water storage credits to Central Arizona Water Conservation District's (CAWCD) municipal and industrial subcontractors. Long-term water storage credits that are distributed to a CAWCD municipal and industrial subcontractor cannot be sold, and the subcontractor is responsible for all fees assessed by the Authority or the Department of Water Resources for the distribution of the long-term storage credits and all costs of recovery of the long-term storage credits.

HB 2074 was referred to the House Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee on January 14, 2021.

- **HB 2075: Sentencing; Judgment of Guilt; Fingerprints (Rep. Pratt; Casa Grande)** This bill articulates that the court must require either that a defendant's fingerprint be permanently affixed to a court document or order, or that the defendant's two fingerprint biometric-based identifier be obtained and recorded, and is no longer required to affix or obtain and record a defendant's fingerprint "at the time of sentencing and in open court."

HB 2075 was signed by the Governor on March 23, 2021.

- **HB 2078: Groundwater; Waterlogged Area Exempt (Rep. Dunn; Yuma)** This bill extends the exemption from irrigation water duties for persons entitled to use groundwater under an irrigation grandfathered right by ten years, to December 31, 2034. The exemption from any applicable conservation requirements for the distribution of groundwater for the Arlington Canal Company, the Buckeye Water Conservation and Drainage District and the St. John's Irrigation District is extended ten years, to December 31, 2034.

HB 2078 was signed by the Governor on February 5, 2021.

- **HB 2127: Appropriation; State Parks; Heritage Fund (Rep. Osborne; Goodyear)** This bill appropriates \$10 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund.

HB 2127 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on March 24, 2021.

- **HB 2205: Appropriation; WQARF (Rep. Cano; Tucson)** This bill appropriates \$15 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund.

HB 2205 was referred to the House Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee on January 20, 2021.

- **HB 2285: Online Home Sharing; Repeal (Rep. Lieberman; Phoenix)** This bill repeals statutes prohibiting municipalities and counties from prohibiting vacation rentals or short-term rentals and limiting the restrictions that municipalities and counties may place on those rentals to a list of specified purposes. Repeals the online lodging marketplace transaction privilege tax classification, and the requirement for online lodging marketplaces to register with the Department of Revenue for payment of transaction privilege taxes on online lodging transactions. Repeals the requirement for online lodging operators to have a current transaction privilege tax license and related civil penalties for noncompliance. Repeals the Joint Legislative Study Committee on Transient Lodging.

HB 2285 was referred to the House Commerce Committee on January 26, 2021.

- **HB 2321: Qualified Facility Income Tax Credits; Qualification; Definitions (Rep. Toma; Sun City West)** The Department of Revenue (DOR) is authorized to issue

draft rulings, procedures and other administrative announcements that apply to tax laws and regulations either generally or for a specific set of facts. DOR is required to establish and maintain a publicly accessible record of all draft and final rulings, procedures and administrative announcements on the DOR website and is required to prominently announce additions, modifications and other changes to this record on the website's home page. Establishes requirements for draft rulings, procedures and other administrative announcements to become final, including a required period for public comment. Does not apply to private taxpayer rulings, tax forms and instructions, routine notices that remind taxpayers of normal filing obligations and other routine DOR communications that do not substantively apply to and interpret tax laws and regulations. The court is required to decide all questions of law without deference to any determination that is made by DOR.

HB 2321 was signed by the Governor on March 23, 2021.

- **HB 2407: Tax Credit; Affordable Housing (Rep. Toma; Surprise)** This bill establishes a credit against individual and corporate income taxes and insurance premium taxes for projects that qualify for the federal low-income housing tax credit and that are placed in service from and after June 30, 2022. The credit is equal to the amount of the federal low-income housing credit for the qualified project.

HB 2407 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on March 3, 2021.

- **HB 2489: Appropriation; Affordable Housing (Rep. Chavez; Phoenix)** This bill appropriates \$25 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Housing Trust Fund.

HB 2489 passed the House Rules Committee on February 23, 2021.

- **HB 2562: Tax Credit; Affordable Housing (Rep. A. Hernandez; Tucson)** This bill appropriates \$2.5 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Department of Economic Security to distribute to area agencies on aging for home and community-based services. The Legislature intends that this appropriation be considered ongoing funding in future years.

HB 2562 was approved by the House COW on February 18, 2021.

- **HB 2565: Area Agencies on Aging; Appropriation (Rep. Cobb; Kingman)** This bill establishes a credit against individual and corporate income taxes and insurance premium taxes for projects that qualify for the federal low-income housing tax credit and that are placed in service from and after June 30, 2022. The credit is equal to the amount of the federal low-income housing credit for the qualified project.

HB 2565 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendment on April 1, 2021.

- **HB 2623: Fireworks; Use; Overnight Hours Prohibition (Rep. Shah; Phoenix)** The bill states that counties and municipalities are authorized to prohibit the use of

permissible consumer fireworks between the hours of 10PM and 8AM.

HB 2623 passed the Senate Commerce Committee and was further referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee on March 11, 2021.

- **HB 2671: Underground Storage Tanks; Revisions (Rep. John; Yuma)** The city proposed an amendment to this bill, which was adopted. The bill makes numerous changes to the underground storage tank (UST) program, and with the City's amendment included provides possible additional funding to WQARF.

HB 2671 passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on March 10, 2021.

- **HB 2835: Theme Park Districts; Extension (Rep. Cobb; Kingman)** The bill states that the authority of the board of directors of a theme park district to issue bonds expires if the board fails to issue any bonds on or before December 31, 2031, extended 11 years from December 31, 2020. The chapter of statute establishing and regulating theme park districts is repealed on January 1, 2032, instead of January 1, 2021, if the board fails to issue bonds by that date.

HB 2835 was signed by the Governor on April 28, 2021.

- **SB 1056: Energy; Water; Savings Account (Sen. Gray; Sun City)** This bill extends the maximum length of a contract between a county or municipality and an energy or water services company to pay for the incremental cost of energy or water savings measures in facilities owned by the county or municipality to 25 years, from 15 years. Other costs and revenue are included in the estimated impact to be achieved by a county or municipality through energy or water savings measures or services. Reports on school district contracts for guaranteed energy cost savings must be filed with the Department of Administration, instead of the Governor's Office of Energy Policy.

SB 1056 was signed by the Governor February 26, 2021.

- **SB 1327: Tax Credit; Affordable Housing (Sen. Gowan; Sierra Vista)** This bill establishes a credit against individual and corporate income taxes and insurance premium taxes for projects that qualify for the federal low-income housing tax credit and that are placed in service from and after June 30, 2022. The credit is equal to the amount of the federal low-income housing credit for the qualified project. To claim the credit, a taxpayer is required to apply to the Arizona Department of Housing and receive an eligibility statement. If the amount of the credit exceeds taxes due, the taxpayer may carry the unused amount forward for up to five consecutive taxable years. The Department of Revenue is required to allocate a total of \$8 million of affordable housing tax credits in any calendar year. Establishes a 9-member Affordable Housing Tax Credit Review Committee to review the tax credits on the fifth year after the effective date of the credit and every five years thereafter and submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature.

SB 1327 was referred to the House Ways and Means Committee on March 1, 2021.

- **SB 1451: Workers' Compensation; Rates; Firefighters; Cancer (Sen. Boyer; Phoenix)** This bill adds Fire investigators to the presumption that specified types of cancer and related diseases that result in disability or death are an occupational disease and are deemed to arise out of employment if specified conditions are met. All insurance carriers, self-insuring employers and workers' compensation pools that secure workers' compensation for firefighters and fire investigators are required to compile and report to the Industrial Commission claim and claim reserve information for all cancer-related claims filed by or on behalf of firefighters and fire investigators. The Commission is required to compile and make available to insurance carriers, rating organizations, employers, public safety workers and workers' compensation pools the claim-related information collected to assist with the setting of workers' compensation insurance rates. In addition to the six uniform percentage deviations already authorized by statute, insurers covering firefighters and fire investigators are permitted to file one uniform percentage deviation that increases the statewide rates under the rating organization's rate filing for the class codes associated with firefighters and fire investigators to address the anticipated increase in losses and expenses for claims that are compensable due to the workers' compensation presumption. The deviation filing must be accompanied by analysis from an actuary that substantively illustrates the basis for the rate increase. Contains a legislative intent section.

SB 1451 was signed by the Governor on April 14, 2021.

- **SB 1514: Appropriation; Emergency Shelter Beds; Seniors (Sen. Boyer; Phoenix)** This bill appropriates \$5 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Department of Economic Security (DES) for emergency shelter beds in western Maricopa County to shelter and serve homeless seniors who are at least 55 years of age. DES is required to distribute the monies to a single Arizona nonprofit provider that meets a list of specified requirements.

SB 1514 passed the House Appropriations Committee on March 18, 2021.

- **SB 1720: Peer-to-Peer Car Sharing (Sen. Fann; Prescott)** This bill establishes a new chapter in Title 28 (Transportation) regulating "peer-to-peer car sharing," defined as the authorized use of a shared vehicle by an individual other than the shared vehicle owner through a "peer-to-peer car sharing program." A peer-to-peer car sharing program is required to assume the liability of a shared vehicle owner for bodily injury or property damage that occurs to a third party during the car sharing period in an amount that is stated in the car sharing program agreement and that is at least the minimum amount of motor vehicle liability coverage required by statute. Some exceptions. A peer-to-peer car sharing program is required to ensure that during each car sharing period the shared vehicle owner and the shared vehicle driver are insured under a motor vehicle liability insurance policy that recognizes that the vehicle insured under the policy is made available and used through a peer-to-peer car sharing program, and that does not exclude the use of a shared vehicle by a shared vehicle driver. A peer-to-peer car sharing program is required to register with the Department of Revenue (DOR) for a license for the payment of transaction privilege taxes levied by the state and one or more counties, municipalities, or

special taxing districts for the taxes due from a shared vehicle owner for any vehicle sharing transaction facilitated by the peer-to-peer car sharing program.

SB 1720 was signed by the Governor on April 9, 2021.

- **SB 1721: TPT; Prime Contracting Classification (Sen. Fann; Prescott)** This bill states that the gross proceeds of sales or gross income derived from a construction contract with an owner of real property or the improvements to real property that does not exceed \$100,000 per unit for a "residential project" (defined) or \$1 million for a nonresidential project is not subject to tax under the prime contracting classification of transaction privilege taxes, and is required to be exempt from municipal transaction privilege and use taxes. Only the contract price is used to determine whether a contract exceeds the threshold amount described in this paragraph with no subtractions for amounts paid to subcontractors or any deductions or exemptions allowed. Project elements cannot be artificially separated from a contract to cause a project to qualify for this exemption. The Department of Revenue has the burden of proving that project elements have been artificially separated from a contract.

SB 1721 passed the Senate Rules Committee on March 2, 2021.

- **SB 1752: Community Facilities Districts (Sen. Leach; Tucson)** This bill makes various changes to statutes relating to community facilities districts, including setting a cap for the ad valorem tax. It says that if a district sells general obligation bonds above par, the amount of "net premium" (defined) associated with a general obligation bond issue may be used only to pay costs incurred in issuing the bonds or as a deposit in a debt service fund and used only to pay interest on the issue of general obligation bonds. If used for any other purpose, and if the district has general obligation bond voter authorization and available capacity under its debt limitations, both the available aggregate indebtedness capacity of the district and the principal amount authorized at the general obligation bond election for the district must be reduced by the amount of net premium used for that purpose.

SB 1752 was signed by the Governor on April 14, 2021.

Bills staff are monitoring:

- **HB 2049: Eminent Domain; Existing Contracts (Rep. Weninger; Chandler)** This bill requires that if a municipality exercises the right of eminent domain to acquire a public utility business or enterprise, the municipality is required to assume all existing assets and contractual liabilities associated with providing current and future utility service in the certificate of convenience and necessity that is being condemned unless all parties to the contractual obligations agree otherwise.

HB 2049 was retained on Senate COW calendar on April 14, 2021.

- **HB 2065: Medical Freedom; Parental Rights (Rep. Fillmore; Apache Junction)** This bill articulates that students are no longer prohibited from attending school without submitting documentary proof of required immunizations to the school

administrator. Schools are prohibited from requiring a student to receive the recommended immunizations and from refusing to admit or otherwise penalizing a student because that student has not received the recommended immunizations. If a parent chooses to have the student immunized, the parent is required to submit documentary proof to the school administrator to verify that the pupil has received the recommended immunizations if an outbreak occurs. A student who lacks documentary proof of immunization may be excluded from school only if the student lacks an immunization for which there is an active case of a disease that the immunization is intended to prevent in that student's school and if the Department of Health Services or a local health department has declared an outbreak of that disease for an area that includes the student's school.

HB 2065 was referred to the House Health and Human Services and House Education Committees on January 14, 2021.

- **HB 2118: Furnishing Tobacco; Minors; Enterprise Partners (Rep. Bolick; Phoenix)** This bill makes it unlawful for a person to knowingly sell, give or furnish a tobacco product, vapor product or any instrument or paraphernalia solely designed for smoking or ingesting tobacco or shisha to a person who is under the minimum age of sale for tobacco products as set by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, instead of to minors. Establishes penalties the court must impose on an enterprise that violates this prohibition based on the number of violations. Penalties include mandatory attendance at a court-approved tobacco retailer educational course and graduated fines ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. For a second or subsequent violation, the court is required to prohibit the enterprise from selling, giving or furnishing tobacco products or vapor products for a specified time period. A violation of this restriction is a petty offense, subject to an additional fine and an extension of the prohibition.

HB 2118 was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee on February 23, 2021.

- **HB 2152: Police; Camera Recordings; Required Redactions (Rep. Kavanaugh; Fountain Hills)** This bill requires that before a law enforcement agency releases a copy of a video recording from a law enforcement officer's body-worn camera to the public, the law enforcement agency must redact any portion of the video recording that shows the face or an identifiable body part of any person who appears in the video recording if the person is not the subject of a police investigation or enforcement action and the person was located in a private location or in a public location with an expectation of privacy, the person is a victim of or witness to a crime, or the person was in a state of undress and specified areas of the person's body were not covered. Does not apply to a person who provides the law enforcement agency with a written waiver to release the video recording without any redactions.

HB 2152 passed the Senate Rules Committee on March 16, 2021.

- **HB 2161: Tourism Marketing Authorities (Rep. Kaiser; Phoenix)** This bill establishes a new chapter in Title 9 (Cities and Towns) and a new chapter in Title 11

(Counties) allowing the governing body of one or more municipalities and/or of a county with a population of less than 2 million persons (all but Maricopa County) to adopt a resolution, on presentation of a petition signed by the owners of at least 67 percent of the transient lodging rooms in the geographic area, forming a tourism marketing authority to promote and enhance tourism in that geographic area. Establishes powers and duties of a tourism marketing authority, including authorization to levy an assessment of up to \$5 per room on transient lodging rooms sold per night. A tourism marketing authority is governed by a board of directors, and budgeting, recordkeeping and reporting requirements for the board are specified. Establishes a process for termination of a tourism marketing authority. Emergency clause.

HB 2161 passed the House on March 3, 2021 and was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee on March 10, 2021.

- **HB 2293: Vehicle Impoundment; Exceptions; Storage Charges (Rep. Payne; Peoria)** This bill dictates that the list of reasons for which a peace officer is required to cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle is expanded to include if the peace officer determines that the person's driving privilege is suspended for any reason except for failure to pay a civil penalty or failure to appear as directed for a scheduled court appearance. A peace officer who needs to be present at an emergency is not required to remove, immobilize or impound a vehicle. The minimum amount of time a vehicle must be immobilized or impounded is decreased to 20 days, from 30 days.

HB 2293 Senate adopted conference report #5126; awaits House adoption and final reading in both houses. May 6, 2021.

- **HB 2294: Yielding to Emergency Vehicles; Penalties (Rep. Payne; Peoria)** This bill requires that a person who violates the requirement to move over or slow down when approaching a stationary vehicle displaying flashing lights or warning lights is subject to a civil penalty of \$275 for a first violation, \$500 for a second violation, and \$1,000 for a third or subsequent violation.

HB 2294 was signed by the Governor on April 28, 2021.

- **HB 2295: Law Enforcement Officers; Database; Rules (Rep. Payne; Peoria)** This bill dictates that "prosecuting agency" is prohibited from placing a law enforcement officer's name in a "rule 15.1 database," or Brady List, unless the officer is given at least 10 days prior written notice by mail or email to the officer's current or last known employment address. Information that must be included in the written notice is listed, including information on the right to request reconsideration of the allegations and placement in the database. If an officer submits a request for reconsideration, and the reconsideration is approved on its merits, the officer's name must be removed from the database. A prosecuting agency that maintains a rule 15.1 database is required to adopt a policy that includes specified provisions, including the criteria used to place a law enforcement officer's name in the database and the notice requirements of this legislation. A law enforcement agency is

prohibited from using the placement of an officer's name in a rule 15.1 database as the sole reason for taking a list of employment actions against the officer.

HB 2295 was signed by the Governor on May 7, 2021.

- **HB 2372: Agricultural Operations; Nuisance; Liability (Rep. Dunn; Yuma)** This bill repeals and replaces all statutes governing nuisance liability for agricultural operations. It articulates that a nuisance action cannot be filed against an agricultural operation conducted on farmland unless a list of specified conditions apply. Establishes a rebuttable presumption that an agricultural operation conducted on farmland is not a public or private nuisance, which may be overcome by a preponderance of the evidence that the operation is violating applicable federal, state or local laws and regulations. The circumstances under which agricultural operations conducted on farmland may be regulated or considered to be a nuisance are a matter of statewide concern and this legislation supersedes any municipal ordinance.

HB 2372 was retained on House COW calendar on February 23, 2021.

- **HB 2423: Immunizations; Exemption; Requirements (Rep. Carroll; Sun City West)** This bill mandates that a person who is required to receive an immunization for any purpose, including as a condition of employment, school attendance or obtaining any license, certification or degree, is allowed to claim an exemption from the immunization requirement if there is not a vaccine that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration available to fulfill the requirement that also meets all of a list of specified criteria, including that the risk of permanent disability or death from the vaccine has been proven to be less than that caused by the infection it is intended to prevent. A person may claim the exemption on the person's own behalf or on behalf of the person's child or dependent.

HB 2423 was referred to the House Health and Human Services Committee on January 26, 2021.

- **HB 2481: Short-Term Rentals; Enforcement; Penalties (Rep. Kavanaugh; Fountain Hills)** This bill modifies the list of regulations that counties and municipalities are authorized to impose on vacation rentals or short-term rentals to include requiring the owner of a vacation rental or short-term rental to license or register with the county or municipality, and restricting the occupancy of a vacation rental or short-term rental to the lesser of the occupancy limit of the county or municipality or 2 adults per bedroom plus 2 additional adults. Vacation rentals and short-term rentals cannot advertise to exceed the occupancy limit of the dwelling or for any nonresidential use. Counties and municipalities are authorized to impose a civil penalty for each day a property is in violation of this advertisement prohibition. An online lodging operator that falsifies information to an online lodging marketplace is guilty of a petty offense. A county or municipality cannot prohibit the operation of a vacation rental or short-term rental based solely on its status as a vacation rental or short-term rental if the owner of the vacation rental or short-term rental, as of May 1, 2021, has a valid transaction privilege tax license, and as of June 2, 2021, has provided the owner's or the owner's designee's contact information to the county or

municipality in which the vacation rental or short-term rental is located, if required by ordinance.

HB 2481 passed the House Government and Elections Committee on February 11, 2021.

- **HB 2482: Regulation; Short-Term Rentals (Rep. Kavanaugh; Fountain Hills)**

This bill modifies the list of regulations that counties and municipalities are authorized to impose on vacation rentals or short-term rentals to include: requiring contact information for the owner of the rental to be posted on the front door or in another location on the property that is visible and accessible to the public; restricting the maximum number of adult occupants allowed on the property at one time to the lesser of the occupancy limit established by the county or municipality or no more than 2 adults per bedroom, up to 4 bedrooms, plus 2 additional adults per 1,000 square feet of livable space in excess of 3,000 square feet of livable space; requiring the installation of safety and monitoring equipment that monitors and detects noise and notifies the owner if noise is unreasonable or in violation of a noise ordinance; prohibiting smoking outside within 100 feet of a residential structure; restricting occupants from checking in without the presence of the owner or the owner's designee; and prohibiting occupants from parking on public or private streets if on-property parking is available. Vacation rentals and short-term rentals cannot advertise to exceed the occupancy limit of the dwelling or for any nonresidential use, and are required to display the transaction privilege tax license in any online advertisement for rental of the unit. Establishes penalties for violations.

HB 2482 was referred to the House Government and Elections Committee on January 27, 2021.

- **HB 2515: Electronic Smoking Devices; Tobacco Sales (Rep. Butler; Phoenix)**

This bill makes it unlawful for a person to sell, give or furnish a tobacco product to a person who is under the minimum age of sale for tobacco products as set by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, instead of for a person to sell or furnish tobacco products to minors. For the purposes this prohibition and statutes regulating tobacco sales, the definition of "tobacco products" is expanded to include any product containing, made of or derived from tobacco or nicotine and that is intended for human consumption, and to include an "electronic smoking device" (defined) and any substance that may be aerosolized or vaporized by the device, whether or not it contains nicotine, and any component, part, or accessory that is used in the consumption of these products. Before distributing any tobacco product, a retail tobacco vendor or the vendor's representative or employee is required to verify that the purchaser is at least the minimum age of sale for tobacco products as set by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Establishes civil penalties for violations. The Department of Health Services (DHS) is required to conduct at least two unannounced compliance checks on a retail tobacco vendor annually. Beginning January 1, 2023, a retail tobacco vendor is prohibited from distributing tobacco products in Arizona without a valid tobacco retail sales license from DHS. DHS is required to establish fees for licenses.

HB 2515 was referred to the House Health and Human Services Committee on January 28, 2021.

- **HB 2524: Counties; Cities; Towns; COVID Expenditures (Rep. Kavanaugh; Sun City West)** This bill requires that by September 1, 2021, each county and municipality is required to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature of all expenditures made in FY2019-20 and FY2020-21 from each "COVID-related federal or state fund source" (defined). Specific information that must be included in the report is listed.

HB 2524 was held in the House Government and Elections Committee on February 3, 2021.

- **HB 2602: Tobacco; Retail; Licensing (Rep. Blackman; Snowflake)** This bill prohibits a retail tobacco vendor from distributing "tobacco products" (defined to include "electronic smoking devices") in Arizona without a valid tobacco retail sales license issued by the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC). DLLC is required to establish fees for a tobacco retail sales license and is prohibited from issuing a license until the vendor has obtained the required local license. It is unlawful for a retail tobacco vendor or a retail tobacco vendor's representative, agent or employee to sell, furnish, give or provide a tobacco product to a person who is under the minimum age of sale for tobacco products as set by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and requirements for verifying photo identification are specified. Establishes penalties for violations, including attendance at an education class and graduated fines ranging from \$500 to \$3,000. For a second or subsequent violation, the court is required to prohibit the vendor from distributing tobacco products for a specified time period. DLLC is required to adopt rules to carry out retail tobacco vendor regulations and is authorized to delegate the enforcement and compliance inspections to any county that accepts the delegation. Establishes the Tobacco Retail Sales Licensing Fund, consisting of licensing fees collected, to be administered by DLLC.

HB 2602 was referred to the House Health and Human Services Committee on February 3, 2021.

- **HB 2770: Mask Mandates; Business Exception (Rep. Chaplik; Fountain Hills)** The bill states that a business in Arizona is not required to enforce on its premises a mask mandate that is established by the state, a city, town or county or any other jurisdiction of this state.

HB 2770 was signed by the Governor on April 9, 2021.

- **HB 2772/SB 1797: Fantasy Sports Betting; Event Wagering (Rep. Weninger; Chandler; Sen. Shope; Coolidge)** This bill makes numerous changes to statutes relating to gaming, including establishing a new chapter in Title 5 regulating "fantasy sports contests," conditionally enacted on each Indian Tribe with a gaming facility in Pima County and in the Phoenix metropolitan area entering into a 2021 Gaming Compact Amendment and publishing in the federal register notice of the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's approval or approval by operation of law. An individual who is licensed by the Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG) is authorized to offer one or more fantasy sports contests if specified conditions apply, including that the

individual collects no more than \$10,000 in total entry fees for all fantasy sports contests offered in a calendar year, at least 95 percent of which are awarded to the fantasy sports contest players.

HB 2772 was substituted in Senate for identical bill 1797 on April 12, 2021 and was signed by the Governor on April 15, 2021. SB 1797 was approved by the Senate COW on April 12, 2021.

- **HB 2773: Spiritous Liquor; Delivery; Off-Sale Permits (Rep. Weninger; Chandler)** This bill states that bar liquor licensees are authorized to take orders for beer, wine or mixed cocktails by telephone, mail, catalog, or internet for delivery off the licensed premises. Restaurant liquor licensees that hold specified permits are authorized to take orders for beer or mixed cocktails by telephone, mail, catalog, or internet for delivery off the licensed premises. The liquor licensee is allowed to maintain a delivery service and to contract with one or more third-party licensed facilitators for delivery of spirituous liquor if the spirituous liquor is loaded for delivery at the premises of the restaurant or bar licensee in Arizona and delivered in Arizona. All containers of spirituous liquor that are delivered must be conspicuously labeled with the words "Contains alcohol, signature of person who is twenty-one years of age or older is required for delivery." Delivery must be made by an employee of the licensee or an employee of an authorized third-party facilitator who is at least 21 years of age and delivery must be made to a customer who is at least 21 years of age and who displays identification at the time of delivery. Establishes licensing requirements for third-party facilitators.

HB 2773 passed the Senate Rules Committee on April 6, 2021.

- **SB 1043: Public Safety; Cancer Insurance; Eligibility (Sen. Livingston; Peoria)** This bill requires that The Board of Trustees of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System is required to annually review the premiums required under the Public Safety Cancer Insurance Policy Program to ensure the financial security of the Program. Persons eligible for coverage under the Program remain eligible upon retirement for the statutorily specified time periods, regardless of whether the person has a cancer diagnosis.

SB 1043 passed the Senate Rules Committee on January 26, 2021.

- **SB 1062: Engineering Definitions (Sen. Mesnard; Chandler)** This bill dictates that for the purpose of Board of Technical Registration statutes, the definition of "engineering practice" is modified, including specifying that the service or work must be to the extent that the engineering education, training and experience requirements for professional registration are necessary to protect the public health, safety or welfare. Also modifies the definition of "engineer" and defines "professional engineer."

SB 1062 was signed by the Governor on March 18, 2021.

- **SB 1076: Low-Income Multifamily Housing; Valuation (Sen. Livingston; Peoria)** This bill requires that the owner of "low-income multifamily residential rental

property" (defined) is authorized to elect a statutory income method for valuing the property. The calculation for this valuation method is established. Requirements for a property owner to elect this valuation method are specified, including documentation requirements. Low-income multifamily residential rental properties that are valued using this method are classified as class four property for property tax purposes.

SB 1076 Senate concurred in House amendments and passed on final reading on May 4, 2021. Ready for Governor.

- **SB 1103: Strike Everything Amendment (Sen. Mesnard; Chandler)** This bill makes significant changes to the regulatory scheme for tobacco and vaping products throughout the state, including implementing licensure for sales through the Department of Liquor Licensing and Control, changing the statutory age for tobacco purchase to 21, setting penalties for violations, and establishing a tobacco retail sales licensing fund.

SB 1103 passed the Senate Appropriations and Rules Committees on February 24, 2021.

- **SB 1257: State Liquor Board; Membership (Sen. Mesnard; Chandler)** This bill requires one of the five members of the State Liquor Board with no financial interest in business licensed to deal with spirituous liquors to be a current or former elected municipal official. Session law allows current Board members to continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms.

SB 1257 was signed by the Governor on April 9, 2021.

- **SB 1334: Fireworks; Aerial Displays (Sen. Gowan; Sierra Vista)** This bill expands the definition of "permissible consumer fireworks" in a county with a population of more than 500,000 persons is expanded to include "multiple-tube aerial devices" (defined as specified mine and shell devices and multiple tube fireworks devices and pyrotechnic articles that are defined in an American Pyrotechnics Association rule, with some exclusions).

SB 1334 passed the Senate Commerce Committee on February 10, 2021.

- **SB 1377: Civil Liability; Public Health Pandemic (Sen. Leach; Tucson)** This bill states that if the Governor declares a state of emergency for a public health pandemic, a person or provider that acts in good faith to protect a person or the public from injury from the pandemic is not liable for damages in any civil action for any injury, death or loss to person or property that is based on a claim that the person or provider failed to protect the person or the public from the effects of the pandemic, unless it is proven by clear and convincing evidence that the person or provider failed to act or acted with willful misconduct or gross negligence. A person or provider is presumed to have acted in good faith if the person or provider adopted and implemented reasonable policies related to the pandemic. If the Governor declares a state of emergency for a public health pandemic, a health professional or health care institution that acts in good faith is not liable for damages in any civil

action for an injury or death that is alleged to be caused by the health professional's or health care institution's action or omission while providing health care services in support of Arizona's response to the state of emergency declared by the Governor, unless it is proven by clear and convincing evidence that the professional or institution failed to act or acted with willful misconduct or gross negligence. Applies to all claims filed before or after the effective date of this legislation for an act or omission that occurred on or after March 11, 2020 relating to a pandemic that is the subject of the state of emergency declared by the Governor. Does not apply to workers' compensation claims.

SB 1377 was signed by the Governor on April 5, 2021.

- **SB 1379: Vacation Rentals; Short-Term Rentals; Enforcement (Sen. Mesnard; Chandler)** This bill modifies the list of regulations that counties and municipalities are authorized to impose on vacation rentals or short-term rentals to include restricting the occupancy of a vacation rental or short-term rental to 2 adults per bedroom, up to 4 bedrooms, plus 2 additional adults per 1,000 square feet of livable space in excess of 3,000 square feet of livable space, and requiring the owner of a vacation rental or short-term rental to maintain liability insurance appropriate to cover the rental in the aggregate of at least \$500,000 or to advertise and offer each vacation rental or short-term rental through a hosting platform that provides equal or greater coverage. Counties and municipalities are authorized to impose civil penalties for each day a property is in violation of specified provisions. Modifies civil penalties for online lodging operators that fail to comply with applicable transaction privilege tax requirements.

SB 1379 failed to pass the House on April 1, 2021.

- **SB 1409: Zoning Ordinances; Property Rights; Costs (Sen. Petersen; Gilbert)** This bill allows that before adopting any zoning ordinance or zoning ordinance text amendment of general applicability, the legislative body of a municipality is required to consider and adopt an individual property rights cost of housing impact statement regarding the impact of the zoning ordinance, which must include a list of specified information. Municipalities are prohibited from adopting or enforcing a land use regulation that unreasonably increases the cost to construct housing for sale or rent.

SB 1409 passed the House on May 4, 2021. Ready for the Governor.

- **SB 1514: Appropriation; Emergency Shelter Beds; Seniors (Sen. Livingston; Peoria)** This bill appropriates \$5 million from the general fund in FY2021-22 to the Department of Economic Security (DES) for emergency shelter beds in western Maricopa County to shelter and serve homeless seniors who are at least 55 years of age. DES is required to distribute the monies to a single Arizona nonprofit provider that meets a list of specified requirements.

SB 1514 passed the House Appropriations Committee on March 18, 2021.

- **SB 1533 : Obstruction Highways; Racing; Assessment; Impoundment (Sen. Boyer; Glendale)** This bill levies a penalty assessment of \$1,000 on every fine, penalty and forfeiture imposed and collected by the courts for a violation of racing on highways. The assessments are deposited in the newly established Drag Racing Prevention Enforcement Fund, to be used to prevent racing on streets and highways in Arizona. Increases the criminal classification of obstructing a highway to a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor, from a class 3 (lowest) misdemeanor, except that a second or subsequent violation within 24 months is a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor. A person who knowingly aids and abets another person in the commission of a violation of reckless driving or racing on highways is guilty of a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor, except that a second or subsequent violation within 24 months is a class 1 (highest) misdemeanor. Also, a peace officer is required to cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle if the peace officer determines that a person is driving a vehicle in violation of reckless driving or racing on highways.

SB 1533 passed the House Rules Committee on March 23, 2021.
--



City of Phoenix

General Information Packet

Report

Date: 5/13/2021, Item No. 4

For Transmittal, Minutes of the Policy Session Meeting on May 4, 2021

Summary

This item transmits the Minutes of the Policy Session on May 4, 2021.

The Minutes are attached for review as **Attachment A**.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by the City Manager's Office.

ATTACHMENT A



City of Phoenix

Minutes

Meeting Location:
City Council Chambers
200 W. Jefferson St.
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

City Council Policy Session

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

2:30 PM

phoenix.gov

CALL TO ORDER

The Phoenix City Council convened in Policy Session on Tuesday May 4, 2021 at 2:32 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: 9 - Councilwoman Yassamin Ansari, Councilman Sal DiCiccio, Councilwoman Betty Guardado, Councilwoman Ann O'Brien, Councilwoman Laura Pastor, Councilwoman Debra Stark, Councilman Jim Waring, Vice Mayor Carlos Garcia and Mayor Kate Gallego

Councilwoman Pastor joined the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Vice Mayor Garcia joined the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Councilman DiCiccio joined the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

COUNCIL INFORMATION AND FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS

Councilwoman Guardado thanked St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School, the Maricopa County Health Department, University of Arizona College of Public Health, and volunteers from the Valley Interfaith Project for bringing COVID-19 vaccines to residents living in the 85021 zip code. She announced free COVID-19 vaccines were available for residents living in the 85021 zip code at St. Vincent de Paul Church located at 3130 N. 51st Ave. on May 5, May 12, and May 18, 2021. Councilwoman Guardado stated the City's Mobile Testing Van would be at Fry's Food Store on 19th Avenue and Glendale Avenue on May 7, 2021.

Councilwoman Pastor announced the activation of the traffic signal on 45th Avenue and McDowell and the opening of the new homeless dog shelter, "Sit Stay Heal," and recognized Midwestern and Hunkapi Farms for their partnership. She highlighted the new US Vets Hotel and the upcoming Memorial Day Barbeque event. Councilwoman Pastor recognized Stan Cottrell, 78-year-old running sensation, who will be in Phoenix on May 12, 2021 at Encanto Park at 4

p.m. She finished by highlighting Teacher's Day and Teacher Appreciation Week and wished everyone a happy Mother's Day.

Mayor Gallego recognized Councilwoman Pastor for her leadership at the "Sit Stay Heal" event and thanked Councilwoman Guardado for her work to get the community vaccinated. She recognized the Aviation Department for their vaccination event and advertised the Cinco De Mayo vaccine event at the Phoenix Convention Center on May 5, 2021 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. She congratulated Information Technology Services Chief Information Officer Matt Arvay for winning the Arizona Chief Information Officer ORBIE Award and thanked him for his work as he leaves the City of Phoenix. Mayor Gallego recognized John Chan for his time and work while serving as the Acting Deputy City Manager.

CONSENT ACTION

This item is scheduled to allow the City Council to act on the Mayor's recommendations on the Consent Agenda. There was no Consent Agenda for this meeting.

CALL FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

A vote may be held to call an Executive Session for a future date.

REPORTS AND BUDGET UPDATES BY THE CITY MANAGER

There was no report given by the City Manager

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION (ITEM 1)

1 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Budget

Discussion

City Manager Ed Zuercher gave an overview of the City Manager's proposed budget timeline and noted the incorporation of public comment during the trial budget hearings. He recognized the Mayor and Council's leadership and quick action during the pandemic, enabling a proposed budget that addresses employee compensation and community needs. He recognized Assistant City Manager Jeff Barton and Budget and Research Director Amber Williamson for their hard work.

Mr. Barton gave an overview of the proposed budget, five-year forecast,

and a recap of the General Fund budget status.

Ms. Williamson recapped feedback given at the community budget hearings, FundPHX Tool, email, and voicemail. She gave a high-level overview of the General Fund proposed additions and changes, as well as non-General Fund proposed additions. Ms. Williamson highlighted the next steps and noted the property tax adoption on July 1, 2021.

Mayor Gallego thanked the community for their input on the proposed budget and staff for their work and expressed support for the budget.

Councilwoman Guardado thanked staff for their hard work and advocated for increased funding for parks in District 5. She noted her support for the Community Assistance Program (CAP) and advocated for a public health office.

Councilwoman Ansari recognized the City of Phoenix's work to deliver services throughout the pandemic and to develop new programs to address equity. She expressed support for the Climate Change and Heat Readiness, CAP, new park funding, and transportation improvements.

Councilwoman Stark expressed support for funds allocated for employee compensation increases, comprehensive roadway safety plan, affordable housing and homelessness, CAP, cool pavement projects, and Fast Track Cities.

Vice Mayor Garcia noted efforts to increase engagement with residents during the pandemic. He advocated more funds be allocated to develop the CAP program and for effective oversight. Vice Mayor Garcia expressed concerns about increased funds allocated to the Police Department and suggested the funds go to other community programs, noting the increased funds from recreational marijuana. He expressed support for Heat Response and Mitigation, Parks and Recreation, Arts and Culture, Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the Public Health Expert.

Councilwoman Pastor thanked staff for their work on the budget and

expressed support for the investment in City of Phoenix employees, veterans, CAP, and Fast Track Cities. She advocated for a tele-health platform for the CAP.

Councilwoman O'Brien thanked staff and Council for their hard work. She expressed support for employee compensation, College Depot, veteran assistance, small businesses, and CAP.

Councilwoman Ansari asked about the timeline and process of establishing the CAP and how it could be a stand-alone program funded outside of public safety.

Mr. Barton replied the CAP program had operated out of the Fire Department since 1995 and was largely based on grant-funded positions. He stated the CAP expansion would take a phased approach with an estimated rollout of 18-24 months. Mr. Barton noted the first stage would be to build up the program and handle the current call volume and slowly transition calls from the Police Department to the CAP dispatcher. He stated the second phase would be to work with a third-party consultant to develop a process map and identify best practices to hire a private provider to serve as a behavioral health unit. He stated the program would have community engagement and would require continuous evaluation and data collection before being moved on its own.

Councilwoman Pastor asked how the CAP positions are funded.

Mr. Barton responded the program has 40 full-time equivalent positions, 12 of which were paid for by the General Fund. He stated the grant funds fluctuate and the General Funds would ensure the positions were secured.

Councilwoman Pastor asked how many positions would be allocated for the build-out of CAP.

Mr. Barton replied in excess of 130 positions would be needed.

Councilwoman Pastor highlighted the importance of community input to ensure a successful program.

Vice Mayor Garcia asked if the proposed 75 positions to the Police Department could be added to another City department instead, due to the potential decrease in need from the legalization of marijuana.

Mr. Barton noted the positions require access to the Public Safety databases and require a background check and polygraph test. He stated it would need to be evaluated whether it made sense for the positions to be employed outside the Police Department. Mr. Barton highlighted staff reductions in the Police Department since the Great Recession.

Vice Mayor Garcia asked if the marijuana tax would increase the General Fund.

Mr. Barton responded the estimated impact to the General Fund was \$22 to \$25 million. He noted a forthcoming conversation to allocate funds from the marijuana tax at a later date.

Vice Mayor Garcia asked how transportation needs discussed at the budget hearings could be addressed.

Mr. Barton referred to the Council Report addressing the transportation issues, expansion of routes, and circulators. He stated General Funds could not be substituted with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and that transit services require revenue to run. He noted opportunities to offer subsidies with ARPA funds for a short period of time.

Vice Mayor Garcia asked how individuals experiencing addiction and substance abuse could be assisted.

Mr. Barton replied rehabilitation centers require licensing and noted it would be best to contract with facilities that provide the service on behalf of the City. He stated ARPA funds could be used but reiterated ARPA funds were only available for a short period of time and replacement funds would be needed to maintain services.

Vice Mayor Garcia asked why the labor negotiations were done behind closed doors and how they could be opened to the public.

Mr. Zuercher stated most contracts are negotiated outside the public view to allow for open communication. He stated labor negotiations in a public setting could change the dynamic of negotiations. Mr. Zuercher mentioned that negotiations have been conducted outside a public meeting for 40 years, but the Mayor and Council could direct the City to explore how labor negotiations are conducted.

Vice Mayor Garcia requested the Council explore public labor negotiations.

Mayor Gallego opened the floor for public comment.

Linda Abegg thanked staff, the Council, and Mayor Gallego for their work with the community and for adding more parks in the proposed budget.

Jon Altmann thanked staff and Council for their addition to veterans in the proposed budget.

Jeff Christian expressed concerns about defunding the Police and noted the benefits of retaining a full staff.

P.J. Dean expressed support for the CAP and asked the CAP to remain in public safety.

Anne Ender expressed support for the proposed budget and funds earmarked for police.

Aimee Esposito expressed support for the Climate Change and Heat Readiness program.

AJ Marsden spoke in support of the proposed budget and advocated for public safety and the gated alley program.

Tabitha Myers spoke in support of the proposed budget for the Climate Change and Heat Readiness, the Tree Administrator position, and affordable housing and homelessness.

Carol Olson spoke in support of the CAP and advocated public health professionals be involved when responding to 911 calls.

Mark Rodriguez spoke in support of the funds allocated to Parks.

Diana Yazzie Devine expressed support of the CAP and advocated data be used to inform public safety decisions.

Stephanie Arreguin spoke in opposition of the CAP being located in public safety departments.

Blake Benard expressed opposition to the proposed budget because the CAP does not reflect the needs of the community.

Eric Brickley spoke in opposition of the proposed budget and advocated fully funded transition service for people experiencing homelessness and an independent crisis response department.

Lucia Corral spoke in opposition of the proposed budget and advocated for a community center in south Phoenix at Estrella Village.

Hava Derby spoke in opposition of the proposed budget and advocated the CAP be fully funded separate from public safety.

Eric Elmore expressed opposition to the proposed budget and advocated the Council implement Neighborhood-Organized Crisis Assistance Program (NOCAP) recommendations.

Cynthia Garcia spoke in opposition to the proposed budget due to the limited funds allocated to the CAP.

Viridiana Hernandez expressed opposition to the proposed budget and advocated funds for the Police Department be reduced and the labor negotiations to be held publicly.

Chelsea Hickok spoke in opposition to the proposed budget due to monies earmarked for the Police Department and asked funds from public safety be reallocated to community projects.

Laurel Langmade thanked staff for the additional budget allocations to Public Works and Street Transportation and advocated funds be used to create smaller shelters away from the Human Services Center, City enforcement of illegal dumping.

Benjamin Lewis spoke in opposition to the proposed budget and requested the public be allowed in closed door labor negotiations and funds be taken away from the Police Department.

Tina Luna expressed opposition regarding the proposed budget due to the funds allocated to the Police Department.

Samuel Merten spoke in opposition to the proposed budget due to the funds earmarked to the Police Department.

Jacob Raiford spoke in opposition to the proposed budget due to the funds earmarked to the Police Department and CAP.

Amy Meglio expressed opposition to the proposed budget due to the lack of funds earmarked for CAP and asked \$20 million be allocated to the CAP.

Nancy Ibarra asked a bus circulator and community center be funded in the 85043 zip code in Estrella Village.

Thomas Machowicz expressed opposition to the proposed budget and asked funds be used for mental health services, be taken away from the Police Department, and the labor negotiations be opened to the public.

Brenda Montoya advocated funds be allocated to create a bus circulator and community center in the 85043 zip code in Estrella Village.

Councilwoman Ansari asked for more information and a timeline on the bus circulator in Estrella Village.

Deputy City Manager Mario Paniagua introduced Public Transit Director Jesus Sapien.

Mr. Sapien stated residents in the community were asked about their needs and a community assessment was completed. He stated the City was working with the community group and proposing three different routing plans. Mr. Sapien stated that based on the current route proposal, two new vehicles would be necessary and noted the delay in obtaining vehicles due to the pandemic.

Councilwoman Pastor asked if staff could provide a timeline and estimated costs to implement a circulator.

Mr. Sapien replied that each bus costs approximately \$100,000 and there was a need for two circulators. He stated staff was meeting to develop several plans that need to be finalized, noting the challenges the industry is facing with semiconductor shortages.

This item was discussed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gallego declared the meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

For further information, please call the Management Intern, City Manager's Office, at 602-262-4449.



Electronic and Voicemail Budget Comments and the Third 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Trial Budget FundPHX Report

This report transmits resident budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department from May 5 through May 10, 2021, as well as the third 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Trial Budget FundPHX report, reflecting submissions received from April 1 through May 10, 2021.

Summary

Prior to final adoption of the 2021-22 proposed budget, staff provides City Council regular updates on feedback received from the community including comments from the 14 Virtual Community Budget Hearings held April 2 - 20, 2021, data collected through the FundPHX tool, and weekly budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department via phone and email.

FundPHX is an online budget tool designed to educate and engage the public on the City's annual budget process. The tool is available in both English and Spanish, and gives residents an opportunity to provide feedback on the budget and share community priorities with staff. For the month of April, the tool provides information on the 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Trial Budget additions. Between April 1 and May 10, 2021, staff received a total of 39 Trial Budget FundPHX submittals and there were 428 interactive page views. The Trial Budget FundPHX report includes proposed additions identified by seven categories, including:

- Employee Compensation (\$118.0M);
- Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness (\$21.0M);
- COVID Response and Resiliency (\$2.6M);
- Climate Change and Heat Readiness (\$2.8M);
- Affordable Housing and Homelessness (\$2.7M);
- Building Community and Responding to Growth (\$2.9M); and
- Administrative Accountability (\$3.0M).

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 directly by the Budget and Research Department between May 5 and May 10. Also included are comments received through the Trial Budget FundPHX tool between May 5 and May 10, 2021.

Comments for additional funding/support of the budget:

- (17) additional funding for Police officers, 911 operators and civilian hiring and training.
- (1) additional funding for Human Services, workforce development, childcare and senior programs.
- (1) additional funding for programs assisting individuals experiencing homelessness.

Attachment A transmits a summary of resident budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department from May 5 through May 10, 2021. **Attachment B** is the third 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Trial Budget FundPHX report, reflecting submissions received from April 1 through May 10, 2021.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Ed Zuercher and the Budget and Research Department.



City of Phoenix

To: Ed Zuercher
City Manager

Date: May 11, 2021

From: Amber Williamson
Budget and Research Director

Subject: RESIDENT BUDGET COMMENTS

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

Attachment A transmits a summary of these comments for May 5 - 11, 2021, as well as social media statistics for May 5-10, 2021. Total cumulative social media statistics for March 1 to May 10, 2021 are also provided.

At <http://www.phoenix.gov/budget>, residents can access the 2021-22 City Manager's Proposed Budget presented to the City Council on May 4, 2021, minutes from the 14 Virtual Community Budget Hearings held from April 2 - 20, 2021, and other budget information.

At the Virtual Community Budget Hearing webpage, <http://www.phoenix.gov/budget/hearings>, residents can view the following:

- A link to the [FundPHX Budgeting Tool](#)
- The Budget Hearing presentation video in English and Spanish
- YouTube videos from each of the Virtual Community Budget Hearings.

ATTACHMENT A
VOICEMAIL, ELECTRONIC, AND WRITTEN BUDGET COMMENTS
RESPONDED TO MAY 5 - 11, 2021

Emails

1. Gary Rooker sent an email to express support for the proposed budget increase for Police Officers and recommended the increase be allocated to add additional Police Officer positions and to improve screening and training of Officers.
2. Frank J. Walker emailed to express support for the proposed budget increase for the Police Department, hiring more Officers, and reducing Police overtime.
3. Van Buren sent an email to express support for the proposed budget for the Police Department.
4. Donna M. Spence sent an email to express support for the proposed budget for the Police Department.
5. Lori Walker sent an email to express support for the proposed increase to the Police Department budget.
6. Robert Barkley emailed to express support for full funding of the Phoenix Police Department.
7. John Degnan emailed to express support for the proposed budget increase for the Police Department.
8. Donald Fanning sent an email to express support for increasing the budget for the Police Department to add more sworn and civilian Police positions and for additional resources for a civilian only program for responding to mental and behavioral health calls for service.
9. Joan M. Munzinger sent an email to express support for fully-funding the Police budget and for funding more Police training and 911 Operator positions.
10. Steve Campbell emailed to express support for funding for the Police Department.
11. John Denman sent an email expressing support of the Police Department's budget.
12. Ronald Lukas sent an email expressing support of the Police Department's budget.

13. Mike Peel sent an email expressing support for the 2021-22 Trial Budget, specifically those items related to climate change and heat readiness.

Voicemails

There were no voicemails received related to the budget.

Social media statistics from May 5 - 10, 2021, are as follows:

The City's advertising and social media posting on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube concluded after the last virtual budget hearing on April 20th.

-9 Total Twitter Replies Received

Total Cumulative Social media statistics from March 16, 2021 - May 10, 2021 are as follows:

176 Total City of Phoenix Tweets (across three City accounts, including the City's bilingual account).

-362 Replies (Comments)

-208 "Likes"

-92 Retweets

35 City of Phoenix Facebook Posts

-65,899 Users reached

-212 Reactions

-93 Link clicks

14 City of Phoenix YouTube videos posted

-2,471 Total views

Respectfully Submitted,

Genevieve Siri
Management Assistant II

Stacey Obal
Management Assistant II



City of Phoenix

FundPHX Monthly Report

2021-22 City Manager's Trial Budget

Executive Summary

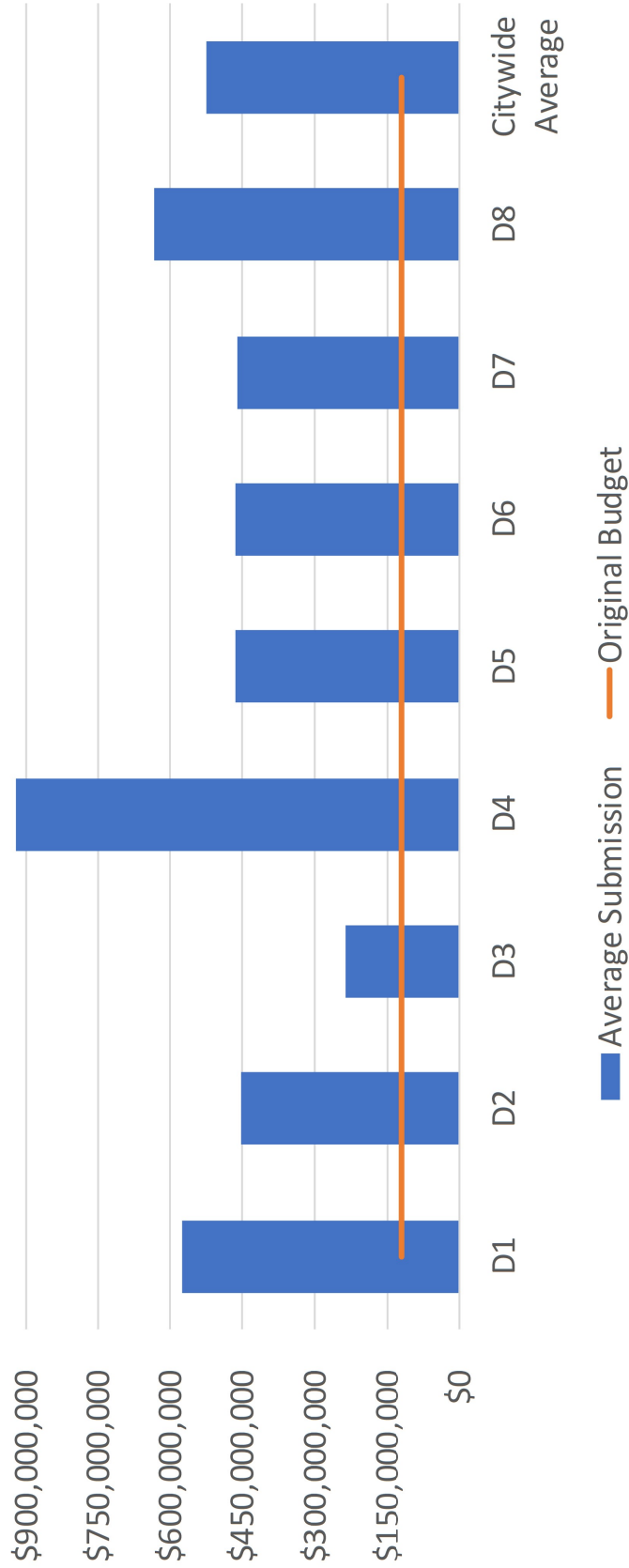
FundPHX is an online budget tool designed to educate and engage the public in the city's annual budget process. The tool, updated April 1, 2021, with the proposed 2021-22 General Fund Trial Budget of \$153 million gives residents an opportunity to provide feedback on current funding levels and share community priorities with city staff. Between April 1 and May 10, 2021, staff received 39 City Manager's Trial Budget FundPHX submissions, including six responses from District 1, four responses from District 2, two responses from District 3, nine responses from District 4, four responses from District 5, four responses for District 6, four responses from District 7, and six responses from District 8. The report provides submissions by category and for each proposed item included in the Trial Budget. Comments received via FundPHX are also responded to by Budget and Research staff as appropriate.

Table of Contents

Employee Compensation	1
Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness	2
COVID Response and Resiliency.....	17
Climate Change and Heat Readiness.....	28
Affordable Housing and Homelessness.....	35
Building Community and Responding to Growth.....	44
Administrative Accountability.....	63
Share Your Own Budget Priorities.....	77



Employee Compensation



	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	Citywide Average
Average Submission	\$574,938,000	\$450,723,000	\$236,600,000	\$922,740,000	\$463,736,000	\$463,736,000	\$460,187,000	\$632,905,000	\$525,695,625
Original Budget	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000	\$118,300,000
Average Net Change	\$456,638,000	\$332,423,000	\$118,300,000	\$804,440,000	\$345,436,000	\$345,436,000	\$341,887,000	\$514,605,000	\$407,395,625

number of submissions (N) = 39

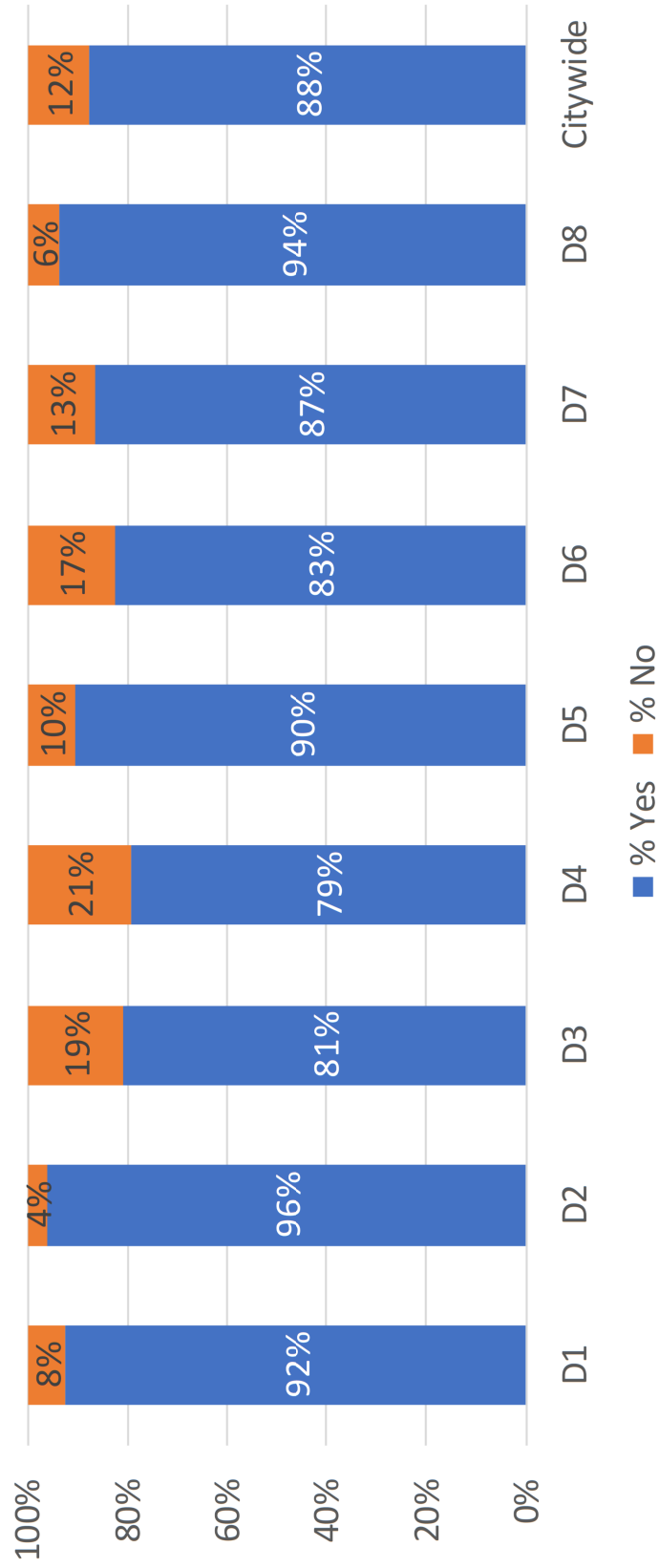


City of Phoenix

FundPHX Monthly Report

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness: \$20,510,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness category, by district

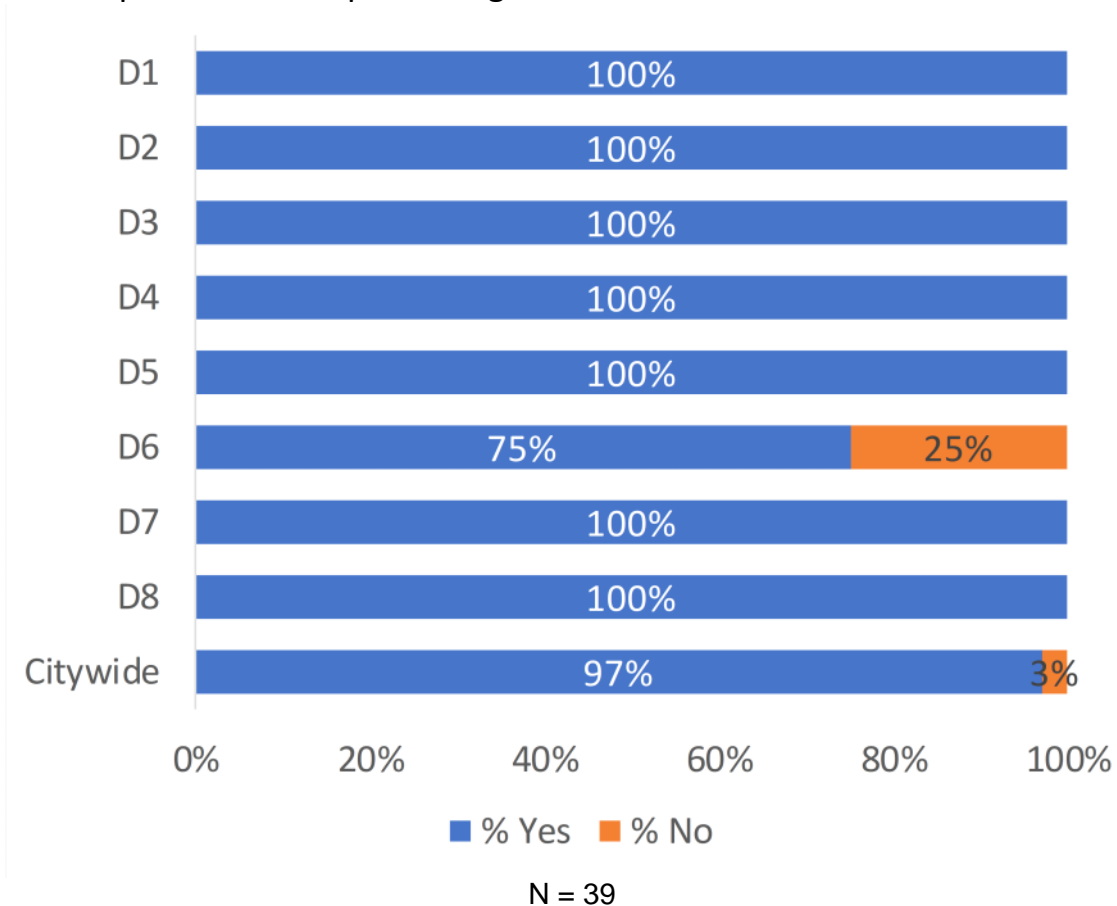


number of submissions (N) = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Fire - Paramedic Training: \$382,000

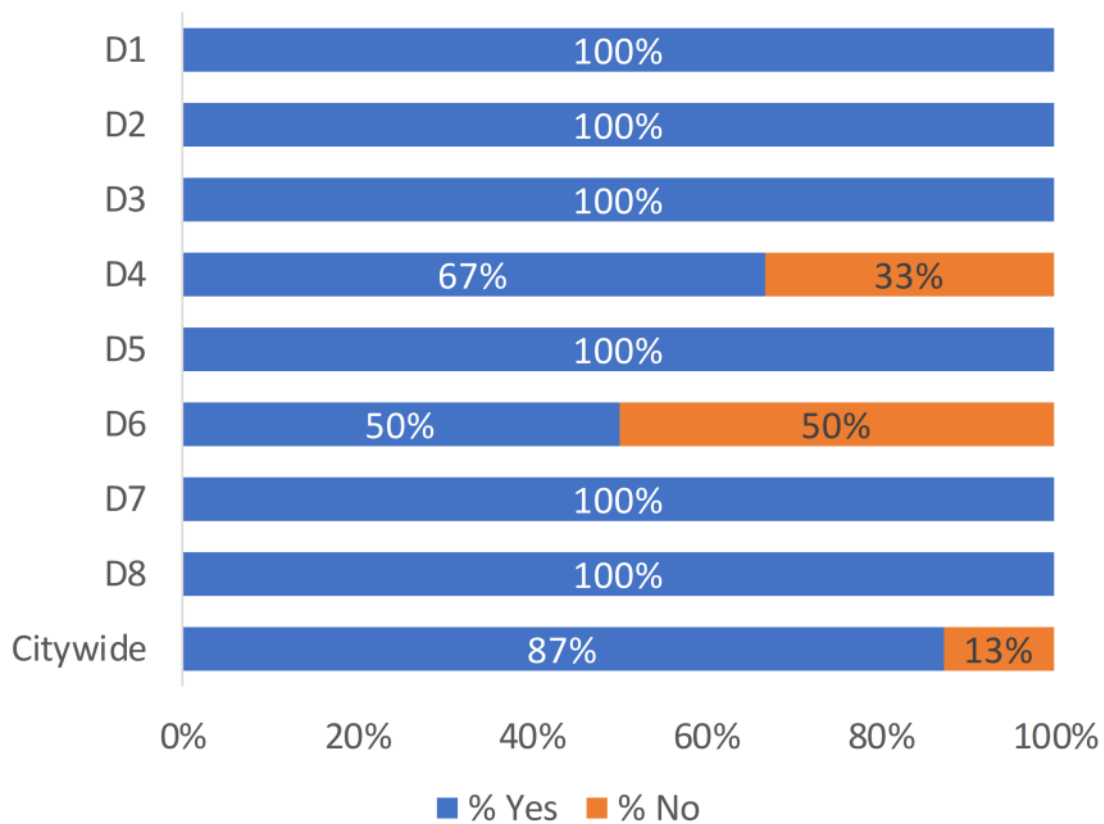
Add funding for two Paramedic Training Coordinators and one Admin Aide positions. These positions will support current and future programs of Emergency Medical Services, including the addition and implementation of a new electronic patient care reporting (EPCR) system. These positions will restore previously eliminated positions from prior budget reductions.



Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Fire - Radio Repair: \$260,000

Add funding for one User Technology Specialist to support the maintenance and repair of radios used by Firefighters. Add funding for one Admin Aide to provide administrative support to the Phoenix Fire Regional Dispatch Center. The one-time costs include one vehicle, technology equipment, and office space reconfiguration.

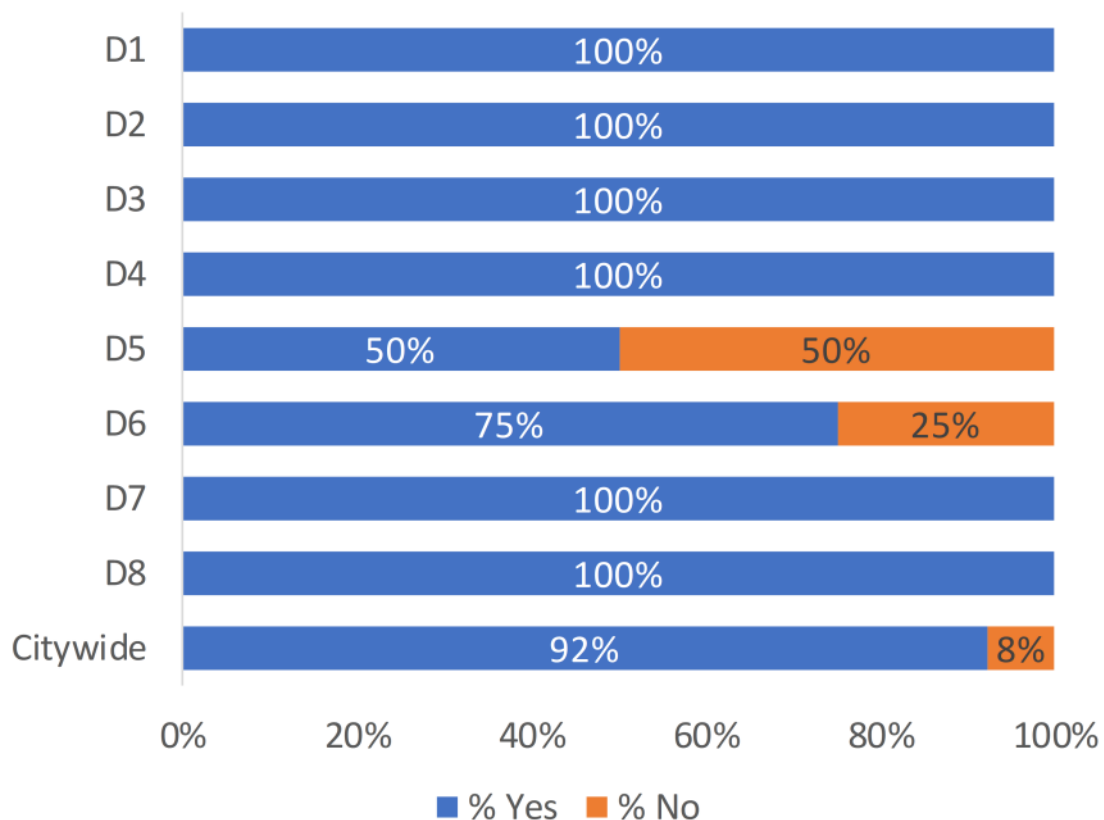


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Fire - Crisis Response: \$15,000,000

Expand the City of Phoenix Community Assistance Program in order to provide additional resources for responding to behavioral, mental health, and crisis response calls-for-service received by the Fire and Police departments. The one-time cost represents a set-aside for the phased-in approach of the program expansion, across two to three years. The ongoing cost represents the estimated staff and equipment that will be implemented the first year of the expansion.

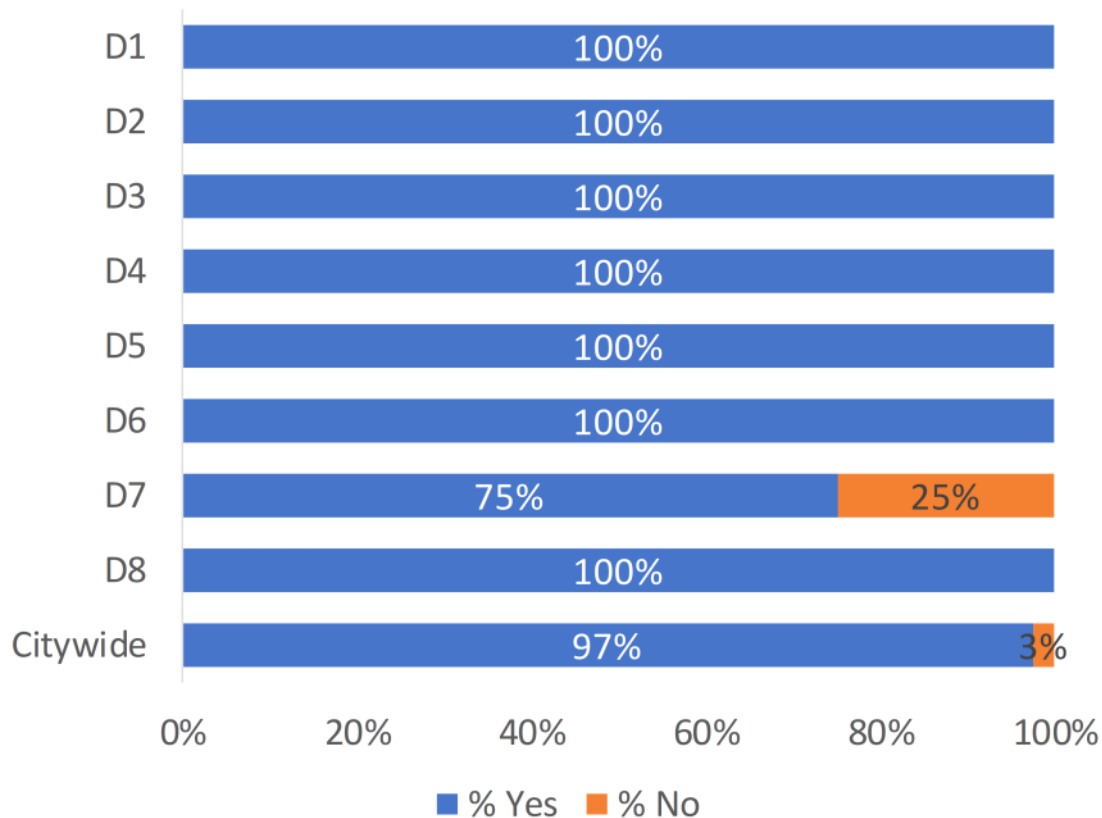


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Fire - Fire Dispatch: \$87,000

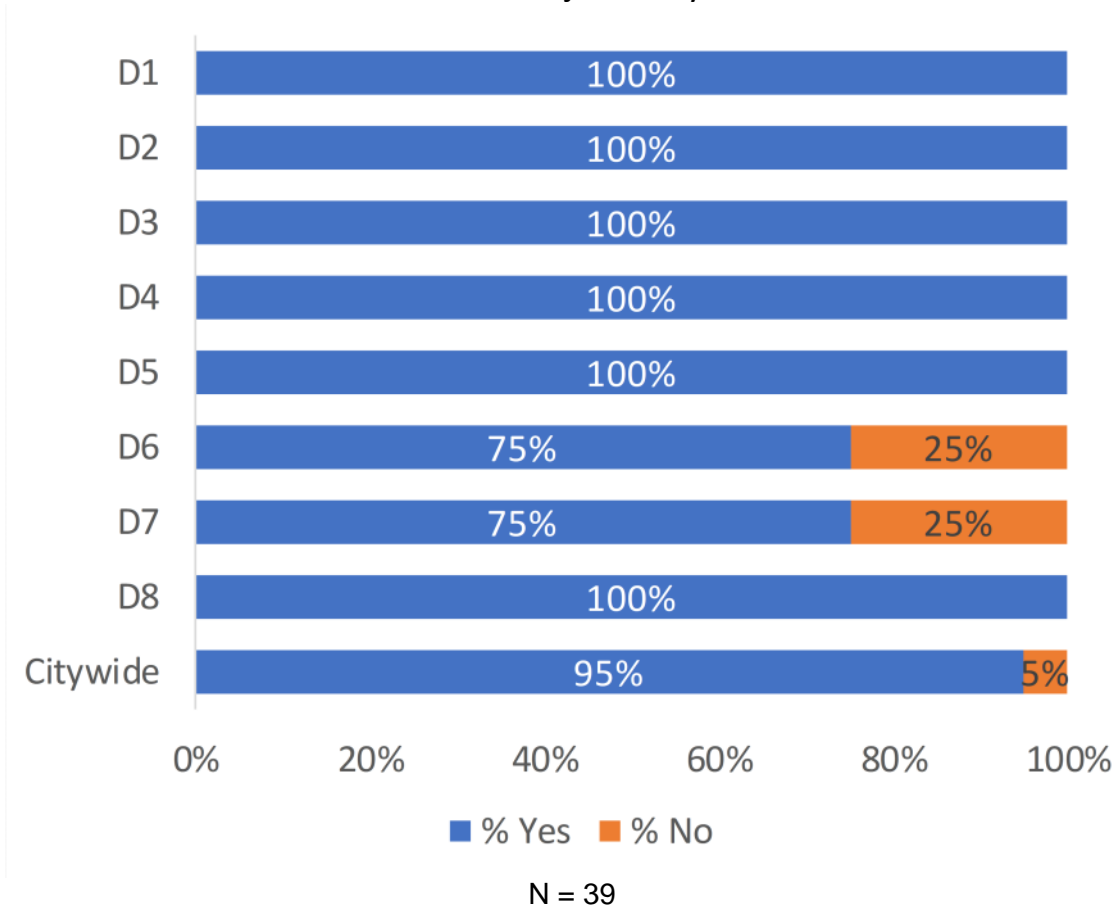
Add funding for 10 new positions consisting of two Fire Communications Supervisors, two Fire Emergency Dispatcher Leads, and six Fire Emergency Dispatchers for the Phoenix Fire Regional Dispatch Center (PFDRDC), which provides 9-1-1, fire, and medical emergency call-taking and dispatching services for the City of Phoenix and 26 other jurisdictions. Funding is shared between the City of Phoenix (50%) and the 26 partner jurisdictions (50%). In FY 2020-21, the City Council approved eight positions fully-funded by the City of Phoenix, with the shared cost beginning in FY 2021-22. The FY 2021-22 cost shown represents additional funding needed for one position, since eight are already funded in the General Fund. The cost of the remaining nine positions will be paid for by the partner cities.



Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Human Services - Traumatic Incident Liaison: \$93,000

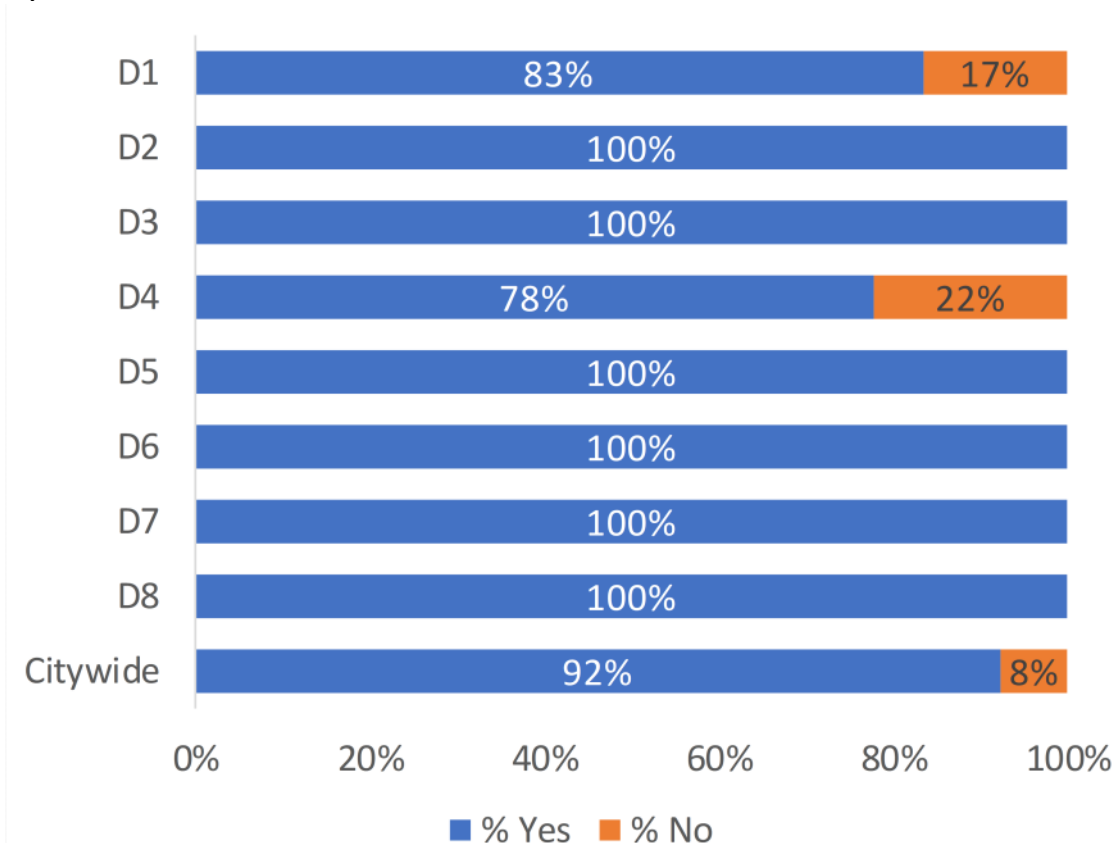
Add a Caseworker III position to assist with relatives of decedents, incapacitated individuals and juveniles as a result of a police interaction. Relatives of decedents may not be entitled to victims' rights advocacy until the determination of a criminal offense. This position will provide case management services to relatives to address needs outside of the criminal justice system.



Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Municipal Court - Intake, Transfer, and Release (ITR) Staff: \$133,000

Add two Bailiff positions to provide judicial and operational support in a criminal courtroom located at the new Maricopa County Intake, Transfer, and Release Facility that opened in November 2020. This criminal courtroom is designed to handle initial appearances for individuals who have been arrested and held by the City of Phoenix. Funding would provide for the continued processing of cases in a timely and efficient manner.

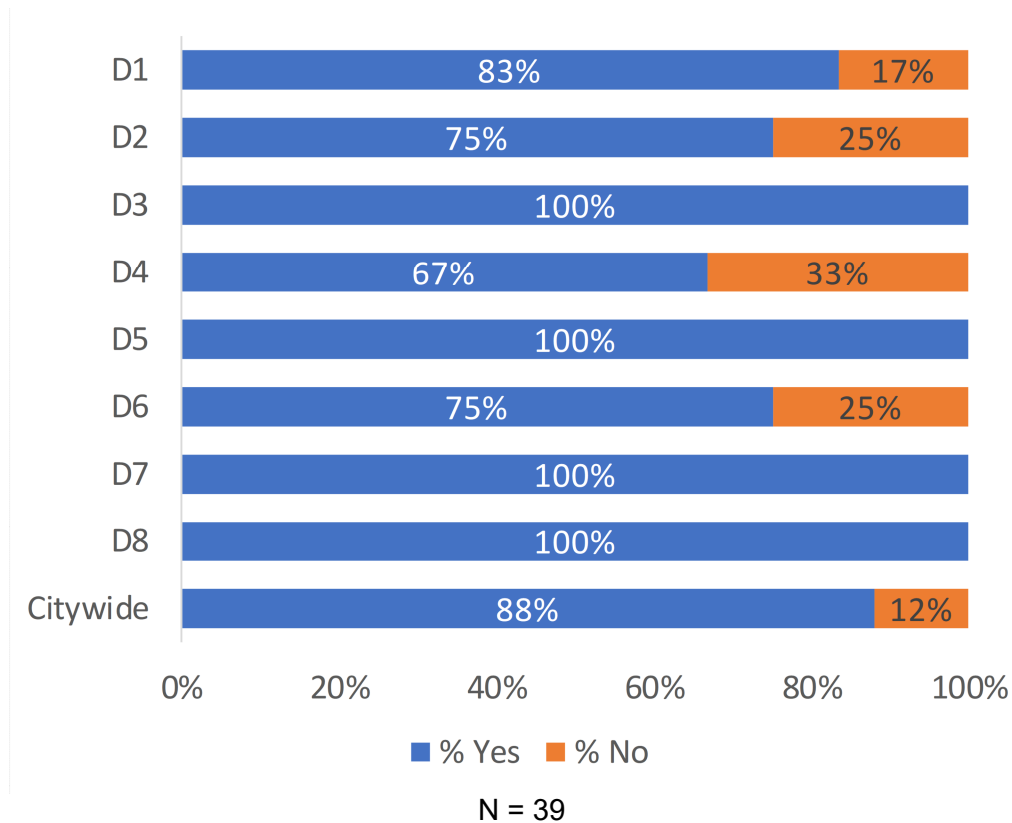


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Municipal Court - Orders of Protection: \$224,000

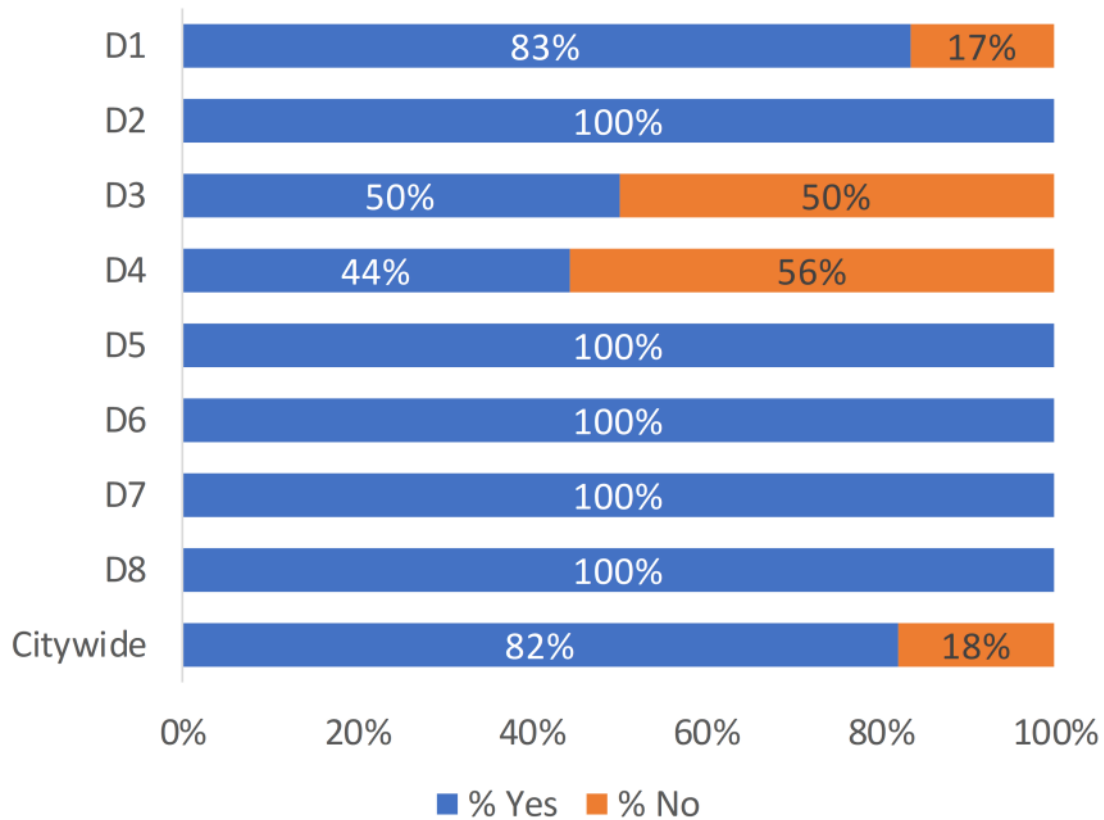
Add one Court Interpreter and two Court/Legal Clerk II positions to support the operations of the Order of Protection Office. In September 2019, the Phoenix Municipal Court implemented the mandated firearm transfer process for defendants that are deemed a credible threat in an Order of Protection (OOP) case. Additionally, in January 2020, the Arizona Administration Office of the Courts (AOC) required the utilization of an on-line public portal system. Both process changes have caused increased staff workload and wait times. Staff and resources are needed in a customer service capacity, for administrative documentation and translation services.



Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Police - Public Records Support: \$1,000,000

Add funding for nine Administrative Aides, three Forensic Photo Specialists, two Administrative Assistant I, and one Forensic Photo Specialist Lead positions, to provide additional staff support for the Public Records and Services Unit. These positions will help eliminate public records request backlogs, ensure timely request processing, and improve overall customer service and transparency.

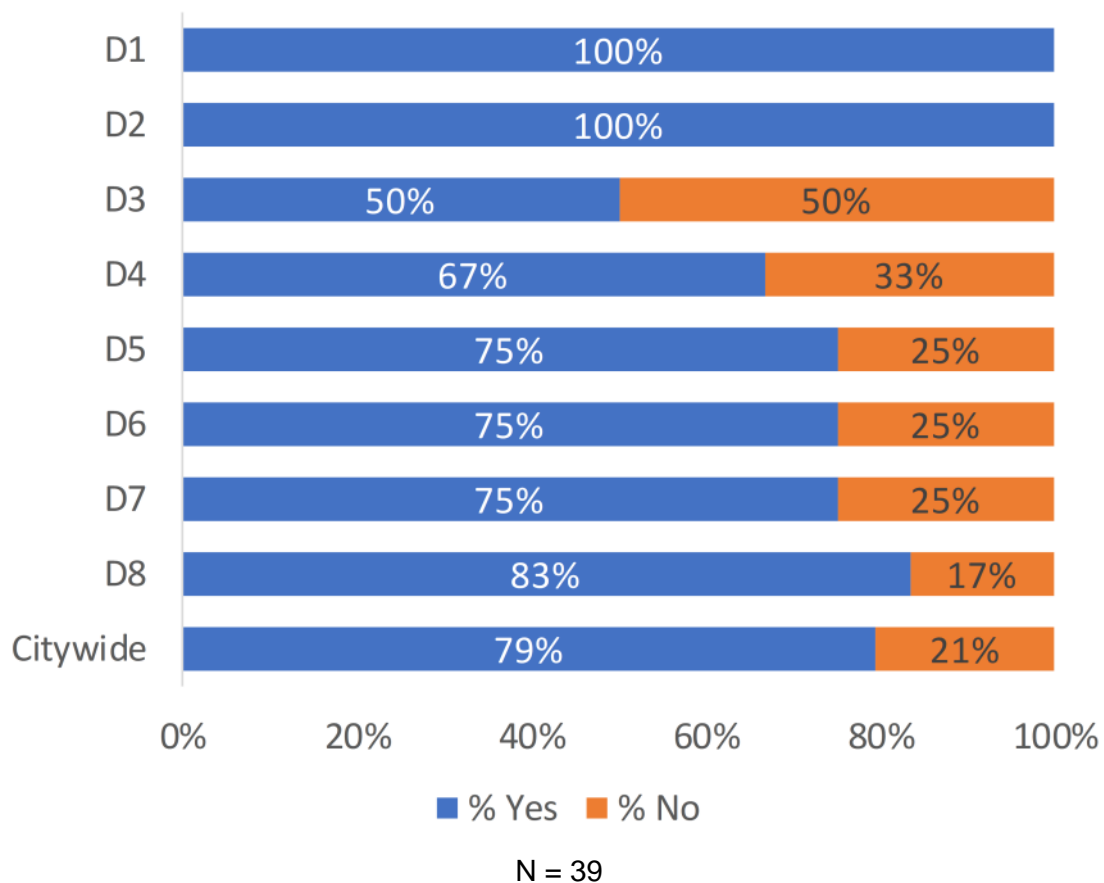


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Police - Early Intervention: \$298,000

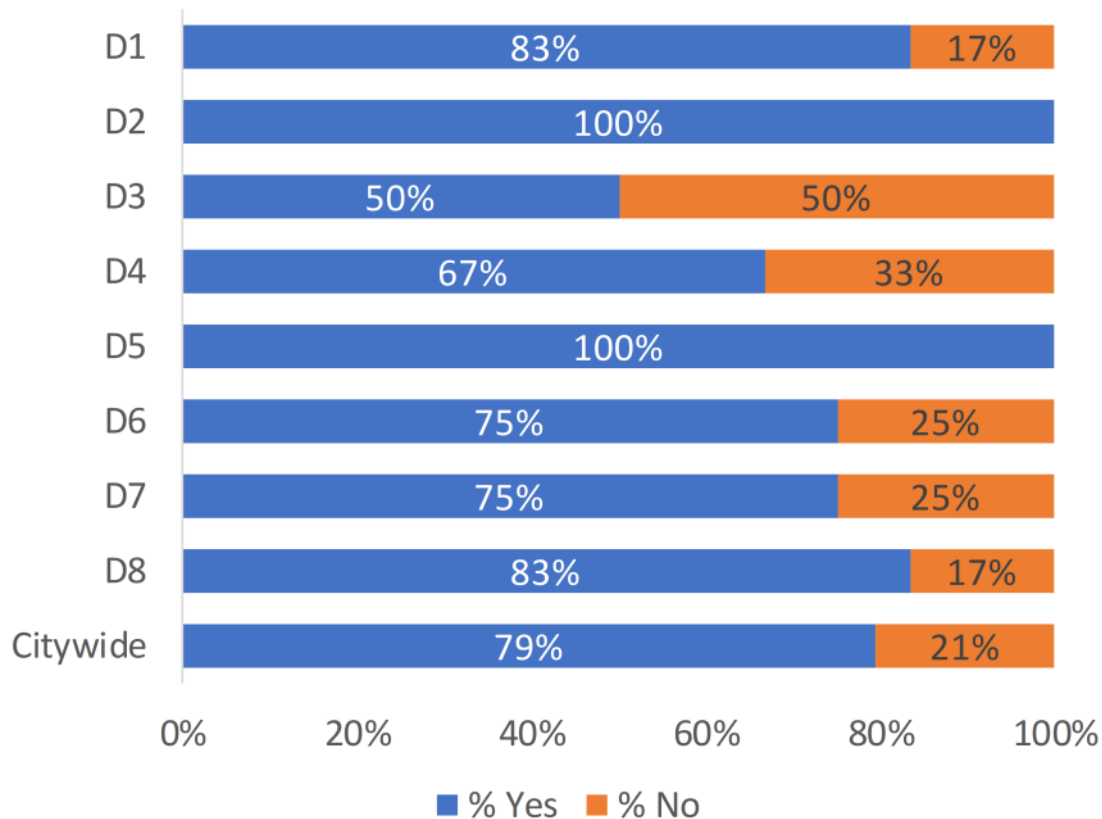
Add funding for two Administrative Aides, one Management Assistant I, and one Police Research Analyst position, to support the Early Intervention System (EIS). These positions will ensure timely and accurate data and implement intervention recommendations, with the goal of identifying employee risk and preventing adverse events.



Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Police - Data Transparency: \$1,009,000

Add funding for staffing required to meet federal National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) standards, additional demands for increased transparency in policing and timely publication of data, and increased workload due to Proposition 207's requirement to purge prior criminal records related to marijuana offenses. This funding will allow for 22 ongoing positions, including 12 Police Coding Clerks, six Admin Aides, two Police Records Clerks, one Criminal Intelligence Analyst, and one Police R&I Bureau Shift Supervisor. It also includes funding for 12 temporary part-time Police Coding Clerk positions.

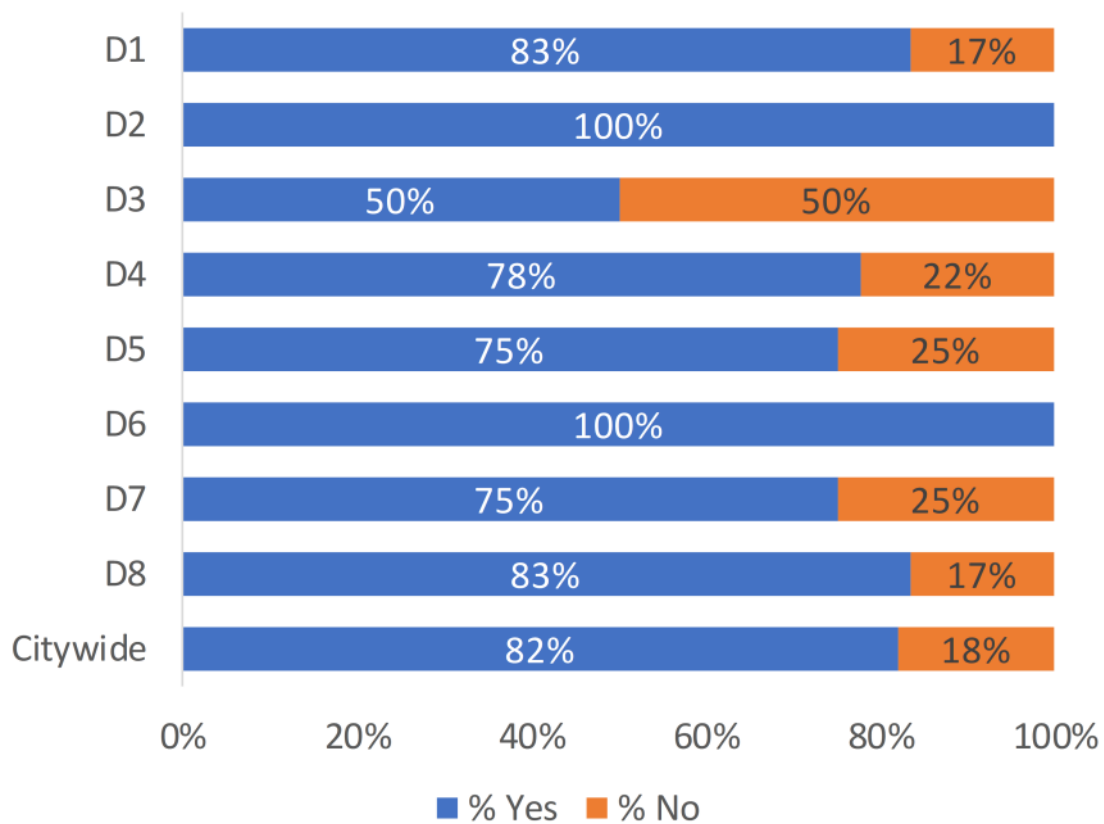


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Police - Civilianize Central Booking: \$0

Add funding for 18 temporary Detention Officer positions and four temporary Detention Supervisor positions in the Centralized Booking Detail. These civilian positions will take the place of sworn positions, allowing officers to be redeployed to higher priority duties. Vacancies in the department will offset the cost of the new positions.

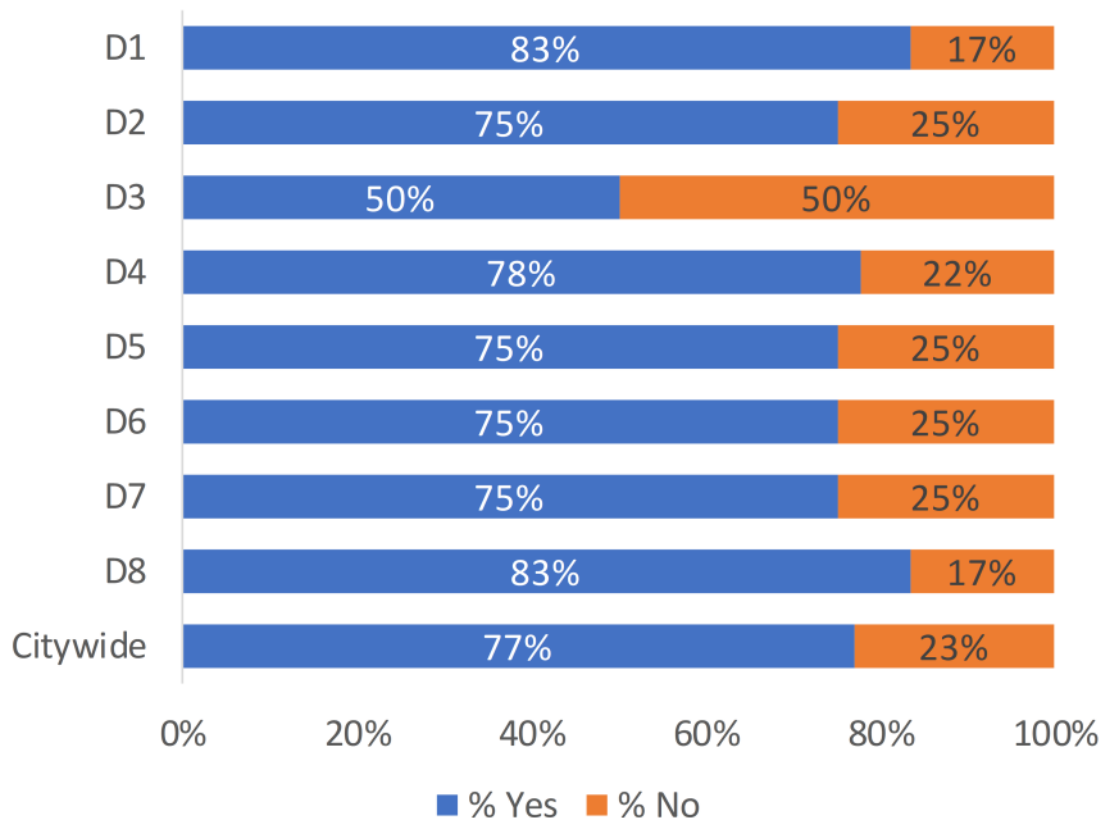


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Police - Police Reform Reviews: \$500,000

To support police reform, community trust, and enhanced transparency we are recommending a comprehensive review of the Phoenix Police Department. Funds will be used to hire independent third-parties that have a demonstrated track record with assisting police departments across the country achieve these goals. Reviews will include practices and policies, stakeholder and community feedback and provide recommendations for improvement.

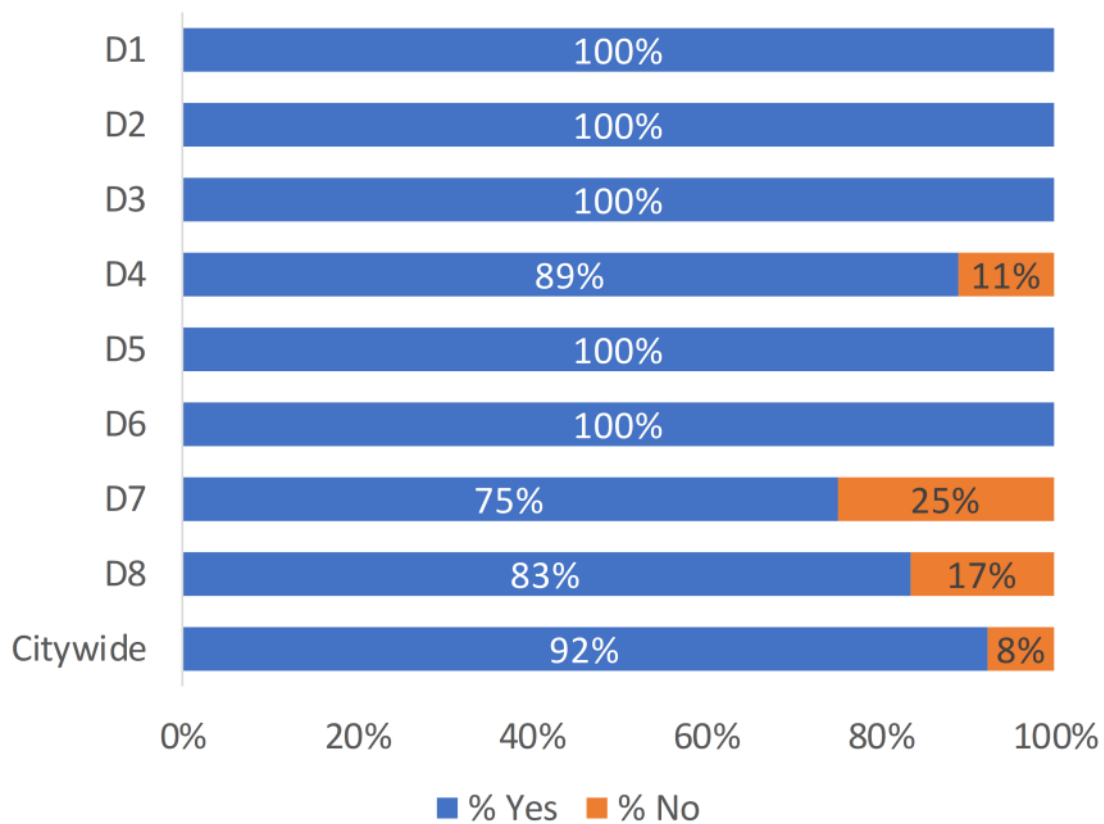


N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

Street Transportation - Pedestrian Safety: \$600,000

Add funding as part of the Roadway Safety Action Plan adopted by City Council on March 2, 2021. The plan addresses comprehensive roadway safety issues on City streets. The effort will be funded using the General Fund, the Transportation 2050 fund (T2050), and the Arizona Highway User Revenue fund (AHUR). The General Fund portion being requested is six-hundred thousand per year over five years.



N = 39

Public Safety Reform and Responsiveness

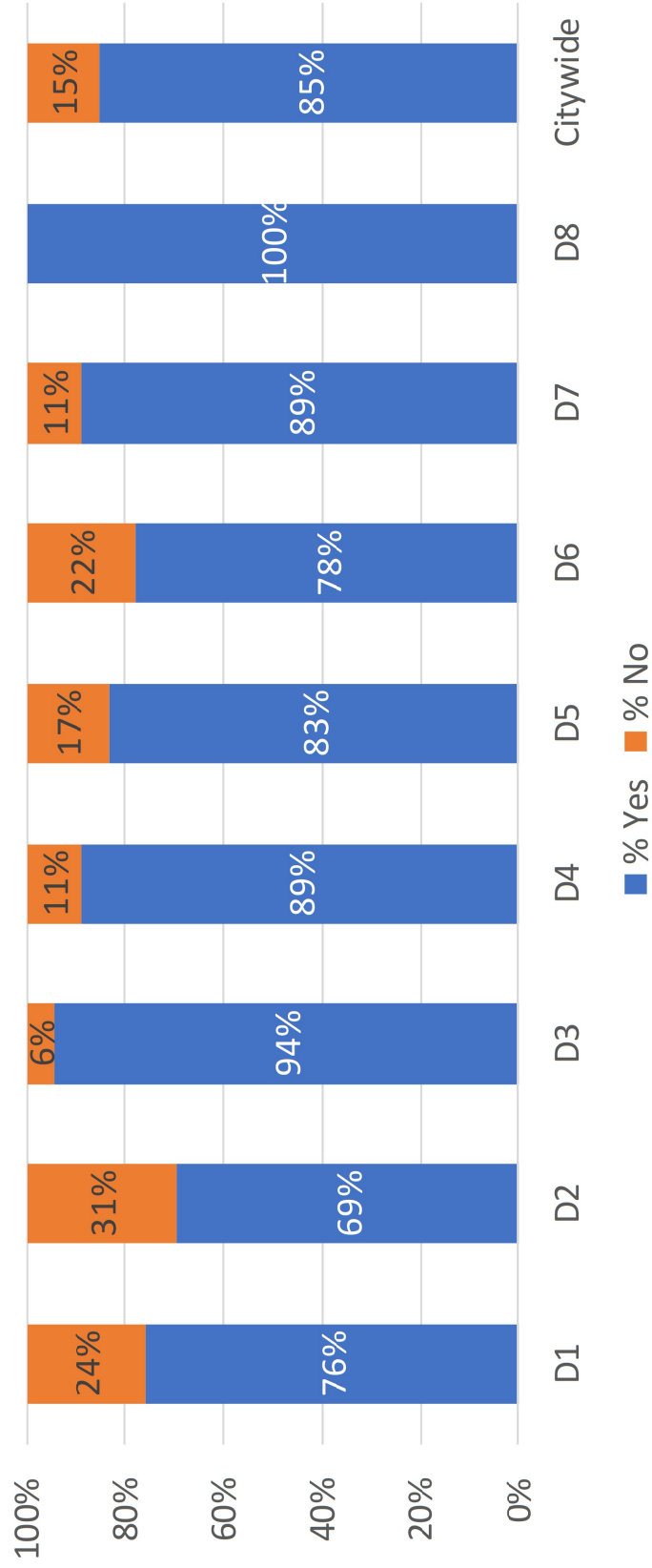
Comments:

1. Elizabeth Kiernan (District 1) requested additional funding for crisis response and conversion of City spaces to pedestrian-only areas.
2. Jen Saltmarsh (District 1) requested additional funding for hiring Police officers.
3. Jena Ingram (District 2) requested additional funding for crisis response, 911 operators, and Police public records. She was opposed to additional funding for Police reform reviews.
4. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) was opposed to additional funding for Fire, Municipal Court, Police, and Street Transportation.
5. Julie Degraffenreid (District 5) suggested reduced funding for crisis response and further planning.
6. Smith Jones (District 5) requested additional funding for crisis response.
7. Owen Swenson (District 6) stated that the City should draw from existing, off-duty personnel or contract with nurses and doctors for Fire's Paramedic Training positions, since these positions have historically been eliminated. He suggested outsourcing the Fire's Radio Repair position. Mr. Swenson requested additional funding for Municipal Court's Orders of Protection positions. He suggested researching new technologies, best practices and system improvements, and contracting with a data processing company to handle clerical issues related to Police Public Records Support and Data Transparency funding. Mr. Swenson suggested retraining and reassignment of Police management to prevent position-based bias. He requested that mental health and domestic dispute response be handled outside of Police resources. Mr. Swenson asked whether there were any consequences for Police officers who targeted peaceful protestors as gang members. He requested additional funding for Police Reform Reviews.
8. Aimee Esposito (District 7) was opposed to additional funding for Police. She stressed the importance of processing Police data in a timely manner. Ms. Esposito requested pedestrian safety money be allocated to walkability, bike lines and Public Transit.



COVID Response and Resiliency: \$2,603,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the COVID Response and Resiliency category, by district

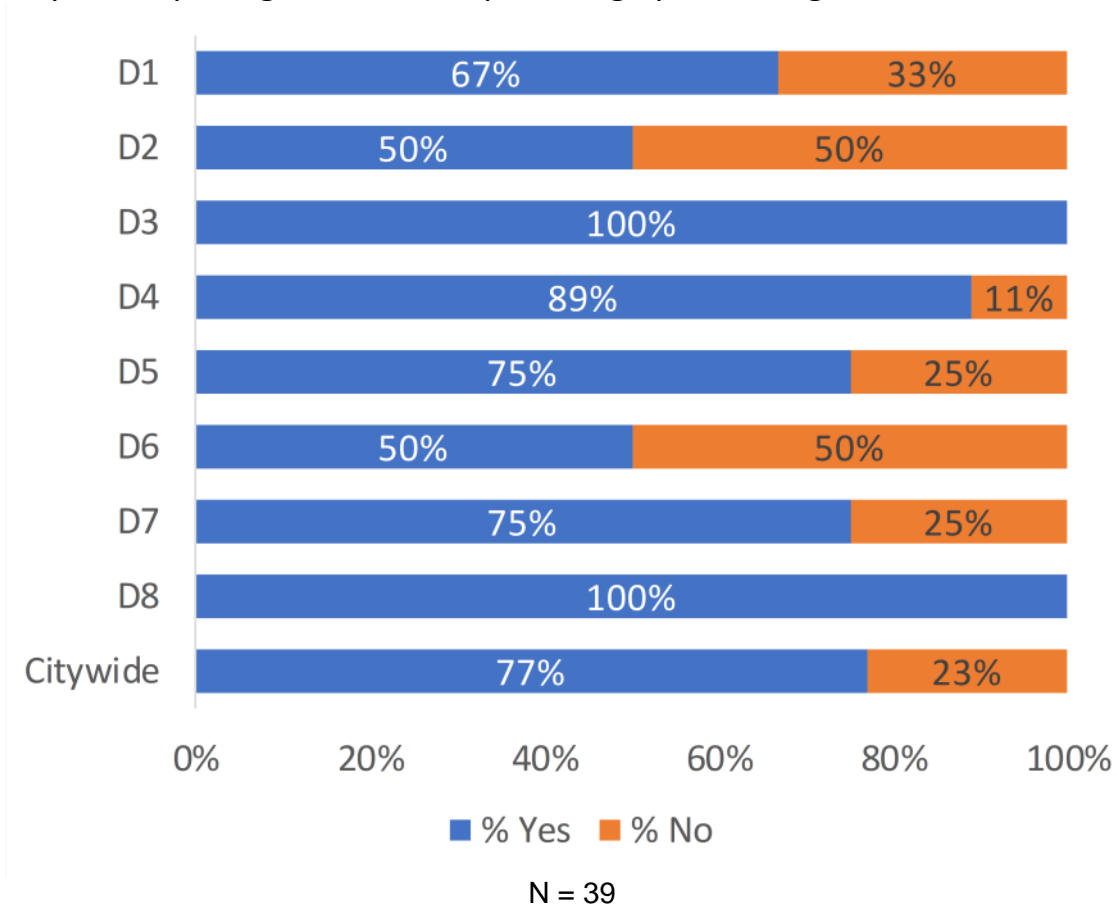


number of submissions (N) = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

City Manager's Office - Public Health Advisors: \$150,000

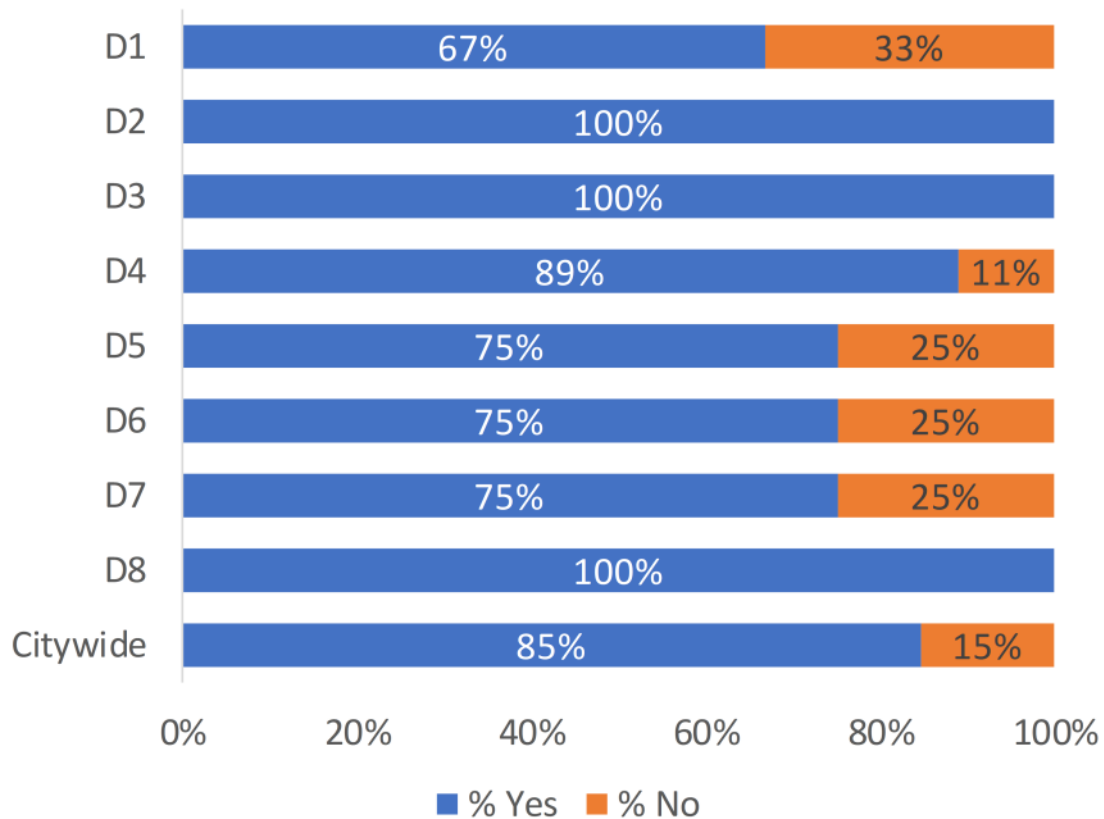
Continue funding for COVID-19 consultants, including medical experts, to advise the City on reopening facilities and providing up-to-date guidance from the CDC.



COVID Response and Resiliency

Environmental Programs - Food Program: \$300,000

Add funding for a Program Manager to continue the COVID-19 emergency food assistance program, the 2025 Phoenix Food Day Action Plan approved by Council in March 2020, and community engagement by hosting educational events and workshops including Phoenix Food Day.

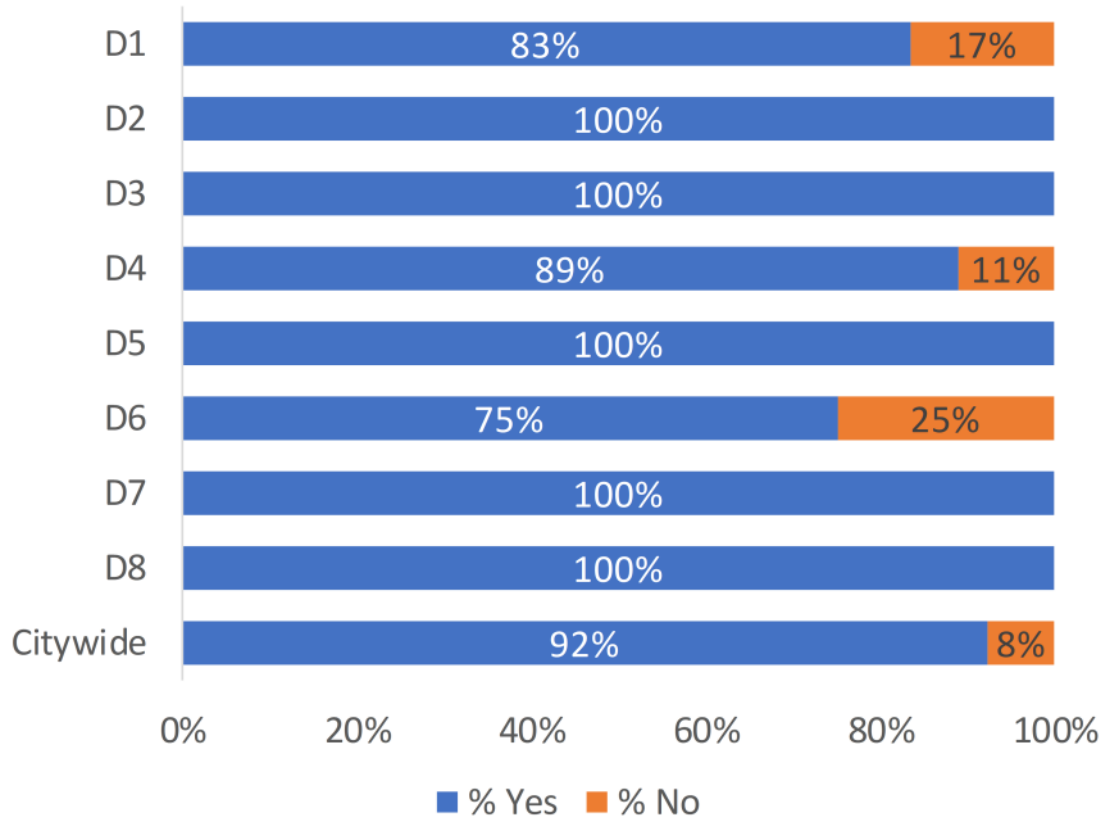


N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

Information Technology Services - City Services IT Support: \$585,000

Add contractual services funding to provide development support for the 311 and Learning Management System projects. Funding three additional Senior Developers will continue Citywide integration and mobile app development for these critical initiatives, which enhance citizen access to City services and provide a needed virtual learning environment for City employees.

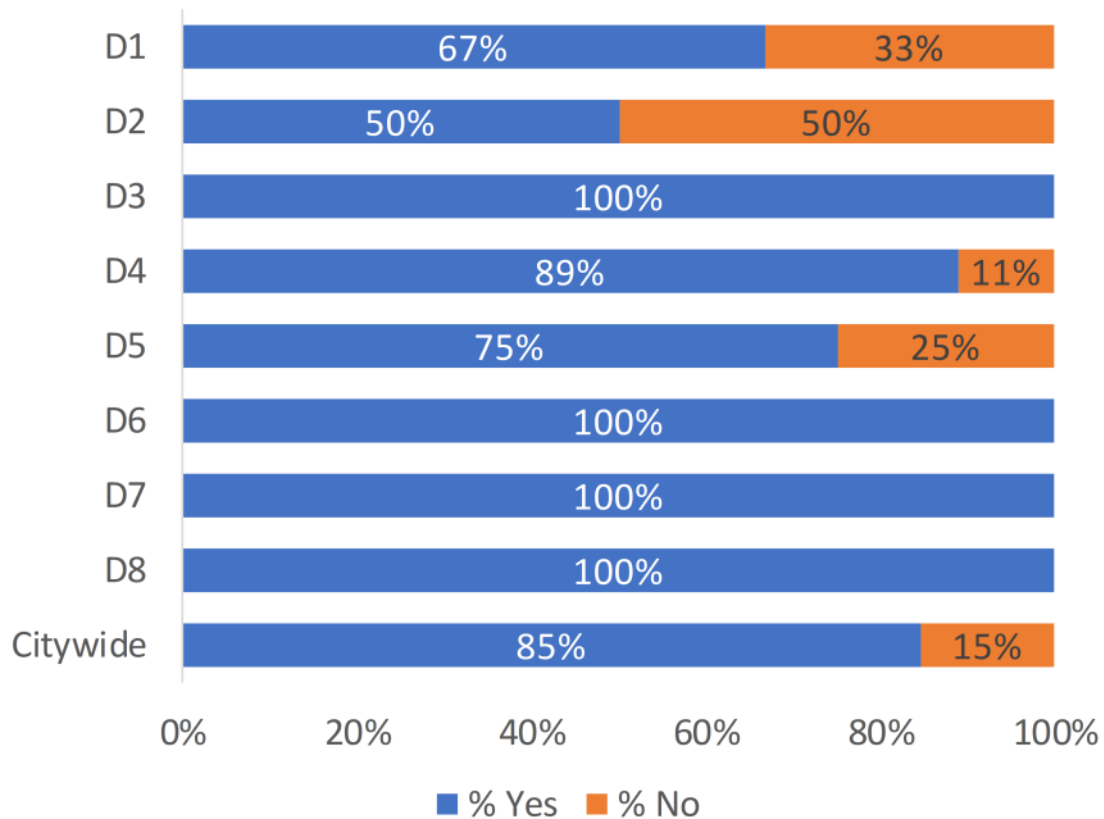


N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

Information Technology Services - 311: \$350,000

Add contractual services funding for project management services of several large-scale projects that emerged due to COVID-19, including 311, the Learning Management System, enhanced security needs, and conference room technology upgrades. The City's 311 system significantly expanded due to COVID-19, providing enhanced connectivity to City services for residents. This expansion requires additional ongoing support to ensure continued seamless integration with City applications.

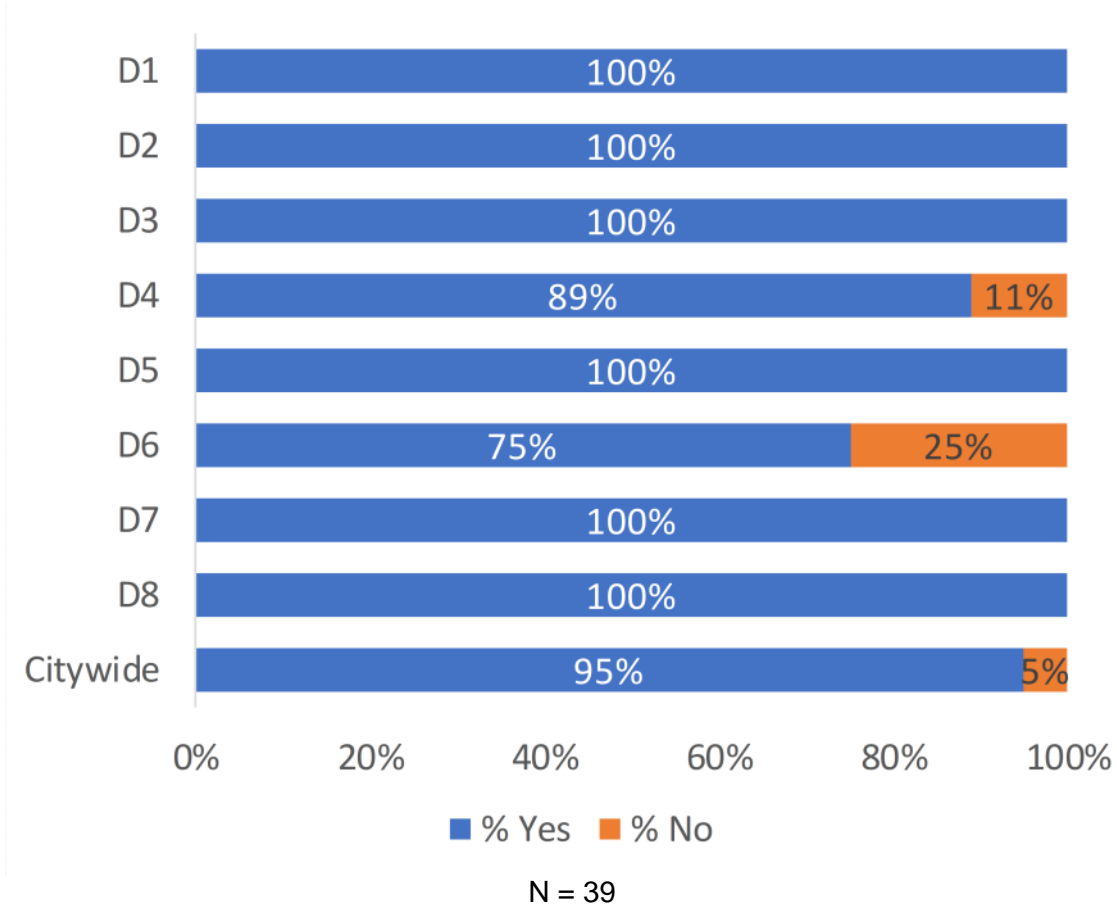


N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

Information Technology Services - WiFi Support: \$169,000

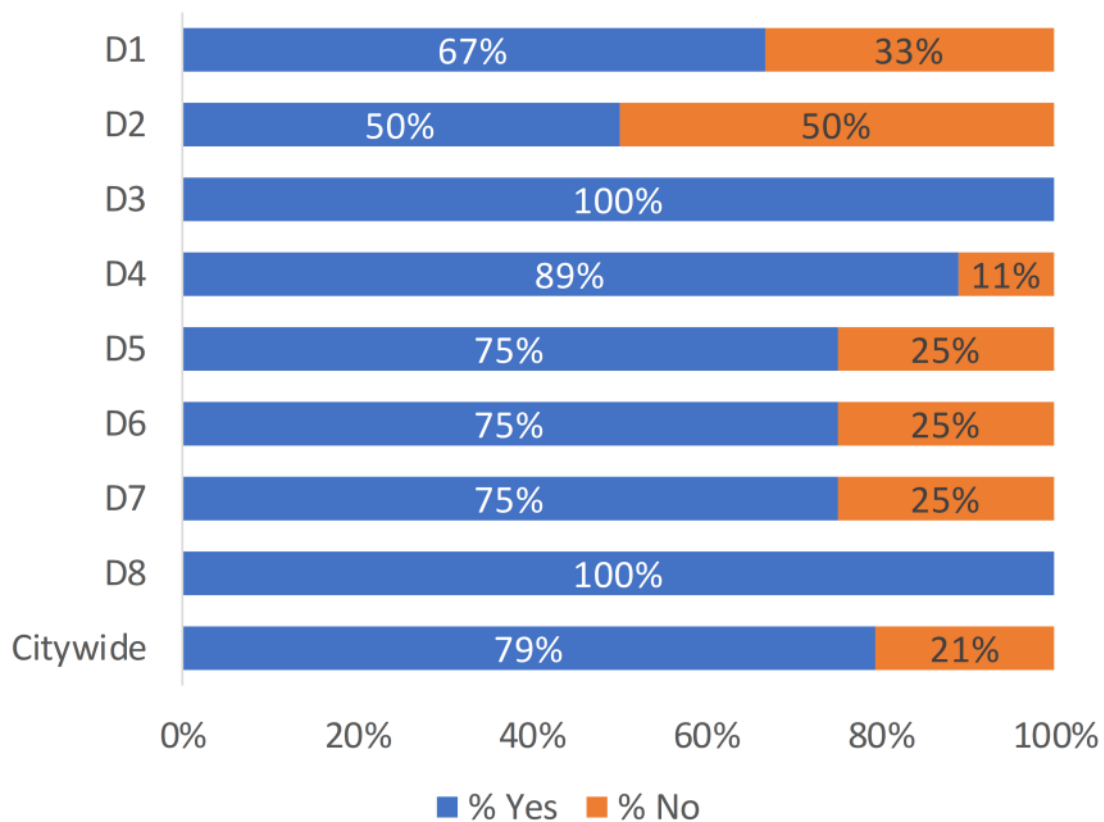
Add funding for one Senior Information Technology Systems Specialist to serve as a Senior WiFi Engineer. This position will provide ongoing support and management for the 50+ new public WiFi locations the City added during COVID-19 to address public need for WiFi. These locations are currently managed by a temporary position.



COVID Response and Resiliency

Information Technology Services - IT Support: \$354,000

Add one Lead Information Technology Systems Specialist and one Senior Information Technology Systems Specialist. These positions are needed to support security applications and additional infrastructure support required as a result of COVID-19 related enhancements.

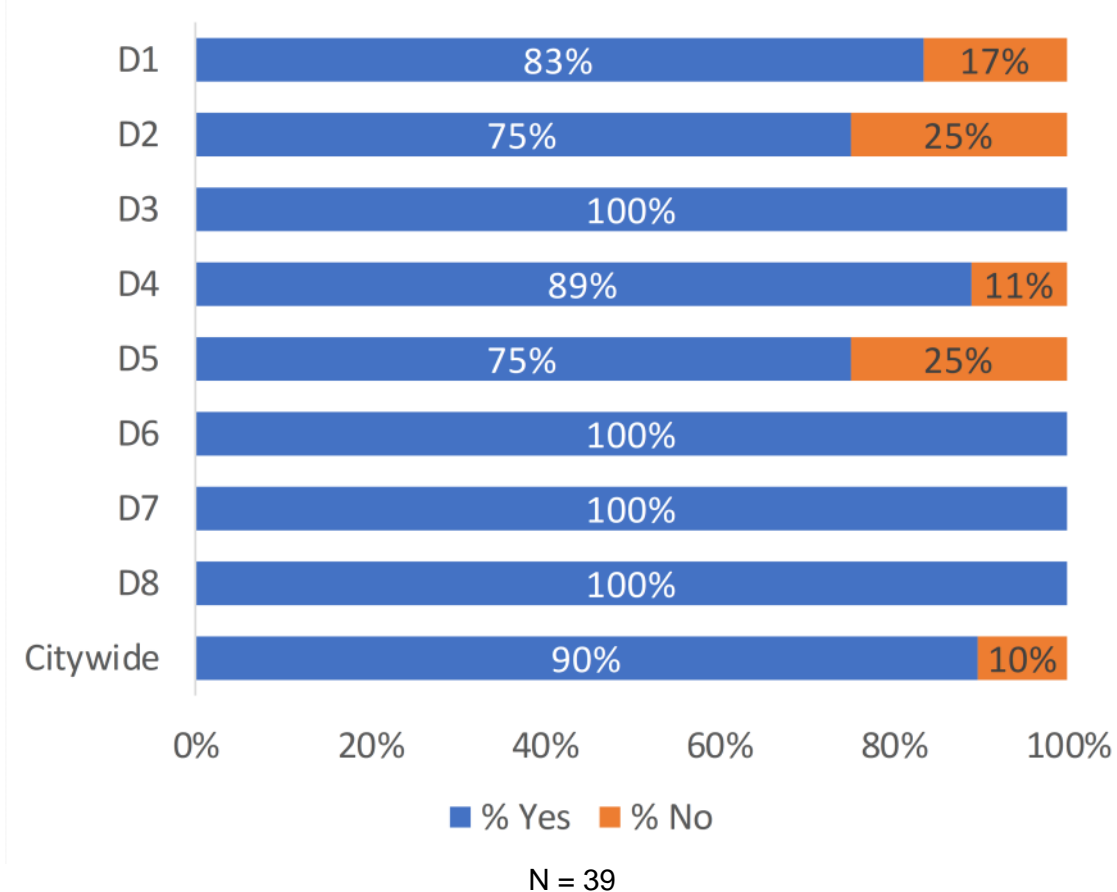


N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

Information Technology Services - Remote Work Support: \$323,000

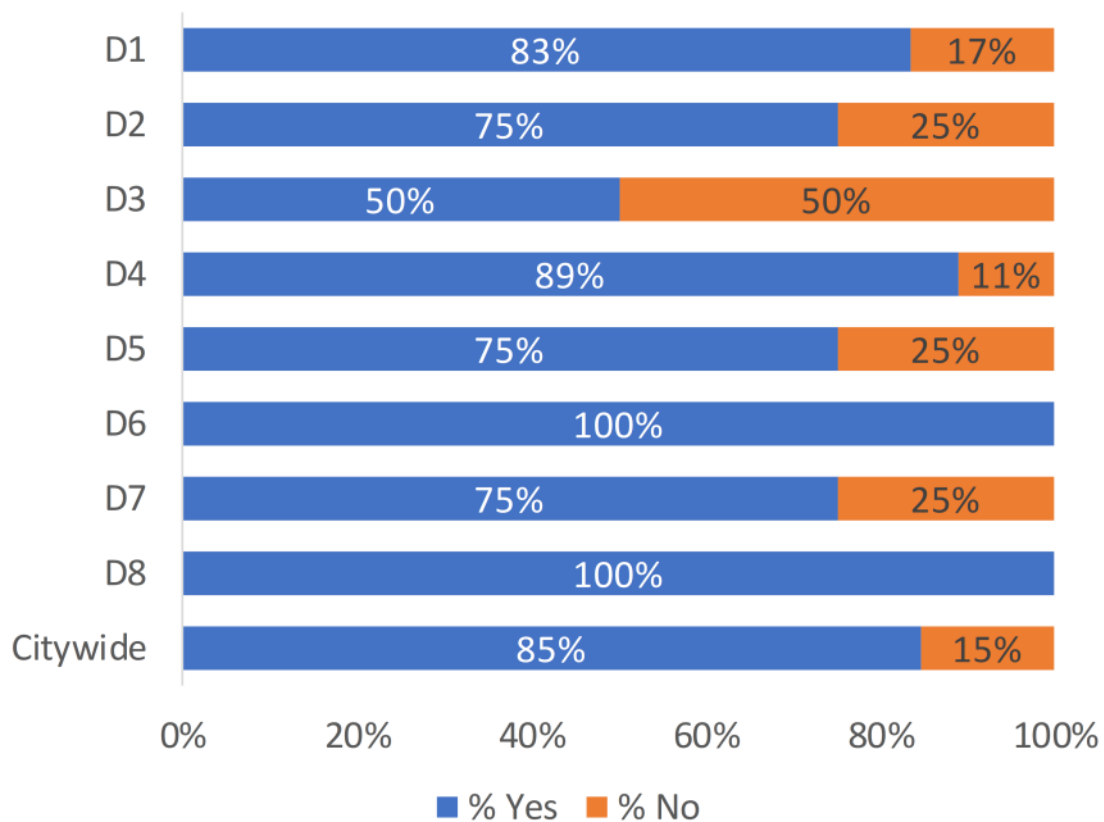
Convert one temporary Information Technology Systems Specialist and one temporary Senior Information Technology Systems Specialist to ongoing to provide coordination and administration of City video conferencing needs. The City continues to require vastly expanded video conferencing capabilities, which facilitates virtual work and helps ensure public access to City Council and other meetings. The temporary positions are currently being funded by vacancies in the department.



COVID Response and Resiliency

Library - Hotspot and Laptop Loan: \$181,000

Add funding to continue mobile and self-serve computing services initiated as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. These include cellular service for the MiFi hotspot loan program, annual maintenance for additional self-checkout payment kiosks, and security software for the laptop loan program.

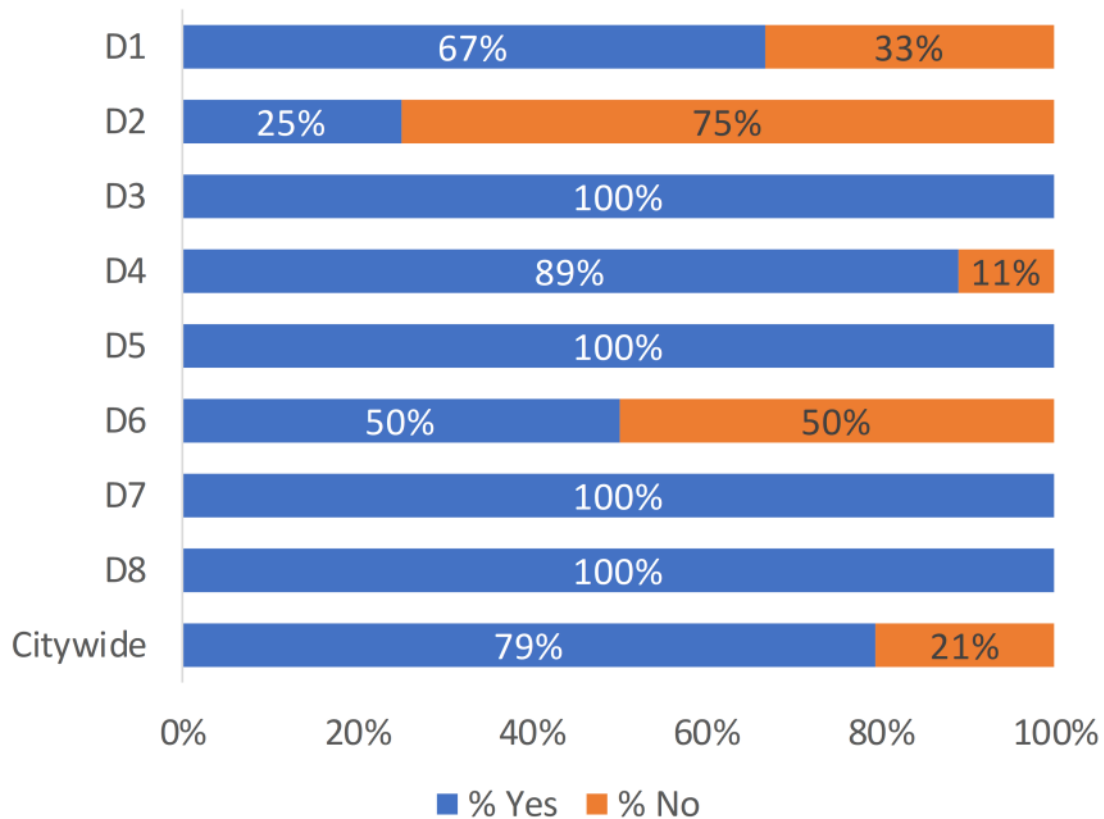


N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

Public Works - City Hall by Appointment: \$191,000

Add staff and resources to support the operation of the appointment only counter at Phoenix City Hall and the Calvin Goode building. In response to COVID health concerns, three full-time Support Service Aide positions will support, coordinate and schedule appointments for residents and manage authorized access to these facilities. The appointment only desk is currently being staffed on a temporary basis with part-time Parks and Recreation staff that were displaced due to COVID closures.



N = 39

COVID Response and Resiliency

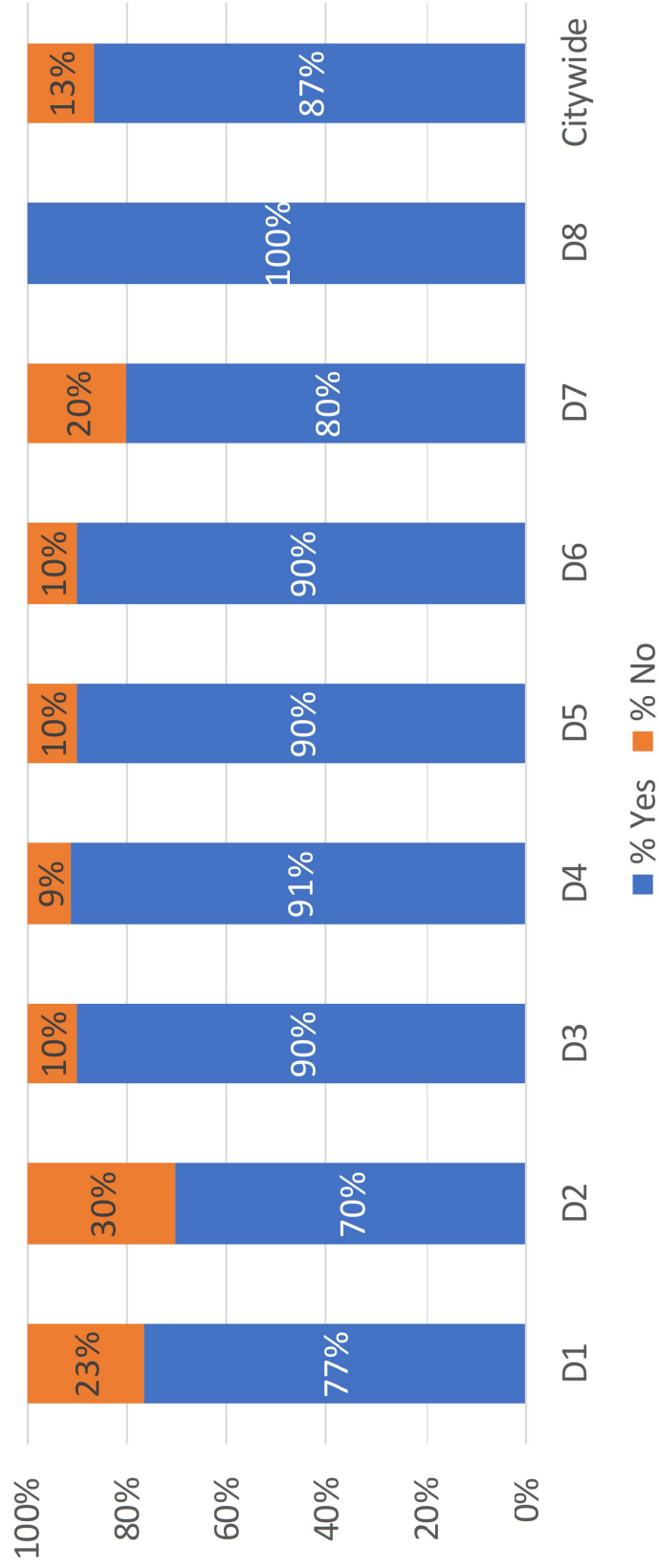
Comments:

1. Jena Ingram (District 2) stated that public health should be handled by the State of Arizona Department of Health. She was opposed to additional funding for 311 and COVID. Ms. Ingram requested additional funding for public WiFi.
2. Julie Degraffenreid (District 5) was opposed to funding for Public Health Advisors, Environmental Programs and Information Technology Services. She requested contracting out the proposed positions.
3. Owen Swenson (District 6) suggested contracting-out City Hall by Appointment staff positions.



Climate Change and Heat Readiness: \$2,832,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the Climate Change and Heat Readiness category, by district

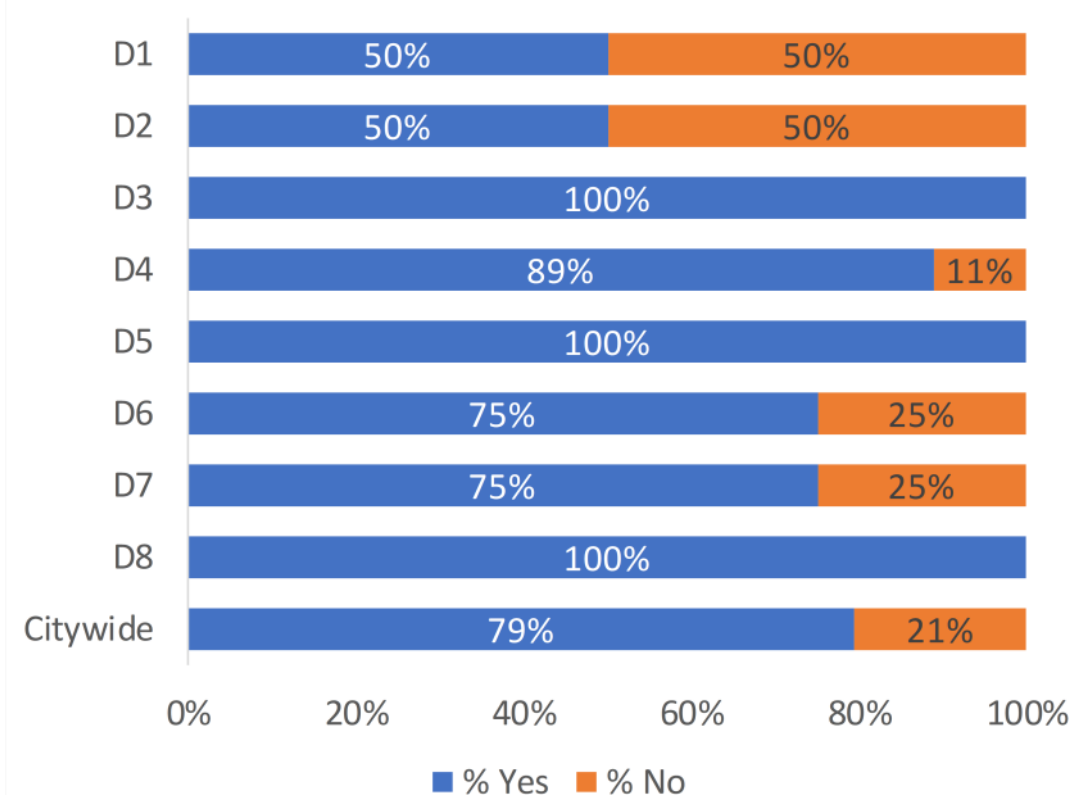


number of submissions (N) = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

City Manager's Office - Office of Heat Response and Mitigation: \$475,000

This office will establish a cohesive strategy and action plan to address the growing hazard of urban heat, which threatens the City's economic viability and health and the well-being of vulnerable residents. This office will increase the community's capacity to prepare for and respond to both extreme heat events and the increasing frequency of high temperature days that adversely affect residents' and visitors' comfort. This office will build a research and practice-informed process to ensure that heat is addressed in an effective manner by using technology and innovative, locally-relevant solutions, providing preventative information and education, and encouraging coordination and cooperation among diverse stakeholders. This office will include a Chief Heat Response Officer, Tree Shade Administrator, Shade Infrastructure Manager, and an Administrative Aide.

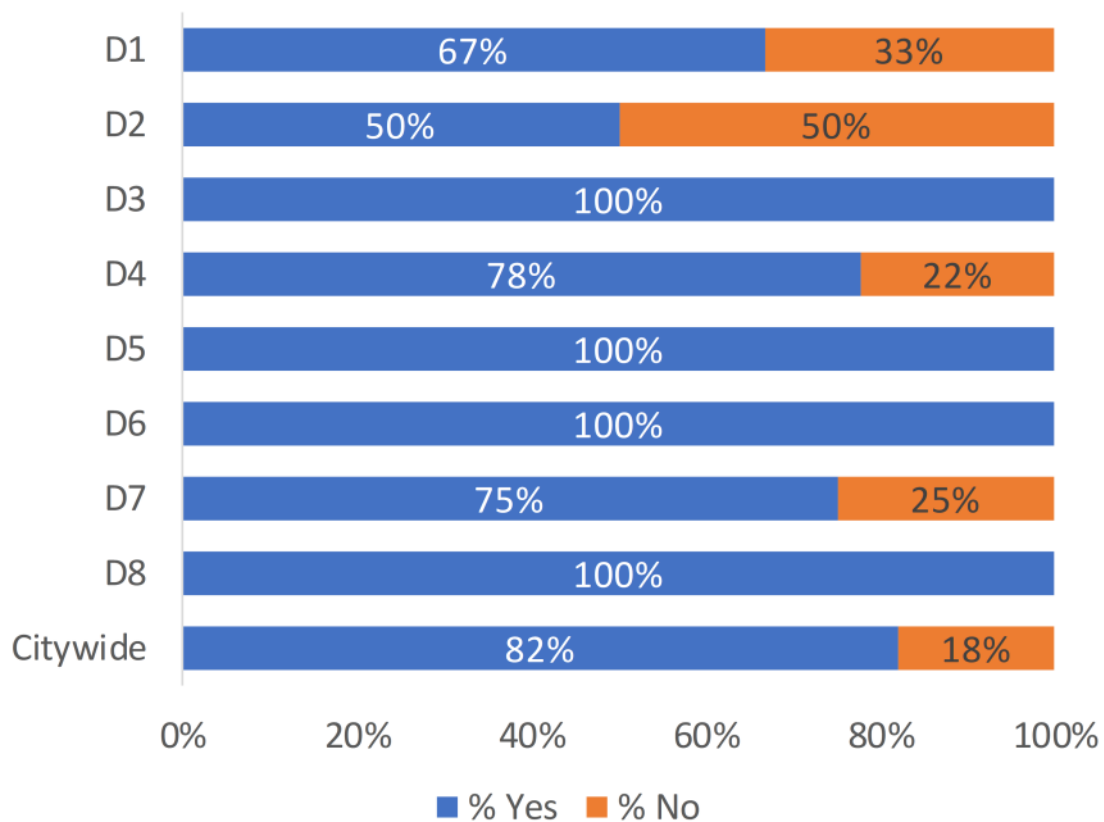


N = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

Environmental Programs - Climate Change and Support: \$200,000

Add funding to support existing and future needs relating to air quality, climate and resilience planning. Funds will be used to conduct greenhouse gas emissions inventories, facilitate bilingual community engagement, implementation of the Climate Action Plan and efforts to reduce emissions.

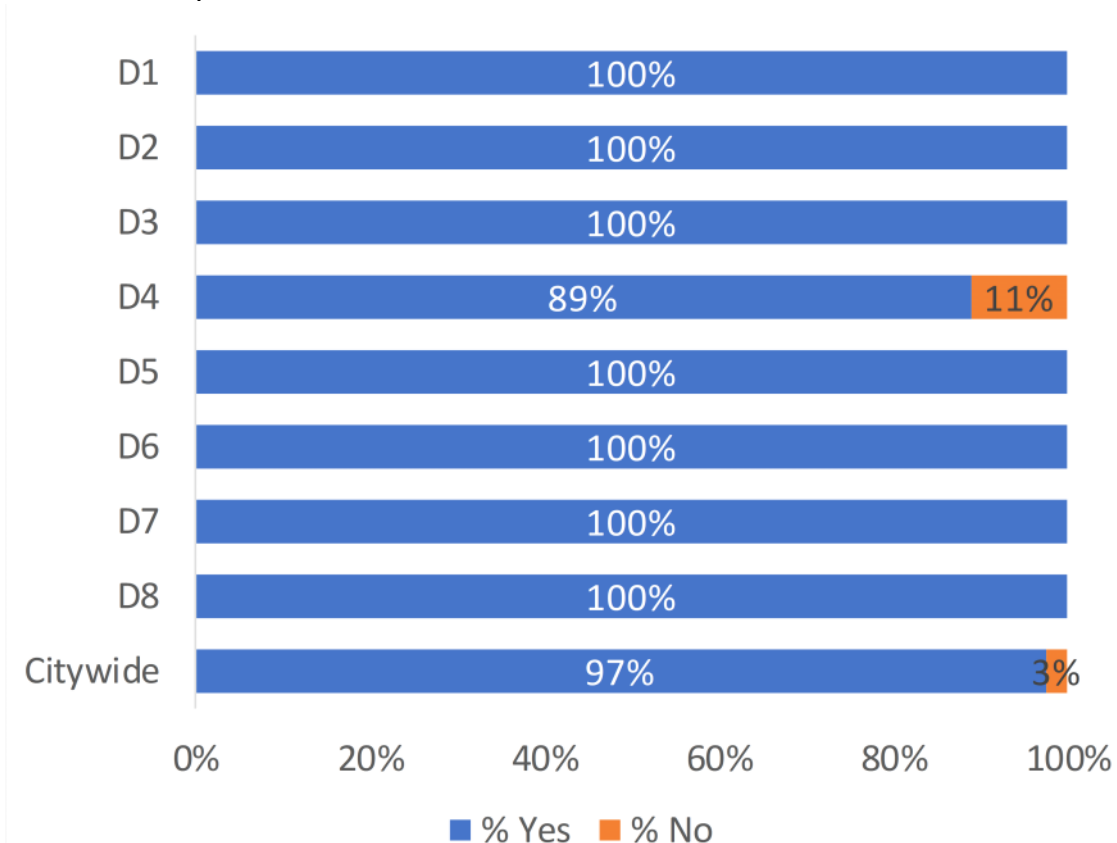


N = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

Fire - Solar Energy Inspection: \$0

Add funding for vehicles, supplies, and five new positions for a new energy system inspection program. The new positions include one Planning and Development Team Lead and four Fire Prevention Specialist II. This program will provide Fire Prevention the staff to conduct plan reviews and inspections of photovoltaic and energy storage systems. This addition is offset with \$698,000 in revenue generated from permit fees.

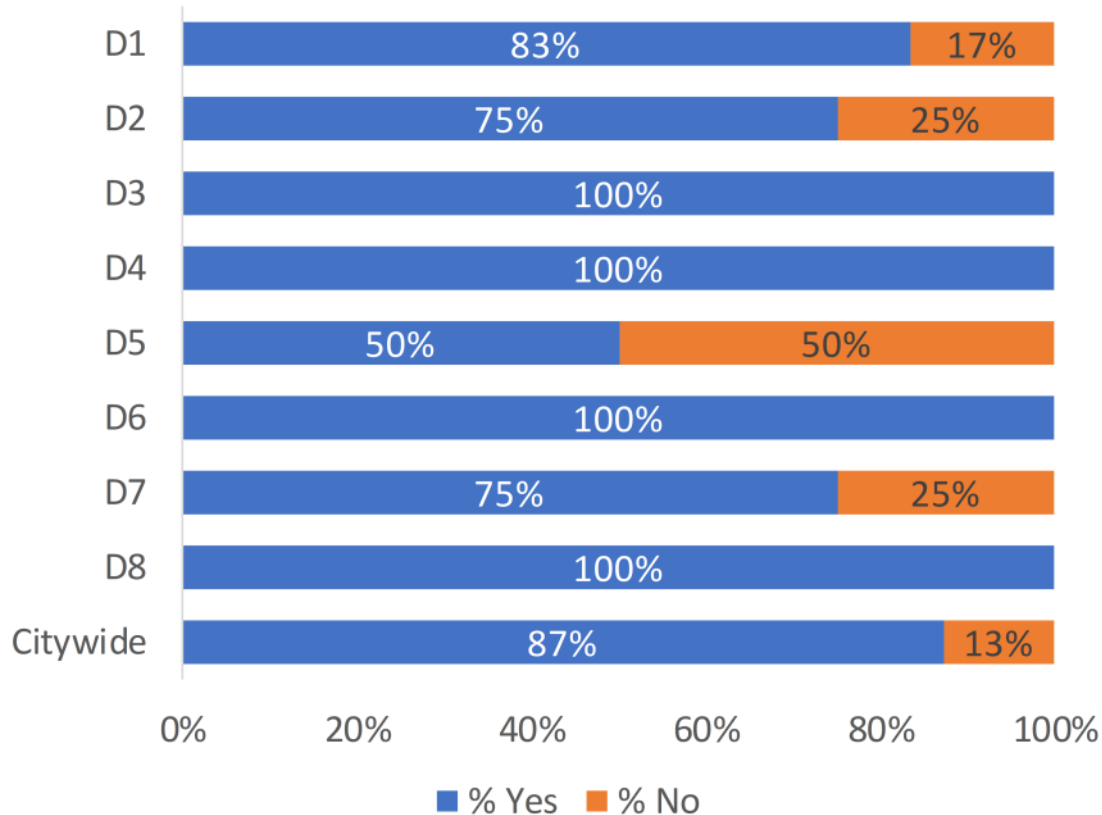


N = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

Parks and Recreation - Parks Trees: \$674,000

Add staff and equipment to create an additional Forestry Crew to maintain the increasing Citywide tree inventory. The City adopted the Tree and Shade Master Plan in 2010 with a goal to double the tree and shade canopy by 2030. This has led to a significant increase in tree planting on City property and rights-of-way to mitigate the effects of the urban heat island in vulnerable neighborhoods that have a limited tree canopy and where residents have a greater exposure to heat while walking to transit, schools and work. The Parks and Recreation Department Forestry section provides Citywide tree planting, tree maintenance activity, technical support, and 24/7 emergency response for several City departments.

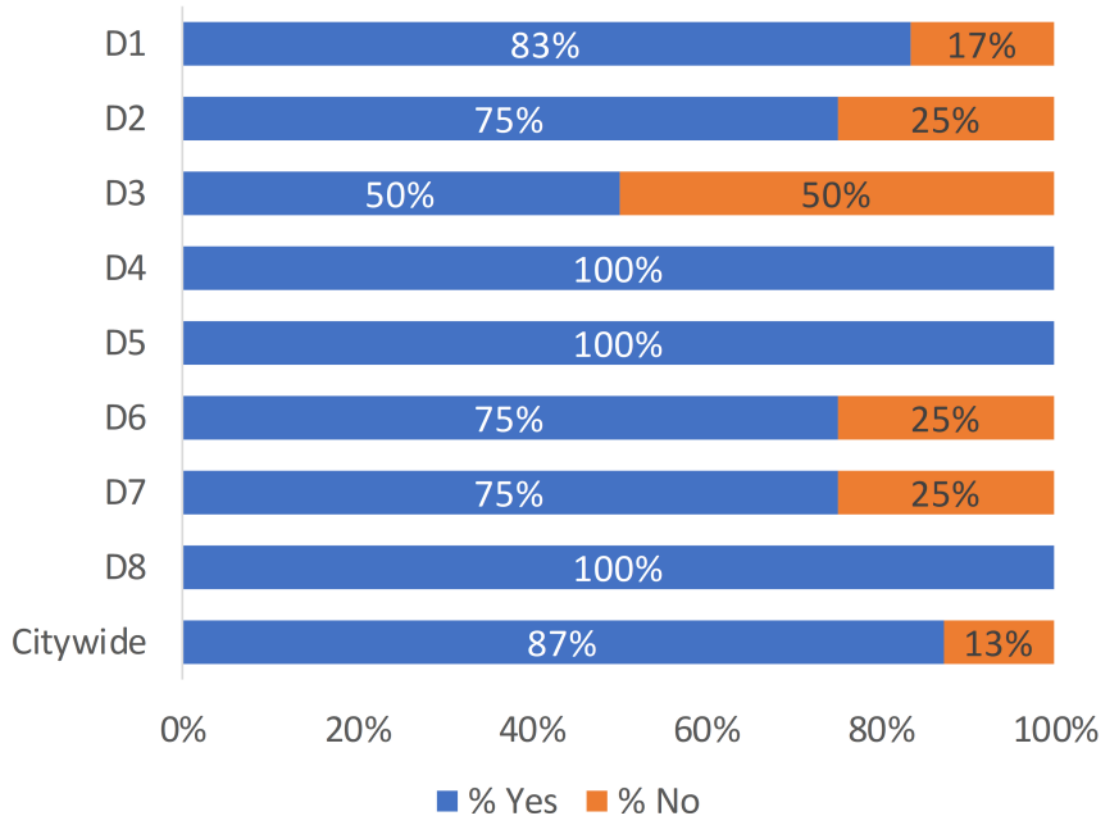


N = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

Street Transportation - Cool Corridors: \$1,483,000

Add funding for the Cool Corridors Program to plant 1,800 trees annually. Each year tree plantings will occur in one-mile roadway segments located in each Council district, plus a one-mile roadway segment for the Mayor's Office. This program will contribute to achieving the City's goals for the Tree and Shade Master Plan, reducing the City's overall carbon footprint and reducing climate impacts through the cooling effects of shade trees.



N = 39

Climate Change and Heat Readiness

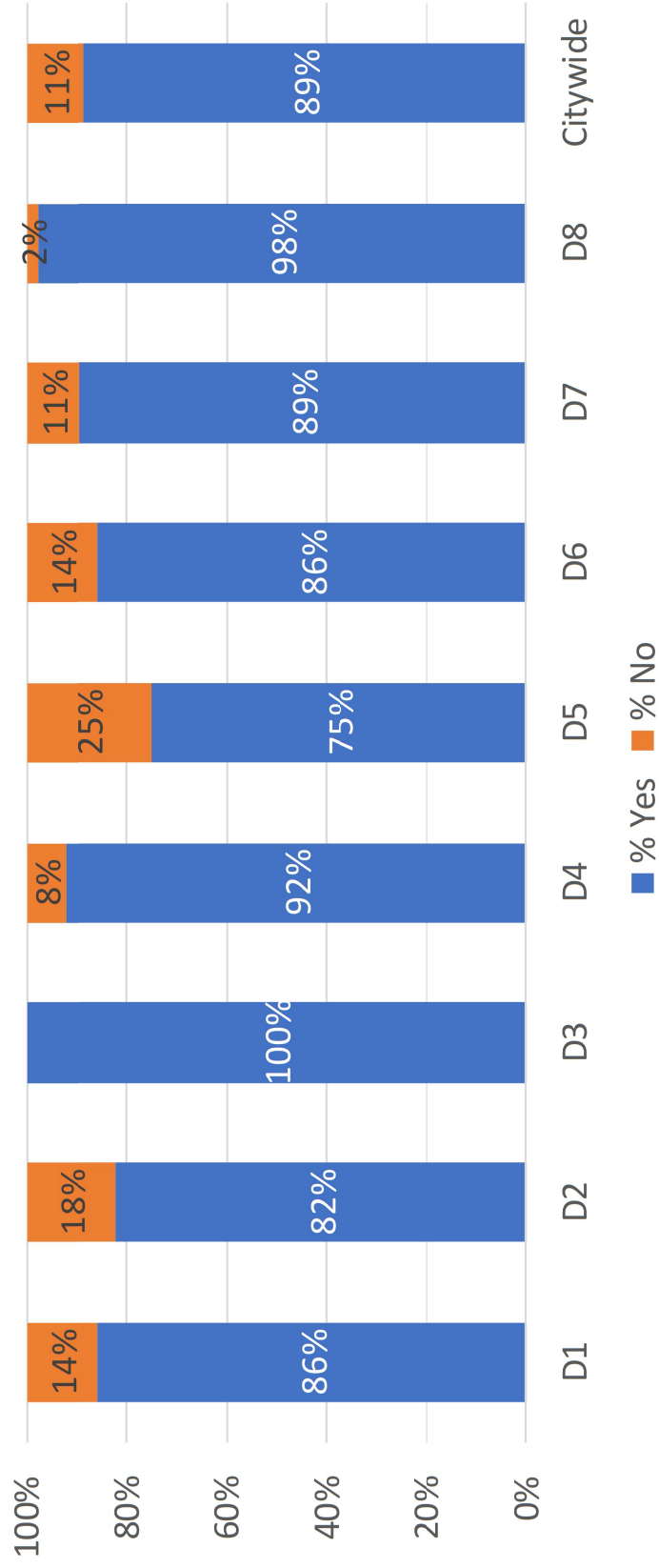
Comments:

1. Elizabeth Kieran (District 1) requested that the City replace palm trees with native trees.
2. Jane Koval (District 3) requested that cool corridors funding be allocated in short planting segments, existing trees be cared for and replaced if necessary.
3. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) requested that the Chief Sustainability Officer perform the roles of Chief Heat Response Officer and Shade Infrastructure Manager. She stated that the Tree Shade Administrator should be titled Chief Urban Forester. Ms. Rodriguez stated that the chair of EQSC should be replaced and the City Manager's Office should work more closely with the Urban Heat Island, Tree and Shade Committee. She was in opposition to additional funding for Environmental Programs.
4. Owen Swenson (District 6) requested additional funding for Citywide green spaces and inner-city cool corridors.
5. JV Rich (District 6) requested additional funding for climate action measures, climate data analysis, solar energy, trees and cool corridors. She suggested investing in Cool White Paint for Streets projects.
6. Aimee Esposito (District 7) requested additional funding for shade, climate change and heat readiness, sustainability and equity initiatives.
7. Linda Abegg (District 8) requested additional funding for a park on 55th Avenue and Samantha.



Affordable Housing and Homelessness: \$2,743,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the Affordable Housing and Homelessness category, by district

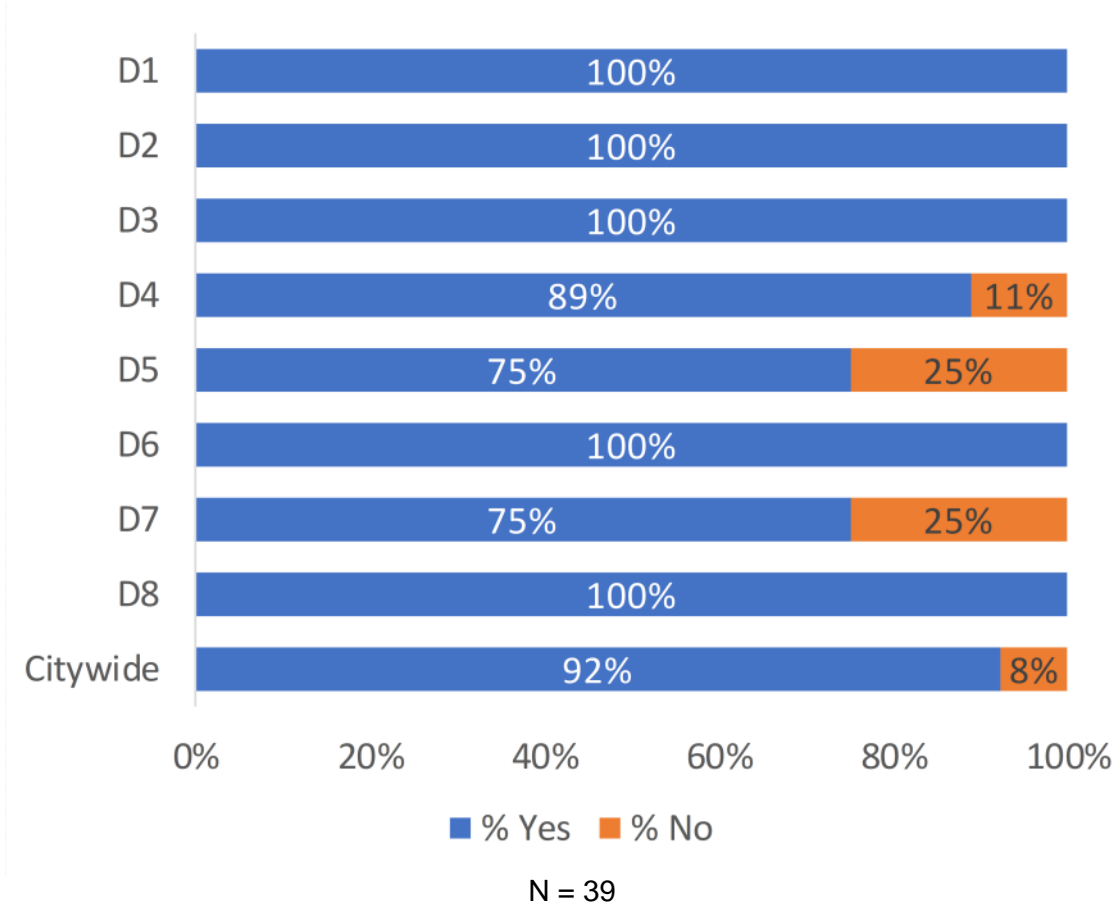


number of submissions (N) = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Housing - Affordable Housing Manager: \$118,000

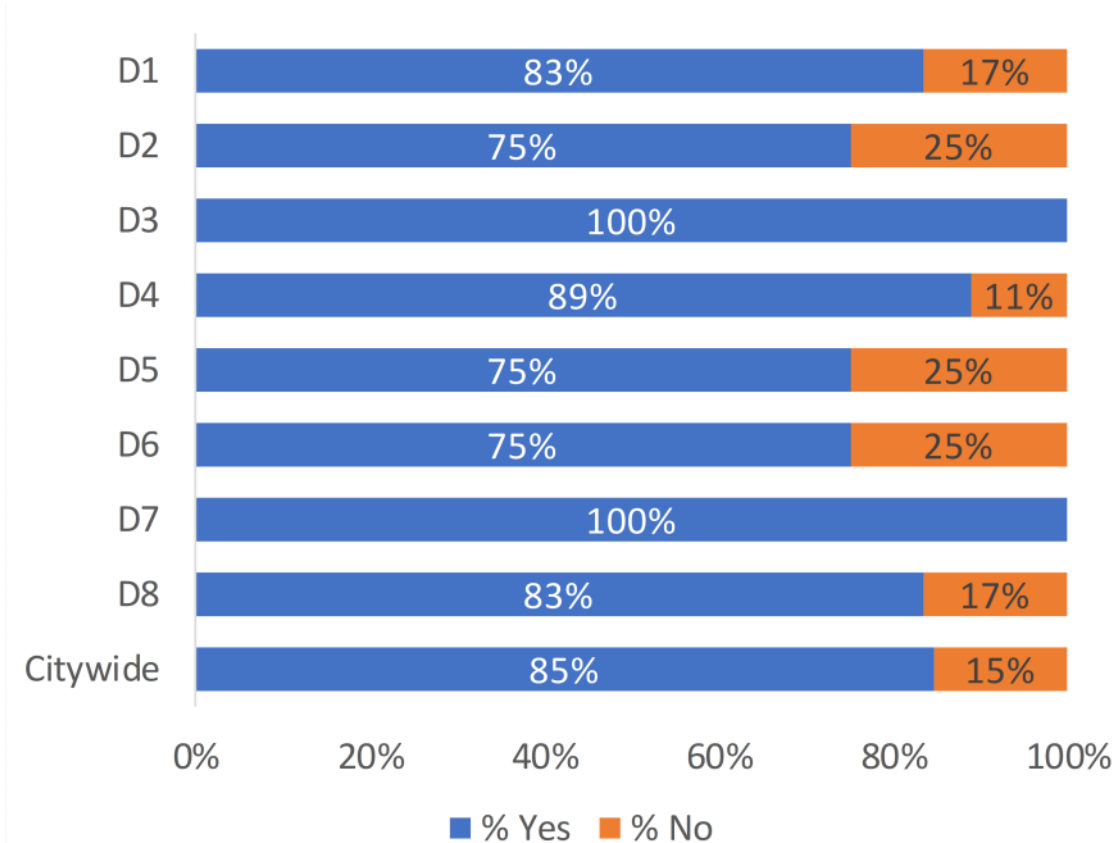
Add one Project Manager position to continue implementation of the Housing Phoenix Plan, focusing on redevelopment of City-owned land for mixed-income housing. This position will help to achieve the goal of creating or preserving 50,000 housing units by 2030.



Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Housing - Santa Fe Springs Rehabilitation: \$1,400,000

Add funding to complete critical safety and infrastructure repairs at Santa Fe Springs Apartments. These repairs will address community safety and quality of life concerns, including improved lighting, cameras, and fencing, as well as the rehabilitation of deteriorated structures and amenities.

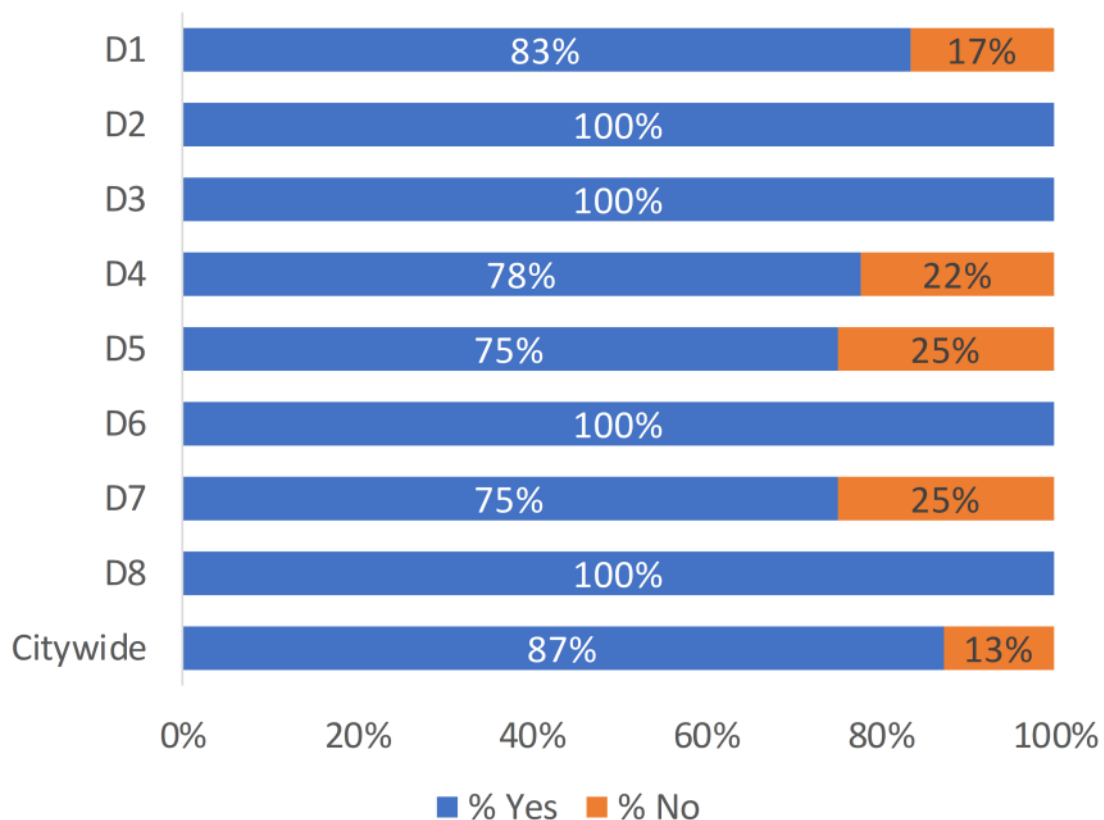


N = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Human Services - Employment Connection: \$89,000

Add a Workforce Development Specialist position to link with rapid rehousing programs to incorporate employment support by providing direct client services for individuals experiencing homelessness to better access employment benefits and training. This will support a key goal of the Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan by helping to achieve seamless, comprehensive, and integrated access to services.

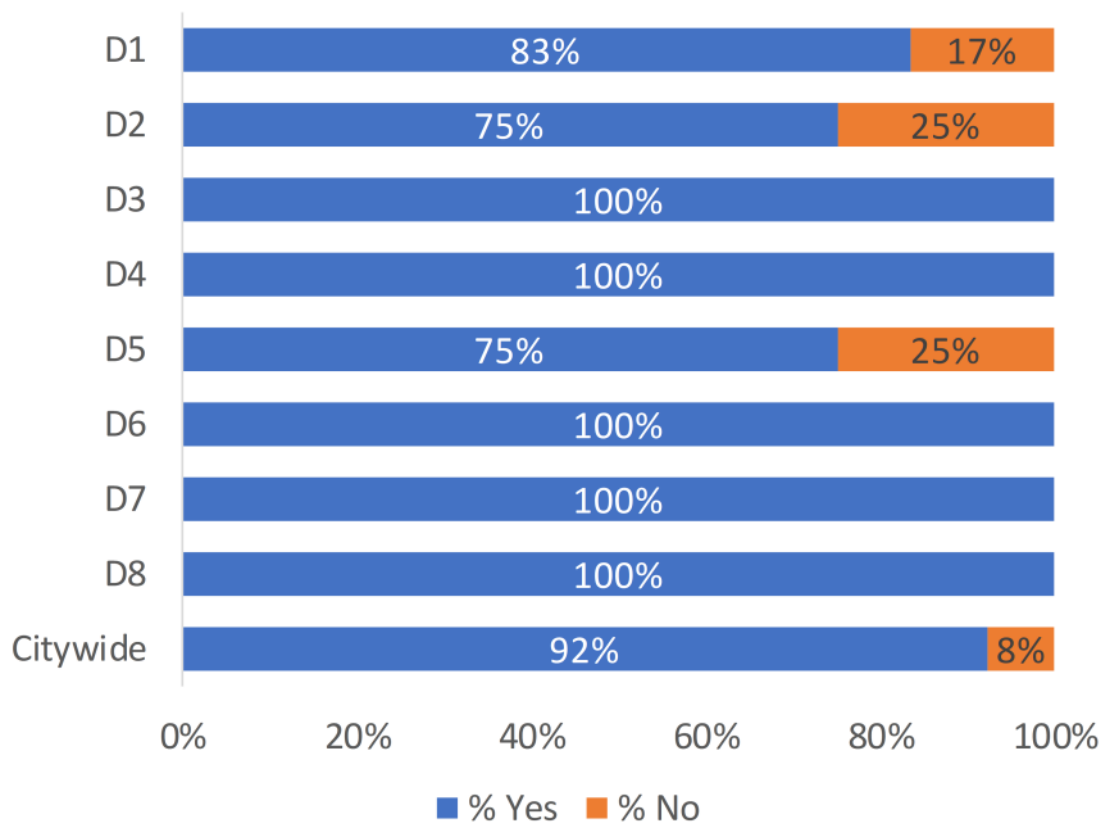


N = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Human Services - Homelessness Strategy Support: \$88,000

Add an Administrative Assistant I position to support the Homeless Services Division by assisting with monitoring federal regulatory requirements for grant funds, contract and fiscal compliance as well as various administrative tasks needed to support the programs around the Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan.

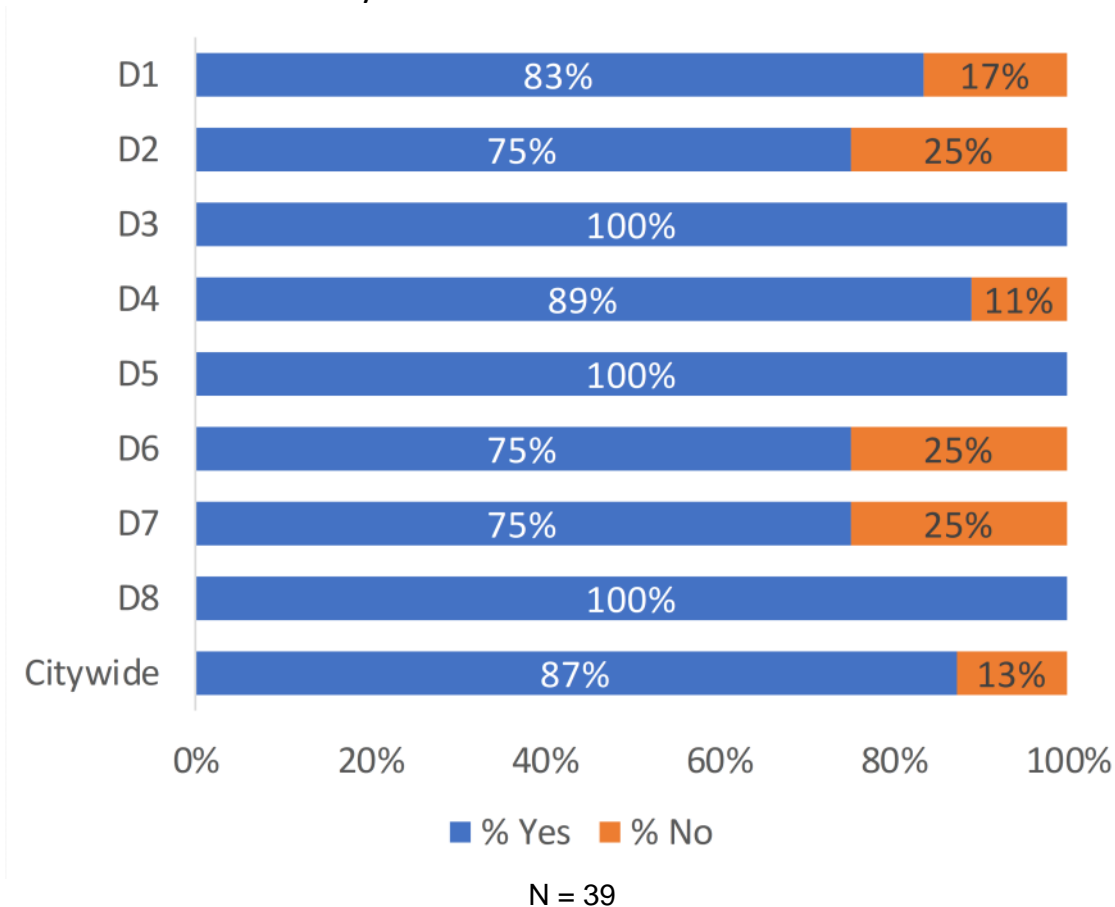


N = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Neighborhood Services - Neighborhood Specialist Homeless Strategies: \$99,000

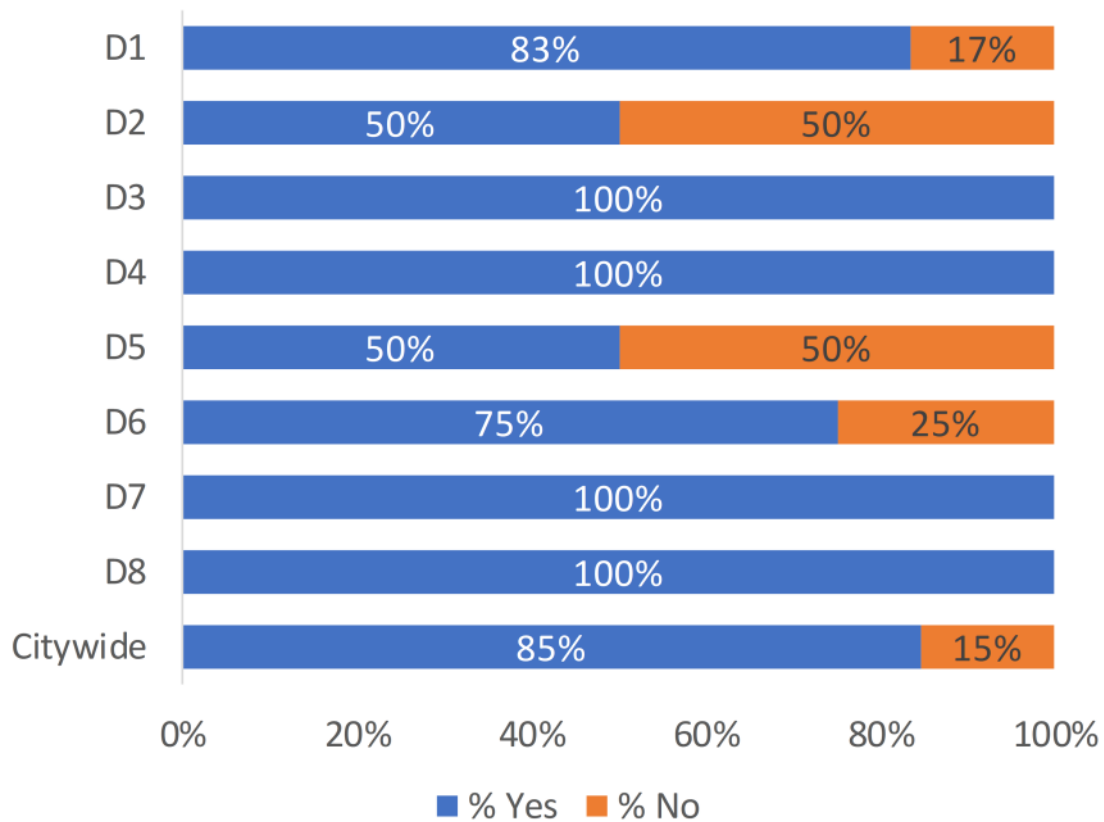
Add a Neighborhood Specialist position to serve within a three-mile radius of the Human Services Campus. This position will work with businesses and neighborhoods to provide better communication, as well as a more coordinated team effort within the surrounding area by assisting neighborhoods in organizing community meetings, coordinating cleanups, and working with other City departments, partner agencies and the business community to bring needed resources to the community.



Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Public Works - Human Services Campus Clean-Ups: \$815,000

Add funding to support the coordination and expansion of the Human Services Campus Clean-Up service. The request includes adding one Supervisor and two Solid Waste Equipment Operator positions, one Rear Loader, one Articulator Loader, and one Trailer. Positions will be in the Solid Waste Division of Public Works.

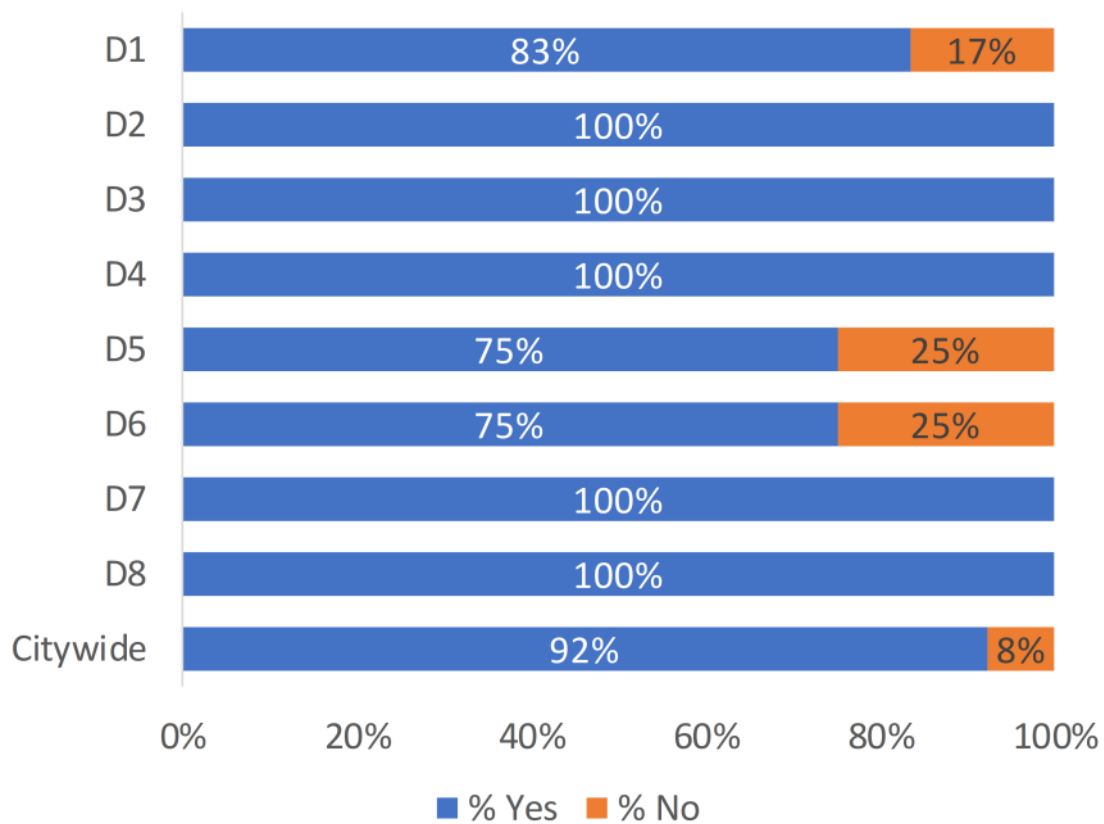


N = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Street Transportation - Street Cleaning: \$134,000

Convert federally-funded deep-cleaning process around the Human Services Campus and in the Sunnyslope area to General Fund. The process uses antibacterial chemicals and high-pressure sprayers to clean and sanitize the sidewalks and right-of-way surrounding the HSC facility and the right-of-way in the area of 10th Street and Hatcher. Service is completed once or twice a month.



N = 39

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

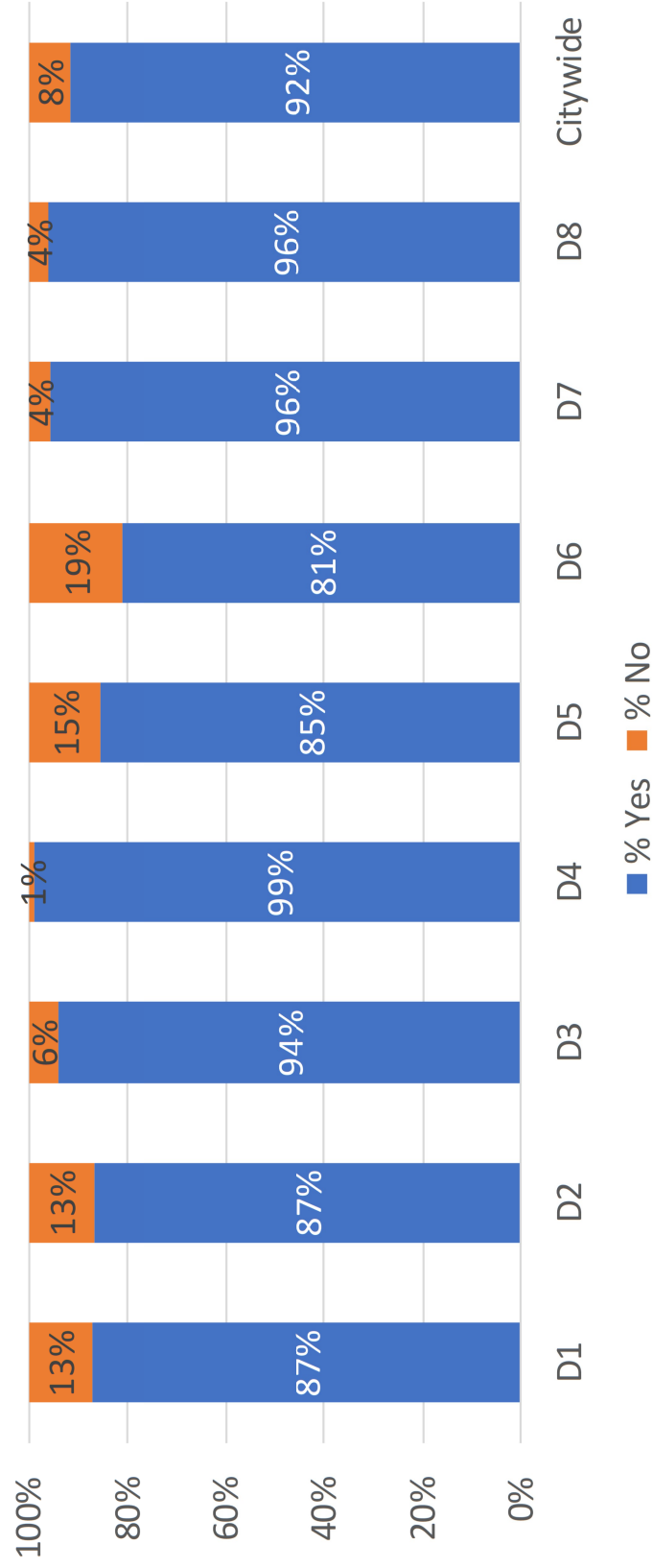
Comments:

1. Elizabeth Kieran (District 1) stressed the importance of mixed-income housing on City property, including duplexes, casitas, and other forms of housing.
2. Jane Koval (District 3) requested additional funding for affordable housing and safe zones for individuals experiencing homelessness.
3. Tracy Adams (District 4) stated that the faith-based community would be better positioned than an Affordable Housing Project Manager to partner with the City to integrate the homeless population into the community. She stated that affordable housing programs do not solve the social issues causing homelessness, but creates and continues generational homelessness. Ms. Adams stated that the City should partner with the Phoenix Rescue Mission to achieve rehabilitation and break the cycle of homelessness.
4. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) stated that Human Services Employment Connection should be contracted out to non-profits. She stressed the importance of Neighborhood Services Neighborhood Specialist Homeless Strategies.
5. Julie Degraffenreid (District 5) stated that more money should be allocated to shelters and housing rather than permanent clean-up staff.
6. Smith Jones (District 5) stated that the Affordable Housing Manager should have a lower salary and that section 8 housing apartments on Glendale Road between 19th and 15th Avenue, as well as the section 8 apartments on 17th Avenue should be torn down.



Building Community and Responding to Growth: \$2,973,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the Building Community and Responding to Growth category, by district

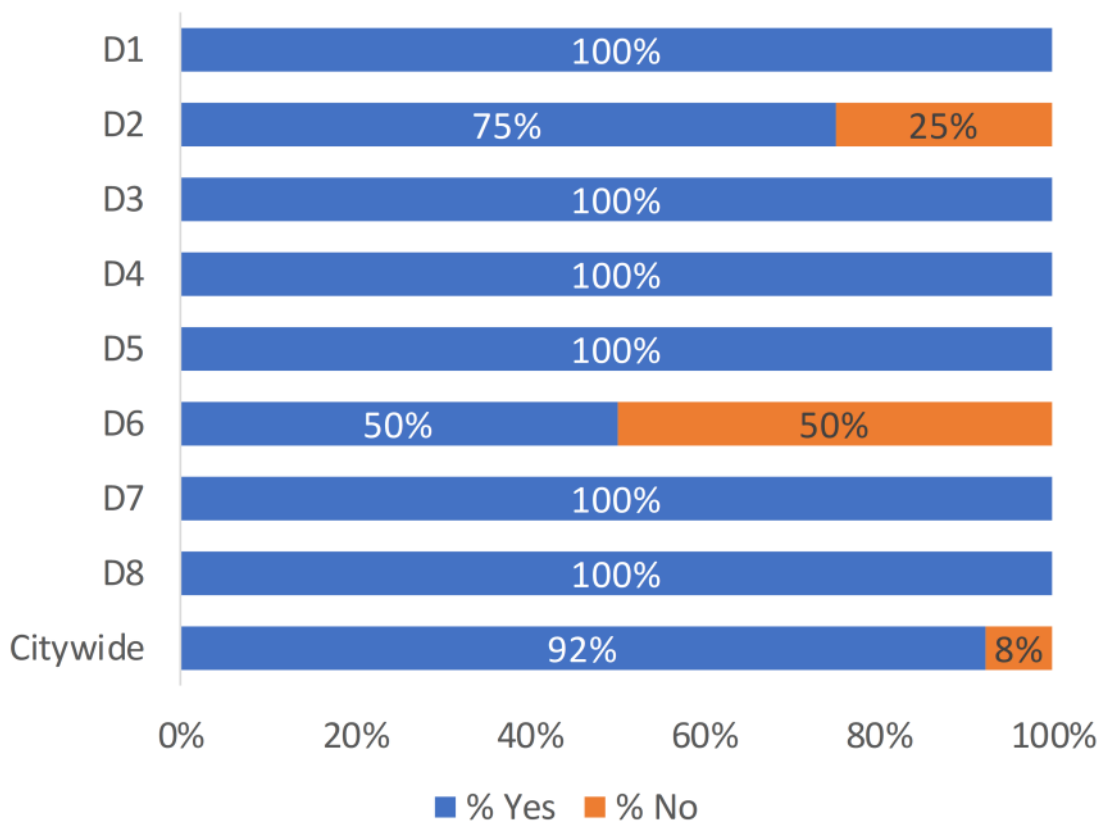


number of submissions (N) = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Community and Economic Development - Retail Revitalization: \$301,000

Add funding for one Special Project Administrator and one Economic Development Program Manager to support Citywide retail revitalization projects. The positions will facilitate small business growth, redevelopment, and potential new development, including infill of commercial properties.

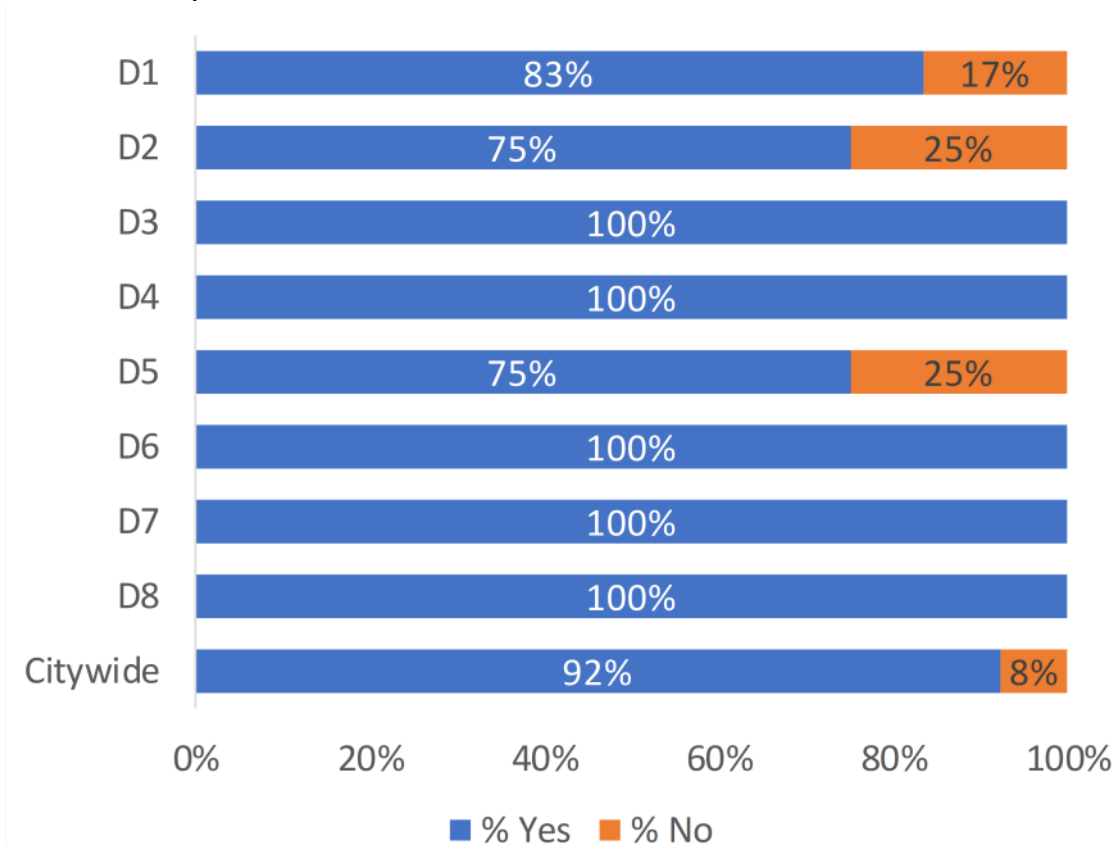


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Library - College Depot Expansion: \$210,000

Add an Administrative Assistant II position and a Caseworker II position for the expansion of the College Depot program to accommodate growing demand for additional GED classes, ACT/SAT prep classes, and one-on-one counseling appointments. The program expansion is projected to serve 291 additional students, offer 103 additional classes, and increase the one-on-one GRIT appointments by 546 hours.

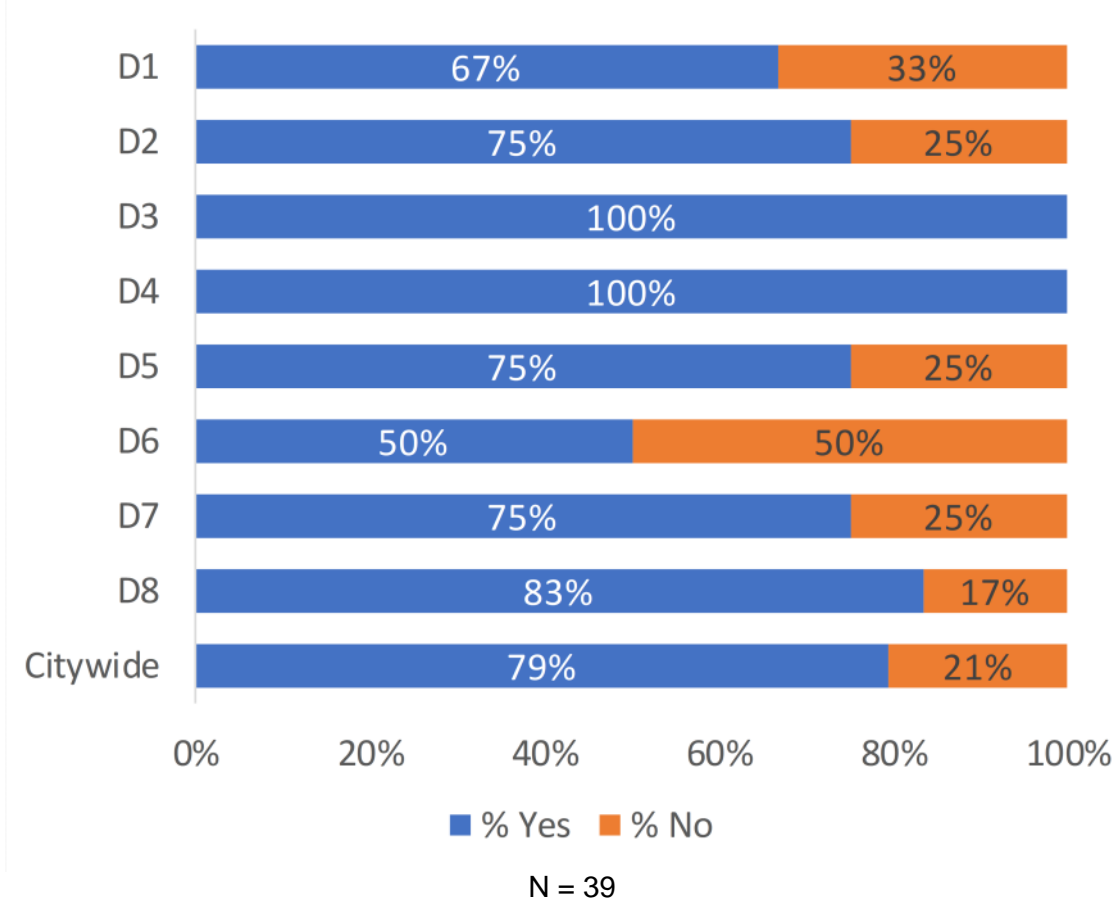


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Arts and Culture - Arts Grants: \$110,000

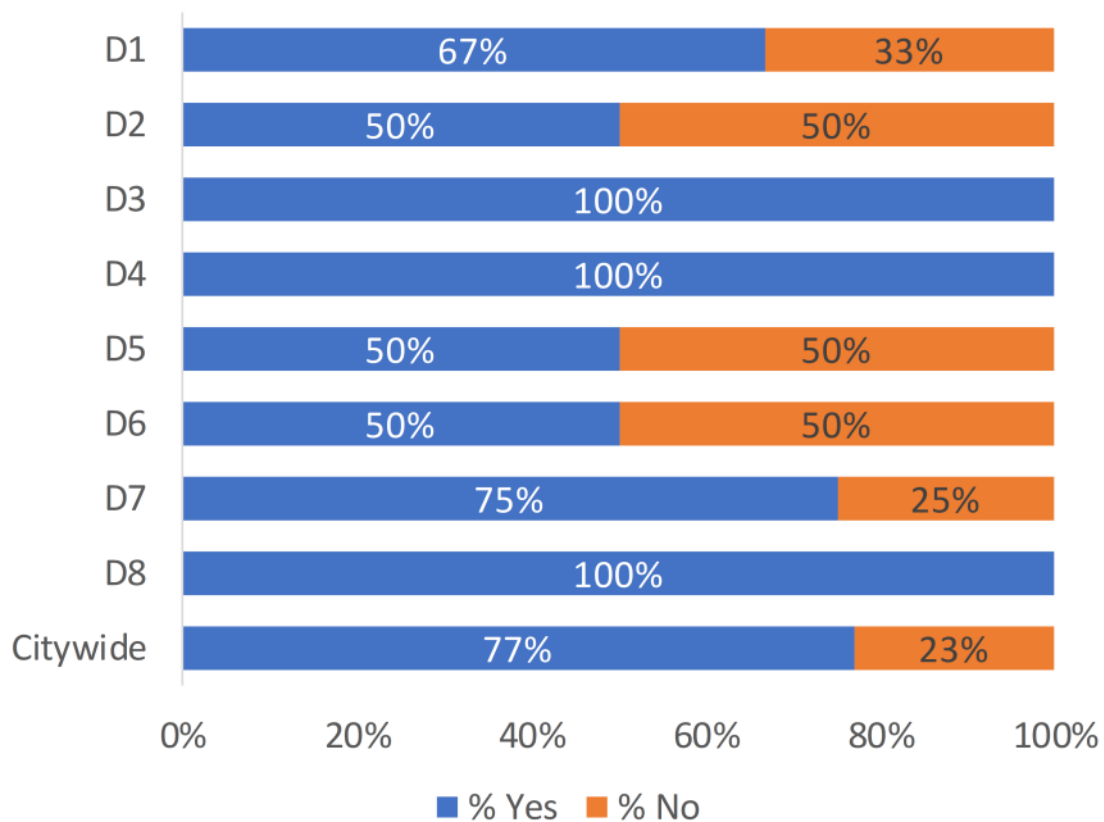
Increase funding for arts grants for nonprofit arts and cultural organizations. Arts grants enable artists, arts and culture organizations, youth, and neighborhood groups to carry out high-quality arts programming for all residents.



Building Community and Responding to Growth

Arts and Culture - Arts Engagement: \$30,000

Add funding for youth arts and culture development programs, professional development and technical assistance for artists and arts administrators, and pop-up programming around the City to promote the Latino Cultural Center. This funding will supplement increasingly unreliable funding from the State of Arizona.

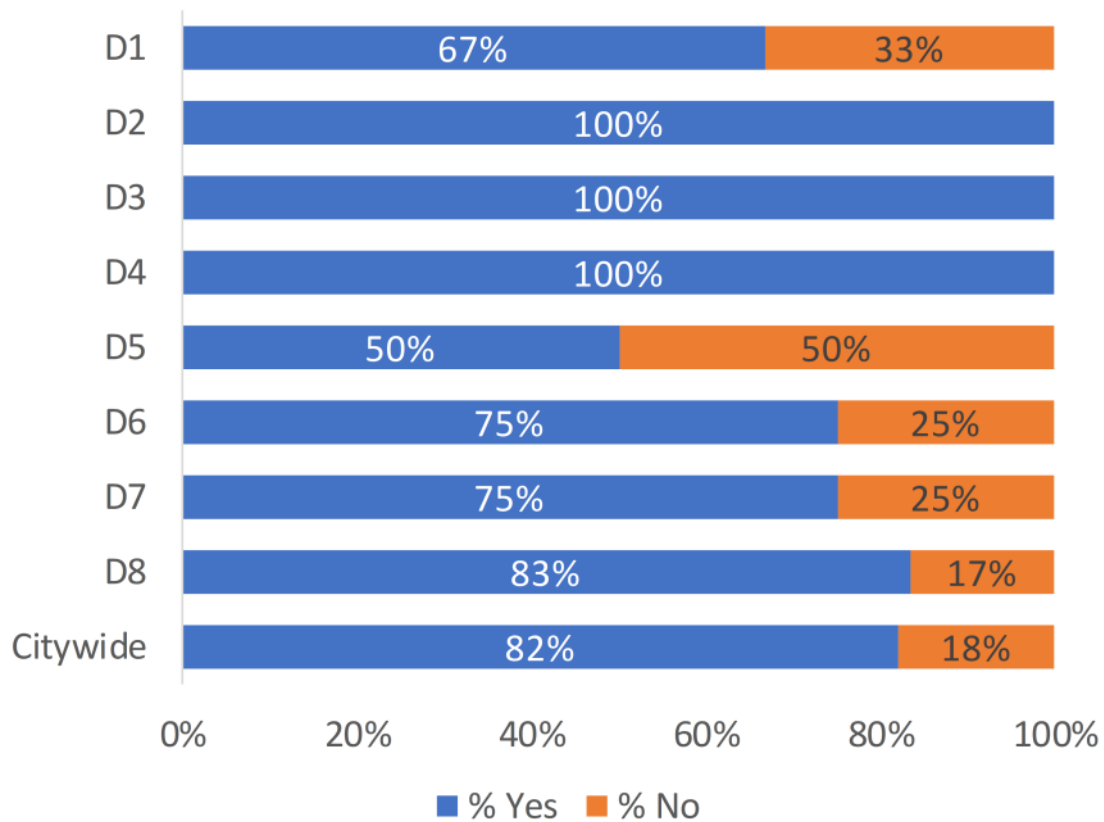


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Arts and Culture - Public Art Maintenance: \$60,000

Increase funding for public art maintenance which would allow residents to enjoy the collection, showcase the City's initial investment, and help avoid safety issues with artwork in the community. Maintenance includes lighting upgrades, annual maintenance, and renovations to address wear and damage. The public art collection includes over 200 art installations.

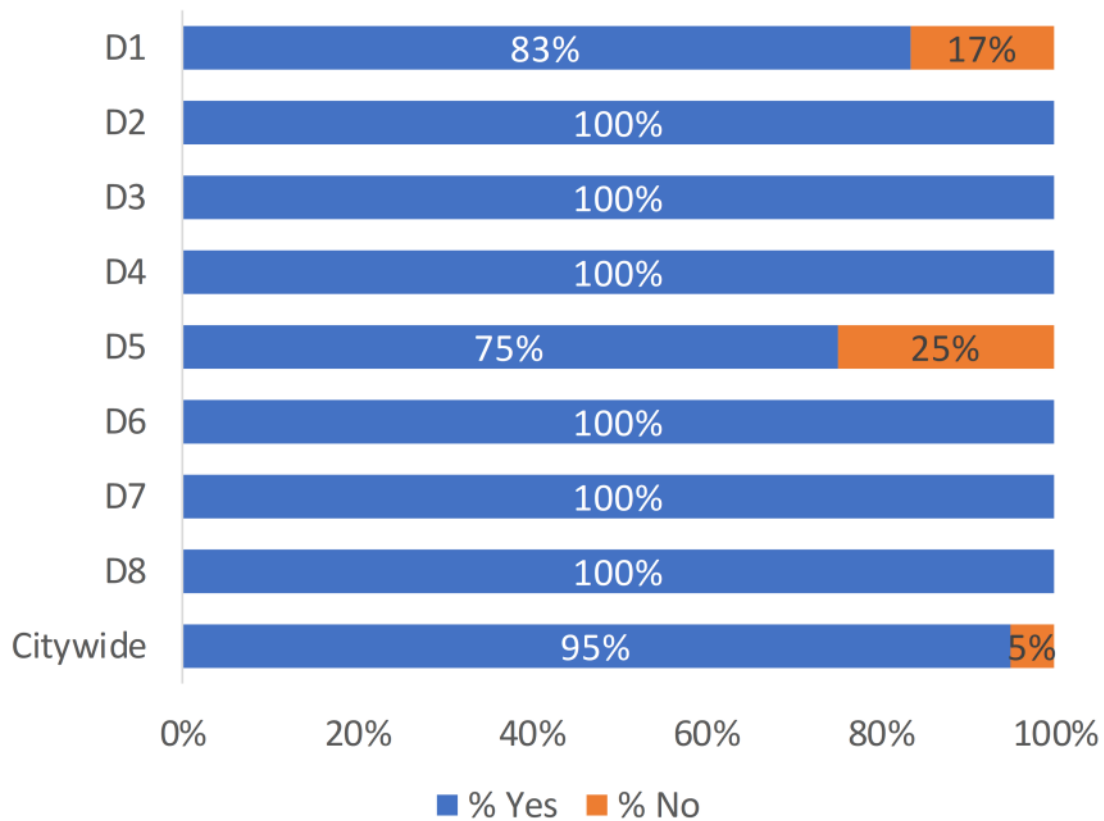


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Cesar Chavez Community Center: \$911,000

Add staff and supplies for the new Cesar Chavez Community Center, scheduled to open in the fall of 2021. The Cesar Chavez Community Center will offer a variety of activities to the general public. These activities will include special events, sports programs, specialty classes, adaptive/inclusive programs, out-of-school time sessions, field trips, and provide meeting space for events and community groups.

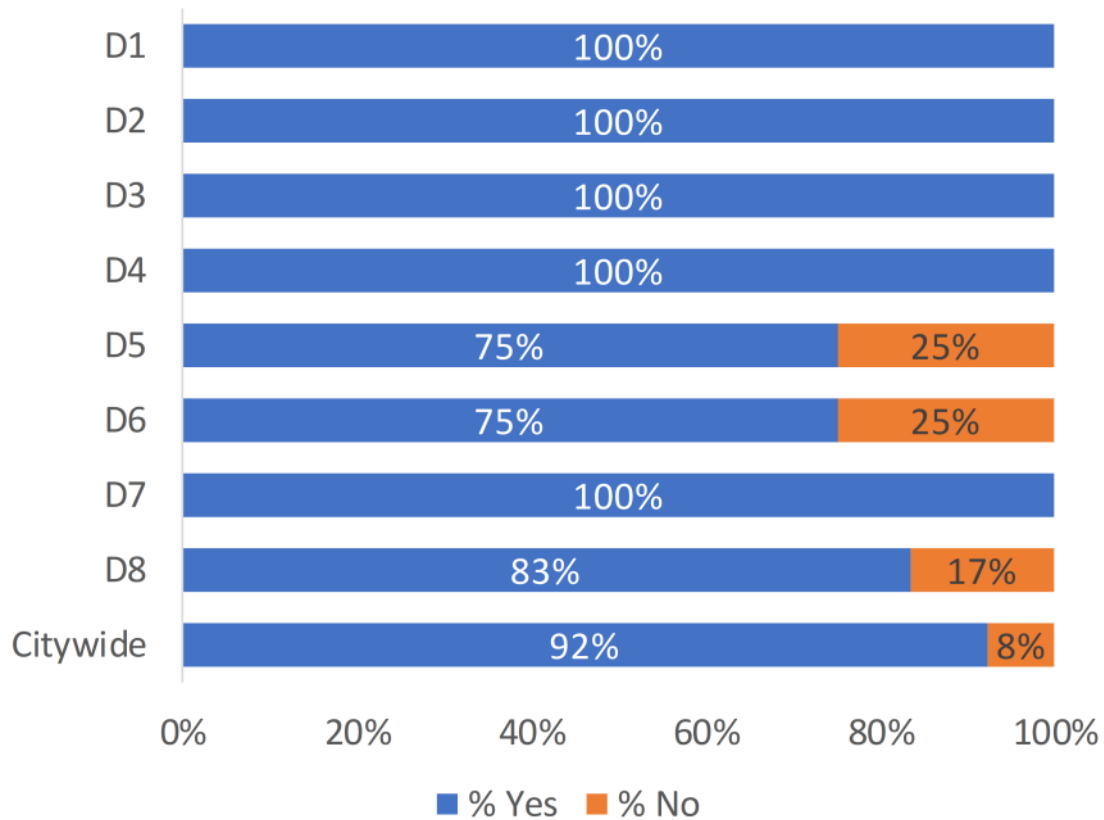


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Hance Park: \$260,000

Add staff and equipment for grounds maintenance at Margaret T. Hance Park. The Fiesta Bowl PLAY at Hance Park opened to the community in December 2020. As part of this phase, a new landscape design incorporating over 7,000 new plants and trees was added. Maintenance of this plant material will require staff with both horticultural and irrigation skills to maintain the new park amenities.

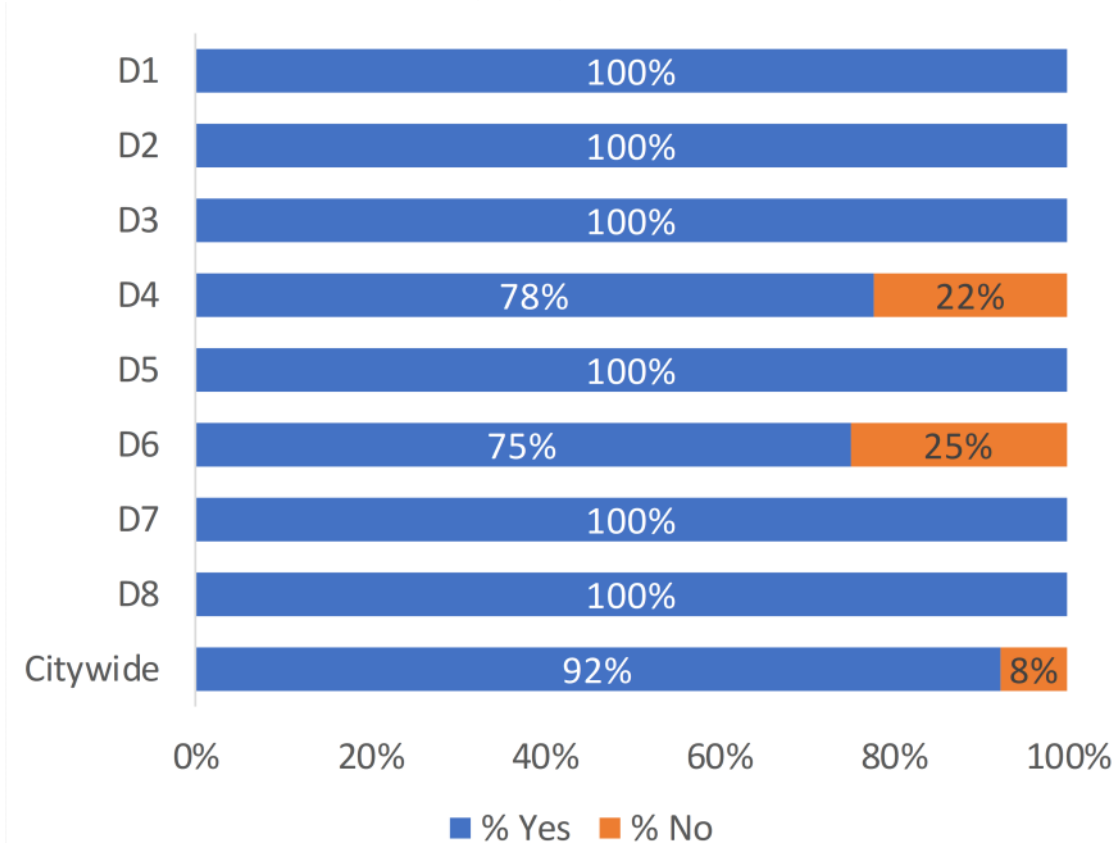


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Ranger Support: \$106,000

Add a Park Supervisor position to oversee the Urban Park Ranger Patrol Program. This position will manage daily operations, establish additional Field Operation Procedures, manage personnel issues and work directly with PhxCARES to increase contacts to individuals requiring services.

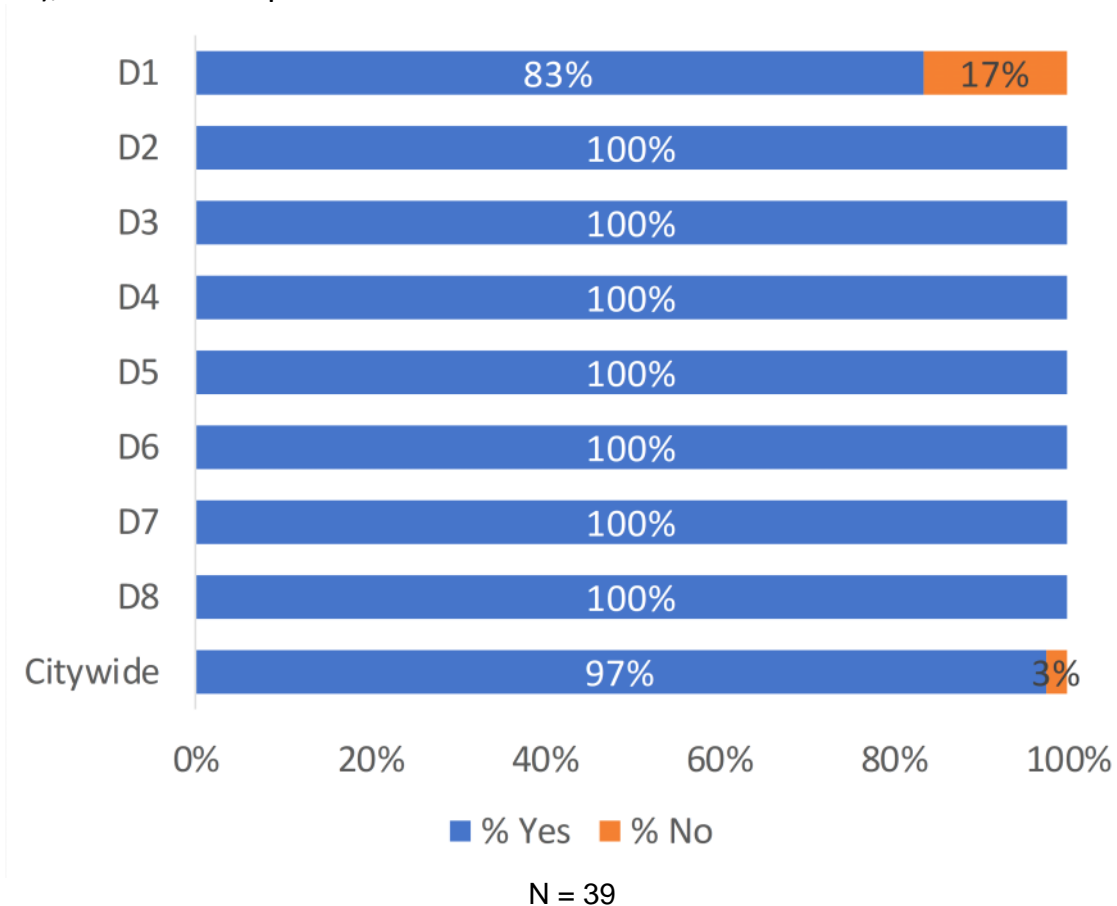


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Property Management: \$108,000

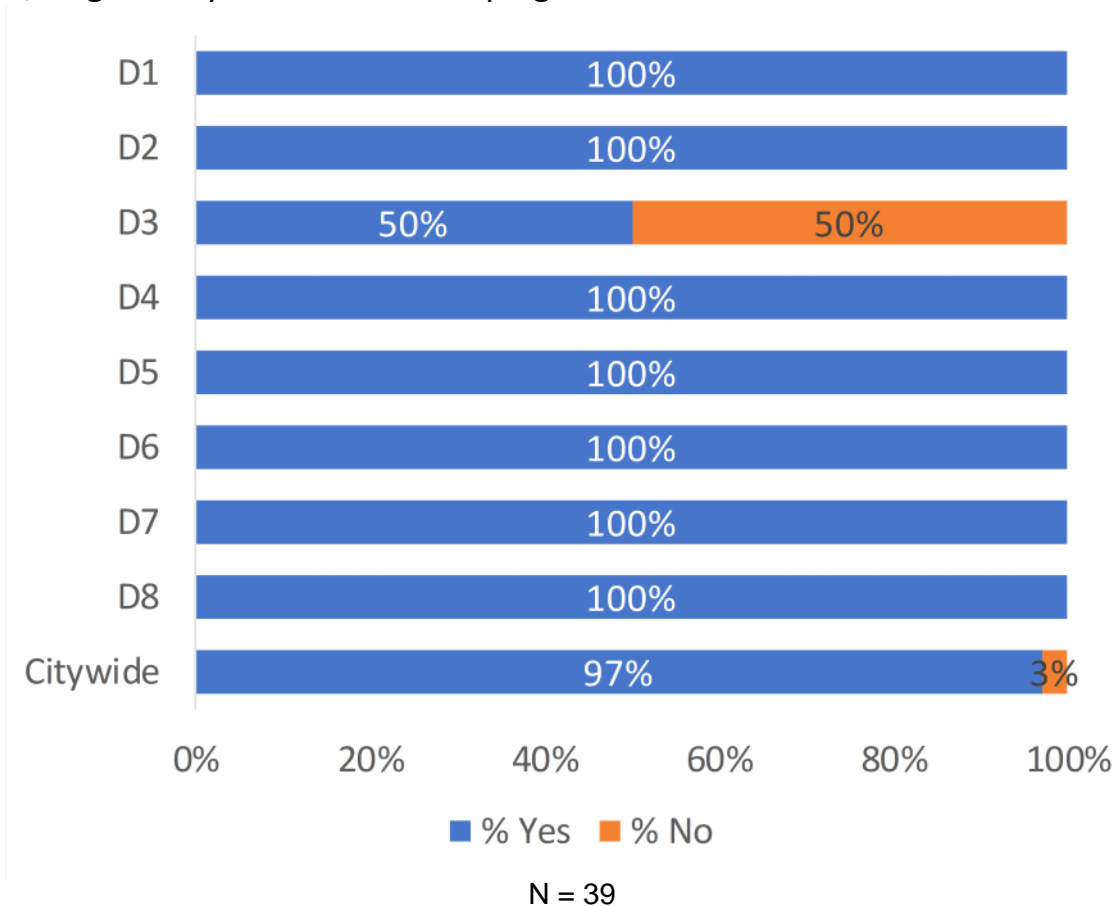
Add a Property Manager position to manage the maintenance of Parks facilities. The Parks and Recreation Department directly manages an estimated two million square-feet of indoor space, various specialty facilities (examples include: 29 public pools, South Mountain Tower site, historic buildings, museums, and Tovrea Castle), and outdoor park and trail amenities.



Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Deem Hills: \$34,000

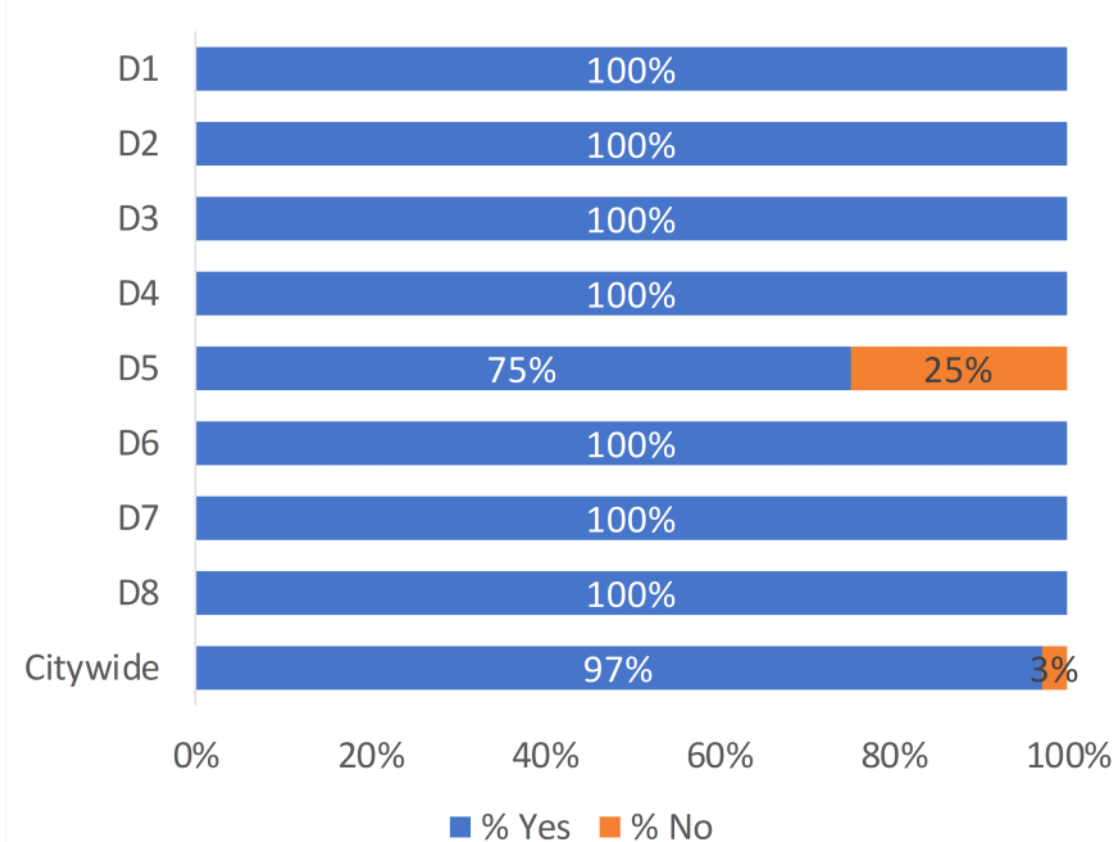
Add a part-time Groundskeeper position and supplies to maintain the Phase 3 project at Deem Hills Park, which includes: a sand volleyball court, a tennis court, pickleball courts, a large ramada, three small ramadas, a .7 mile nature trail interpretive loop, 25 additional parking stalls and other site furnishings like new trees, irrigation system and landscaping.



Building Community and Responding to Growth

Parks and Recreation - Adaptive Recreation: \$68,000

Add staff and supplies to maintain the current Adaptive/Inclusive Recreation Program with General Funds upon the expiration of the existing donations and to expand the program citywide. This program started in March 2020 and is currently funded until March 2022 based on a two-year funding commitment from the Phoenix Suns. It offers adaptive recreation services to individuals with developmental disabilities and adaptive recreation programming and inclusion services for youth and adults, their families and caregivers to enhance quality of life and to promote inclusion. Failure to continue funding this program when the donations expire will result in the program not being able to continue leaving the City without any adaptive recreation programs.

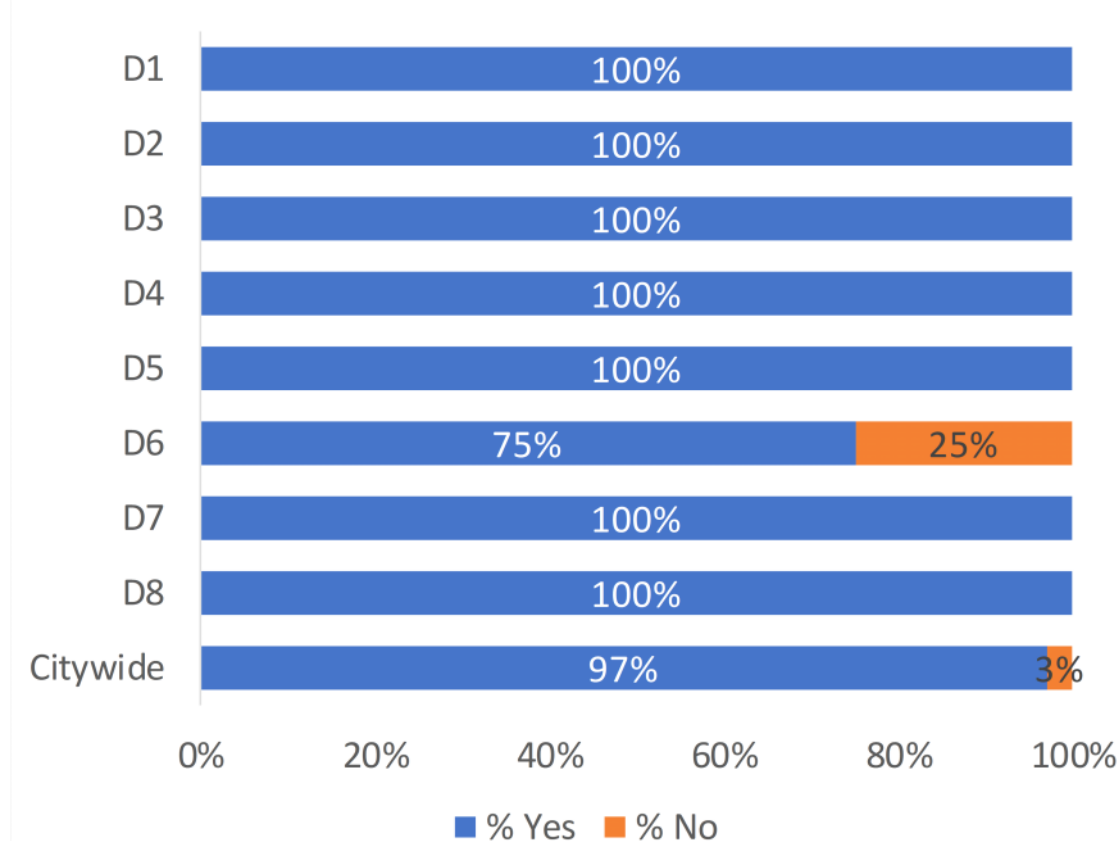


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Planning and Development - Community Planning: \$296,000

Add two Planner II positions and a Planner III position to assist with implementing City Council-adopted and community-initiated planning projects, including; Food Action Plan, Housing Phoenix Plan, Rio Salado Oeste / Rio Reimagined, Homelessness Strategies Plan, update of Downtown RDA and other Redevelopment Area Plans, CAP I-10 TOD planning, Key Corridors Master Plan, General Plan Update Report, implementation of NW Extension II Grant from the FTA for planning at Metrocenter Mall and other code and regulatory framework updating.

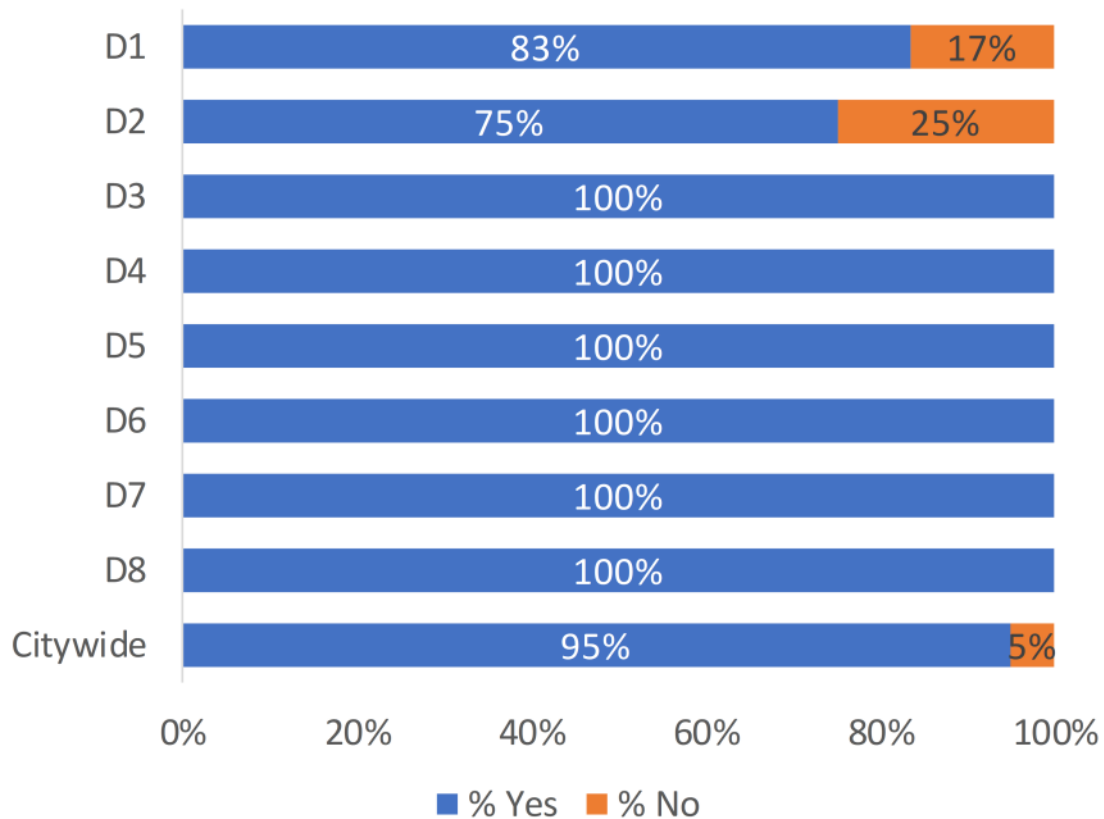


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Planning and Development - Adaptive Reuse: \$25,000

Increase funding for the Adaptive Reuse Program. The program provides resources to assist small business owners who are locating their businesses in Phoenix, and supports the City's re-energized clean construction efforts, resulting in the expanded use of underutilized/vacant existing buildings.

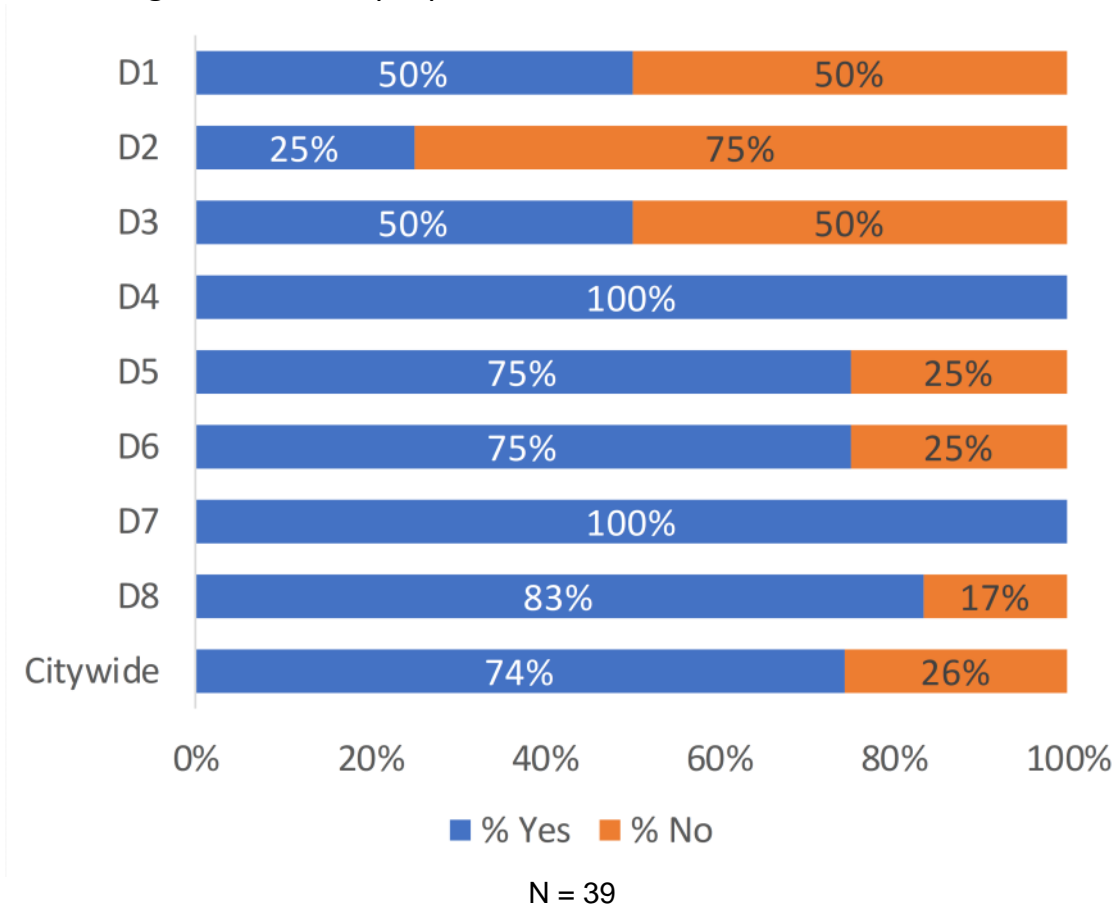


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Planning and Development - Historic Preservation: \$200,000

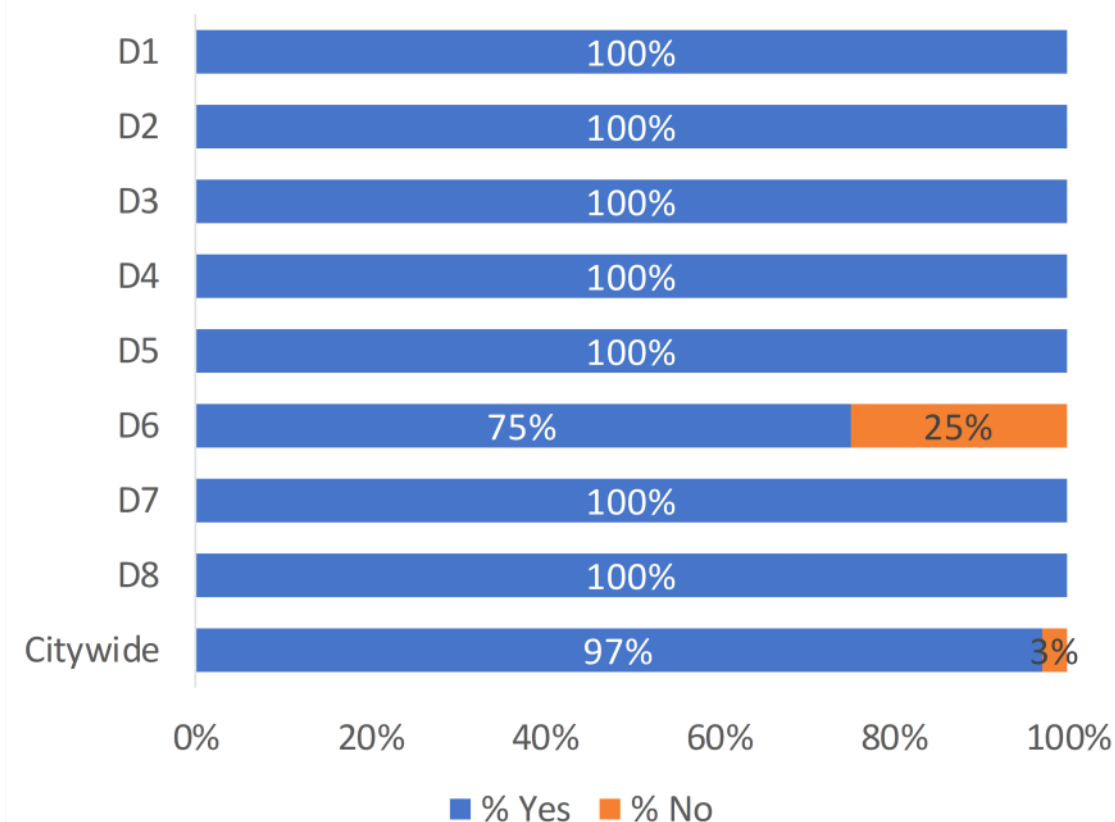
Add funding for historic preservation grants to assist residential property owners in maintaining their historic properties.



Building Community and Responding to Growth

Public Works - Flood Plain Management: \$107,000

Add one Civil Engineer II to support the Flood Plain Management program and assist in maintaining Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) compliance to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the Community Rating System (CRS) which provides insurance premium discounts for residents. This position is needed to assist in completing the increasingly complex compliance requirements.

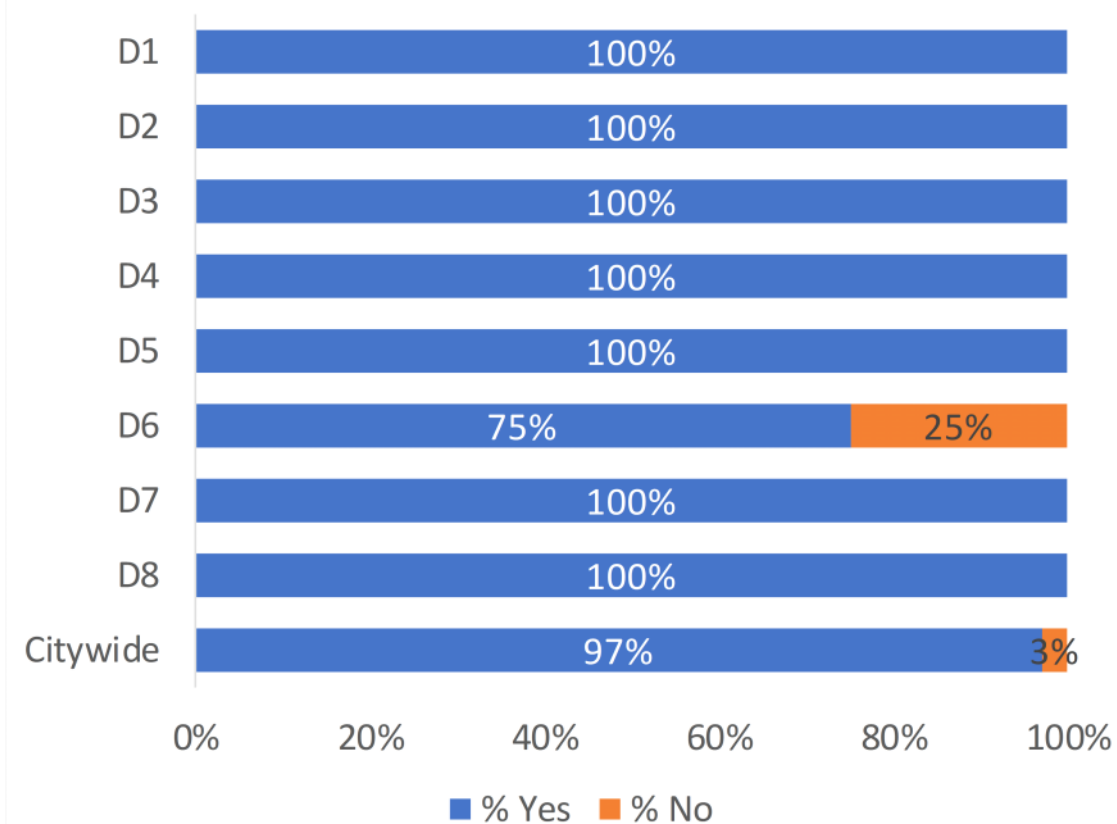


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Street Transportation - New Street Landscaping: \$147,000

Add funding to maintain street landscaping along newly developed and renovated streetscapes. This includes maintenance for new landscaping along the Grand Canal Phase II, Avenida Rio Salado from 35th Avenue to 51st Avenue, and the east side of 107th Avenue from Indian School Road to Camelback Road.

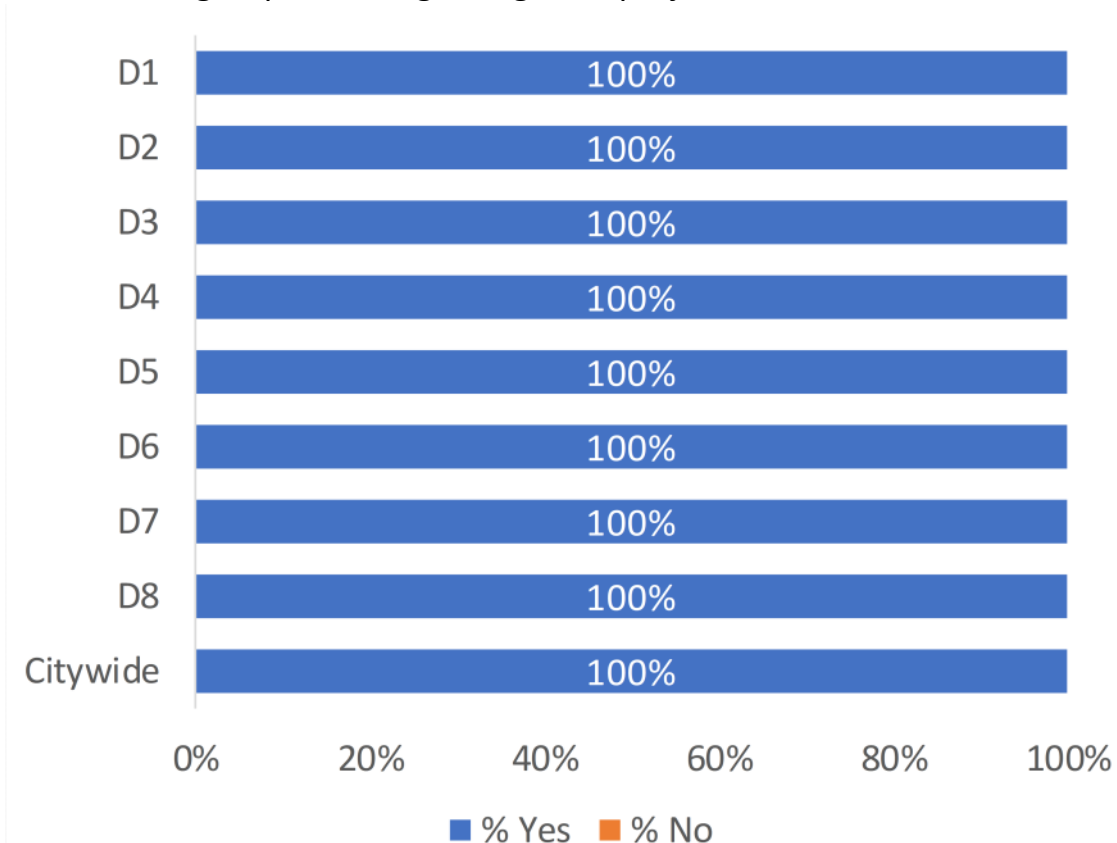


N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

Street Transportation - Public Records Support: \$0

Add an Engineering Technician position in the Central Records Section to support increased public records requests for right-of-way, City infrastructure, facilities and private development plans and maps including paving, storm drain, traffic services, and procurement and street maintenance records for the public, media and legal request. This position will be charged out to departments for whom records are being requested regarding their projects.



N = 39

Building Community and Responding to Growth

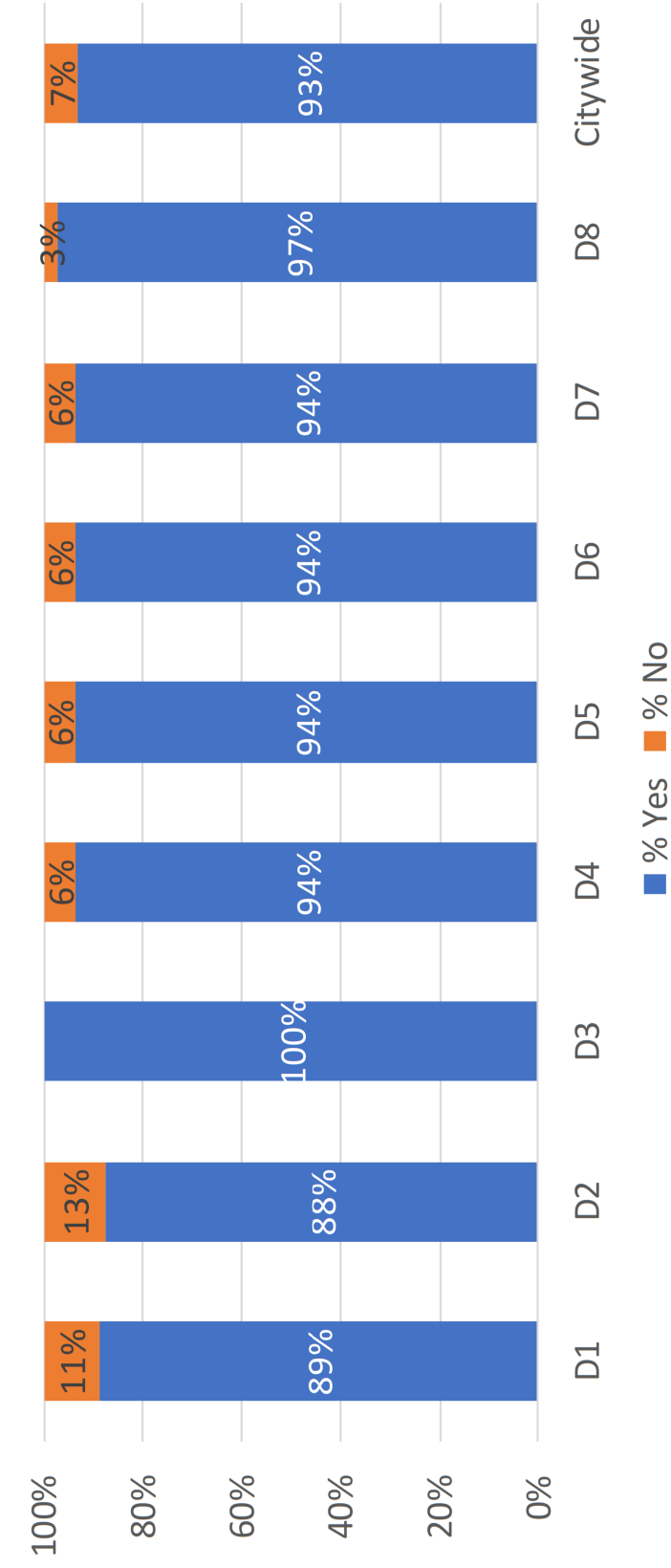
Comments:

1. Jane Koval (District 3) requested additional funding for Parks and Recreation Property Management. She stated that other parks in lower socio-economic areas should receive funding before Deem Hills. Ms. Koval stated she was in opposition to additional funding for historic preservation.
2. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) stated that Police should provide community outreach on Parks-related issues and Park Rangers should be eliminated. She requested additional funding for street landscaping and the Phoenix Climate Action Plan. Ms. Rodriguez stated that Street Transportation staff should adopt mill and overlay recommendations from the City Auditor, provide greater transparency, and correct ADA issues on 16th Street and Osborn, 12th Street and Indian School, and 2nd Avenue and Grant.
3. Julie Degraffenreid (District 5) stated that College Depot should be expanded beyond Burton Barr and expressed her disappointment that the Fiesta Bowl was not paying to maintain Hance Park.
4. Owen Swenson (District 6) requested additional funding for Arts and Culture Public Art Maintenance. He stated that the arts are vital to a progressive city and do not receive enough support, particularly for performing and visual arts. Mr. Swenson suggested reallocating funding from Police, Fire, or Parks and Recreation to better fund the arts. He suggested that instead of funding Historic Preservation grants the City should either purchase historic properties able to become self-sustaining properties or designate properties historic landmarks to be maintained by private owners. Mr. Swenson suggested contracting-out the Flood Plain Management and Street Transportation Public Records Support positions.
5. Linda Abegg (District 8) stated that any money for Historic Preservation would be better utilized on infrastructure that would benefit thousands of people, rather than expenses for a few individuals.



Administrative Accountability: \$3,074,000

The percent of residents indicating "yes" or "no" for the Administrative Accountability category, by district

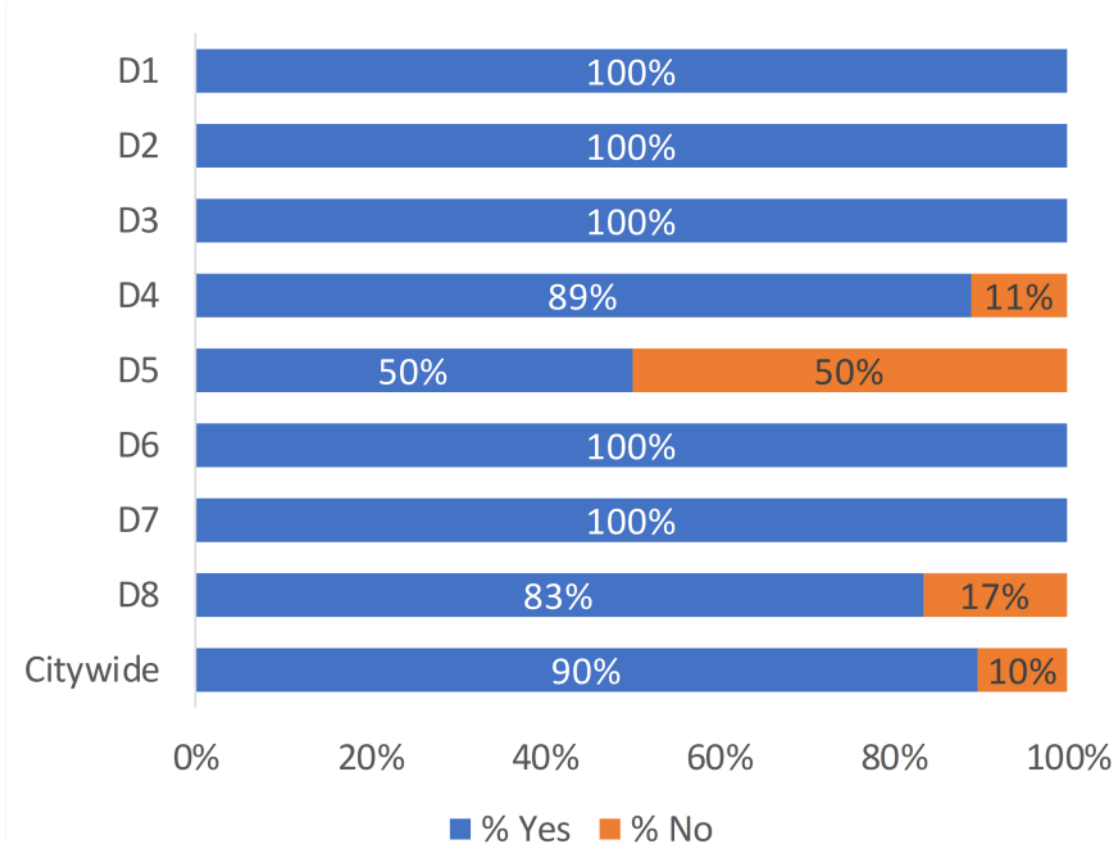


number of submissions (N) = 39

Administrative Accountability

City Clerk - Election Transparency: \$300,000

Add funding for consulting services to perform a strategic assessment of the City's election services information technology needs. This would include the evaluation of the existing application portfolio and the development of a strategic, multi-year plan. Additional requests for funding will follow in future years, once an overall information technology strategy is approved. Improving the information systems supporting election services will enable the City to meet the need for increased transparency in elections, and for voters, candidates and elected officials to more easily engage in the elections process.

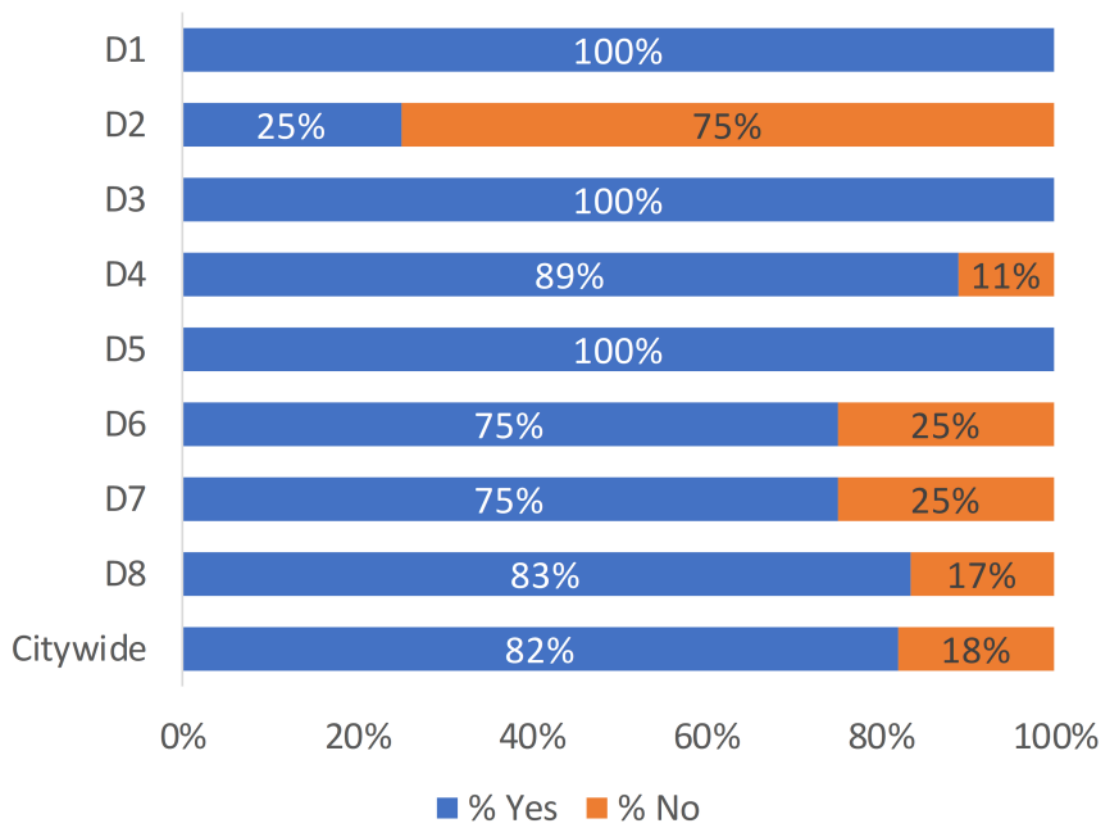


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

City Manager's Office - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: \$272,000

Add an Assistant to the City Manager position to act as the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer and an Administrative Assistant I position to provide administrative support. This new office will be charged with ensuring equitable distribution of City services throughout the entire City and serve as the champion for delivering racial equity programs for the community.

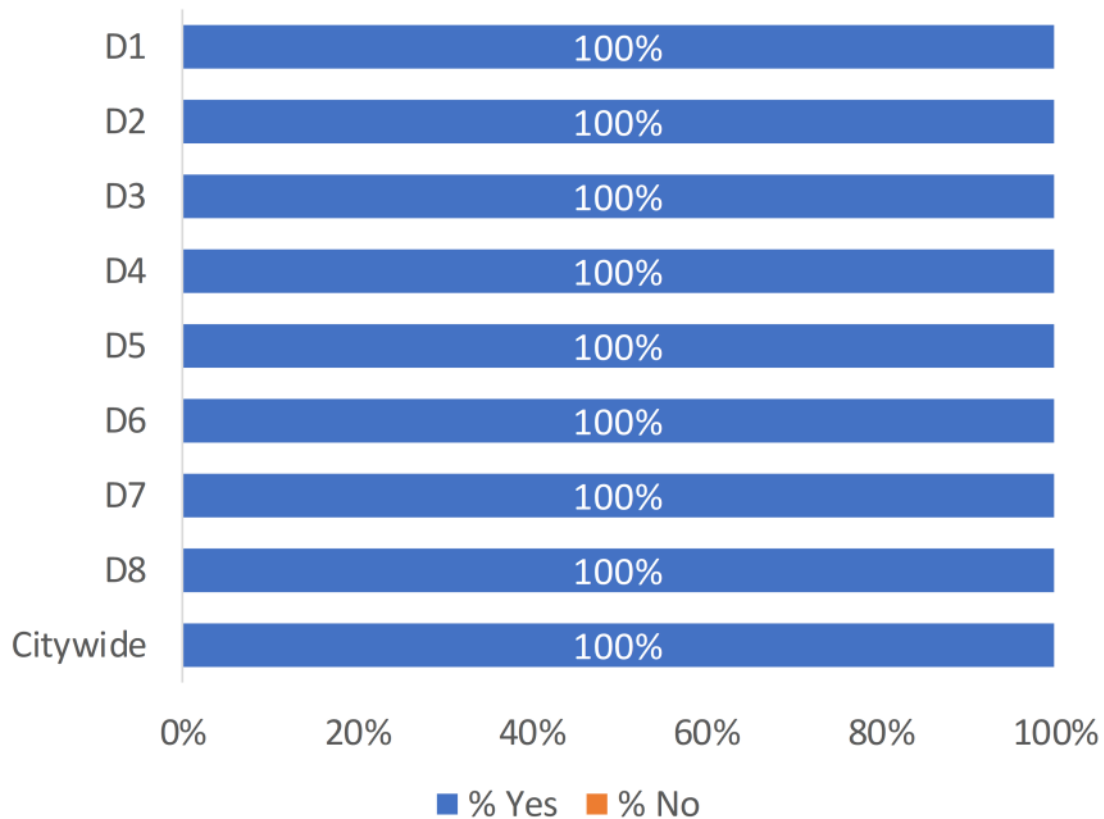


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Communications - Citywide Public Records Support: \$94,000

Add a Management Assistant I position to assist with tracking and responding to public records requests. In the last several years the volume of records requests has increased by more than 60% to over 9,500 per year. Adding this position will allow for the maintenance of service levels.

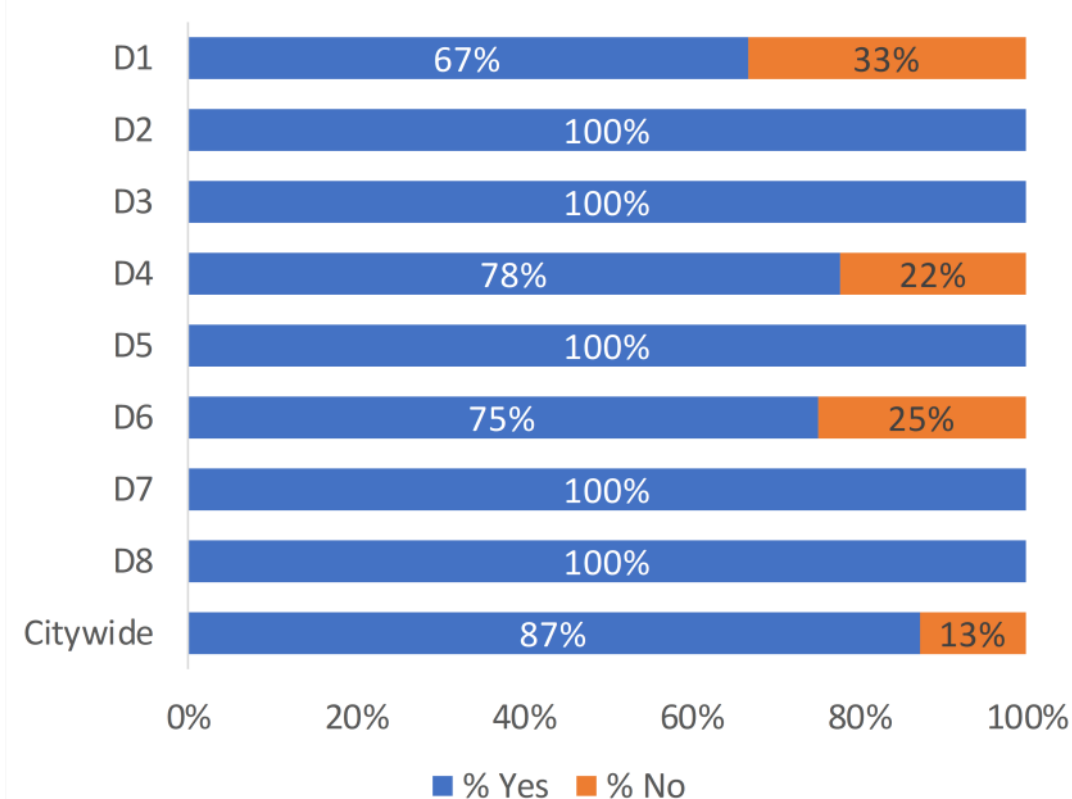


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Human Resources - HR Support: \$391,000

Add three positions for procurement, data management, and investigations. A Contracts Specialist II Lead position to conduct formal procurement processes and manage contracts. Contract monitoring and administration is critical to ensure contractors perform in accordance with the City's terms and conditions and with satisfactory performance. A Human Resources Officer position to conduct investigations as a result of the increase in Citywide complaints in recent years. These complaints have been received through a variety of sources including departments, employees, citizens, and through the internal integrity line. A Lead Business Systems Analyst position to create and collect data, convert raw data into meaningful information, make recommendations to various levels of City staff, and facilitate or participate in work groups tasked with making business improvements.

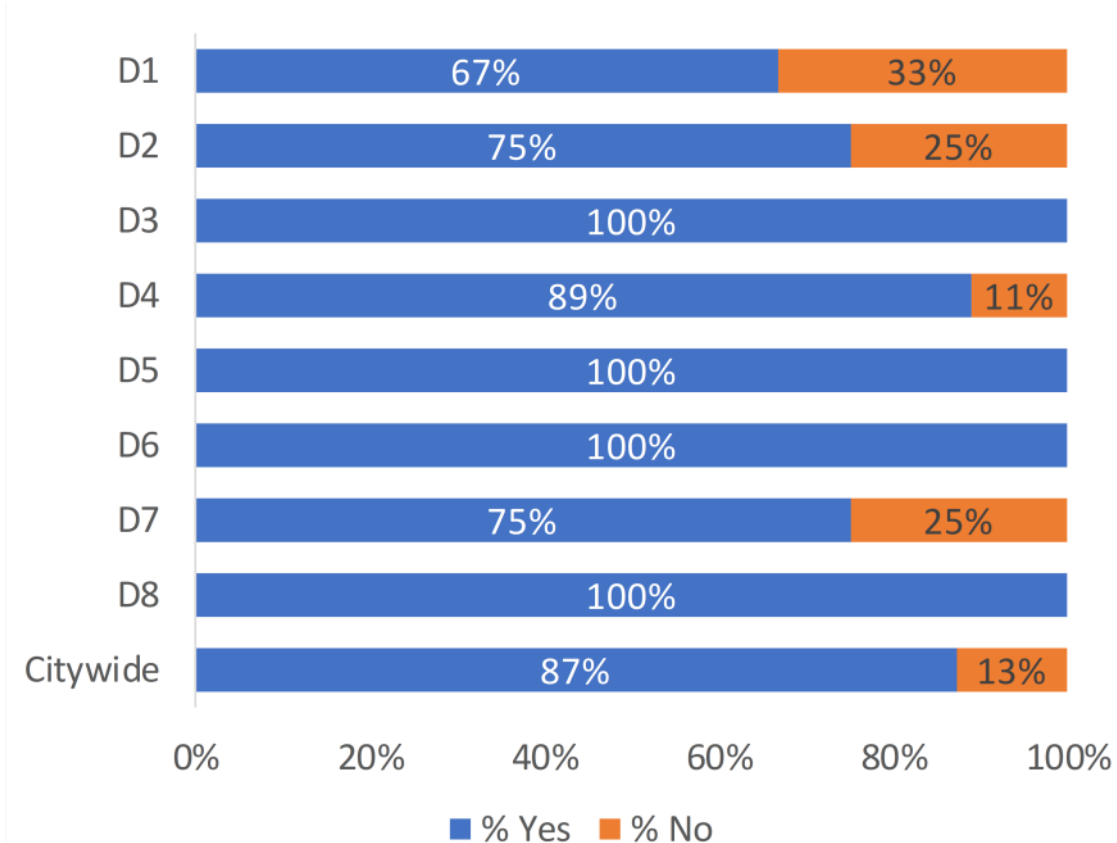


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Information Technology Services -
Enterprise Resource Planning System Support: \$750,000

Add contractual funding for a managed services agreement with a technology provider specializing in Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems. This support is needed to bridge the technical expertise gap in existing City personnel who support the City's SAP and Peoplesoft ERP systems. The agreement will be to provide an ERP program manager, business analyst, technical leader and other needed services in an effort to improve processes and implement system advancements.

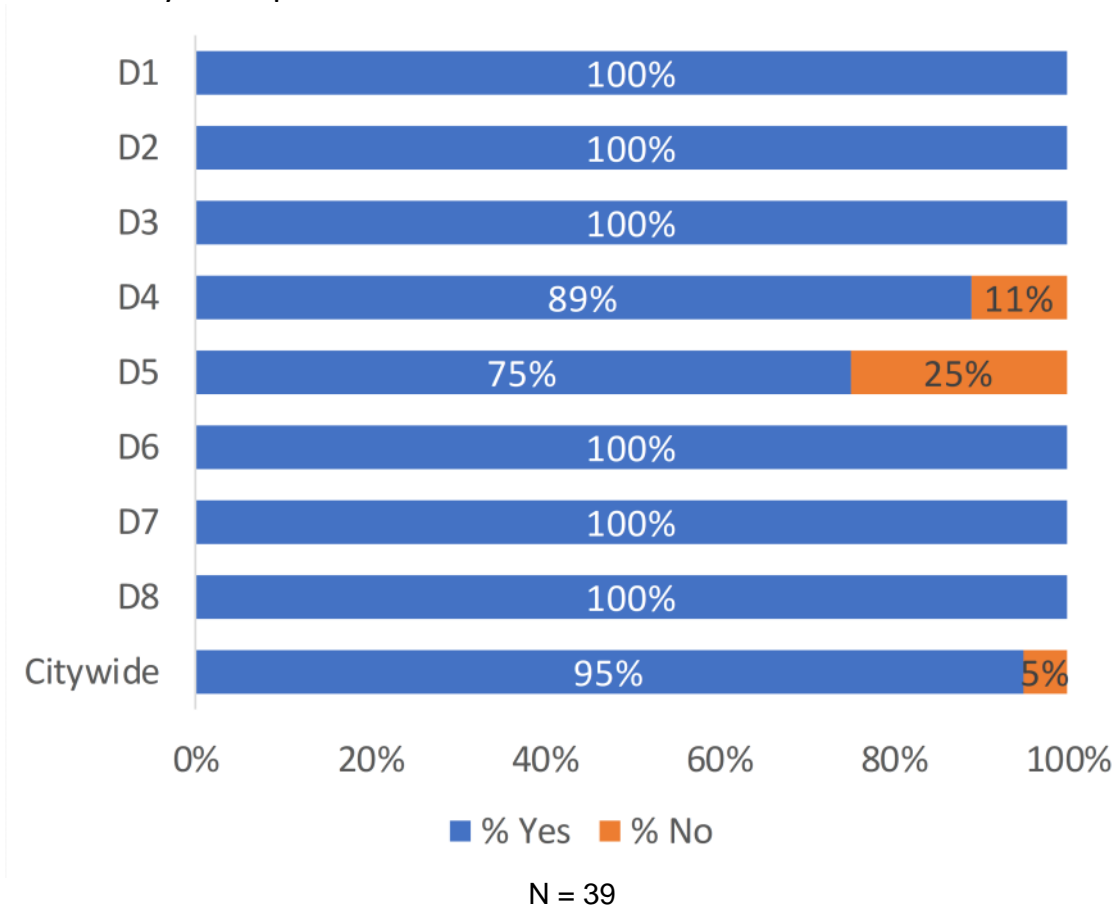


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Information Technology Services - IT Information Security: \$523,000

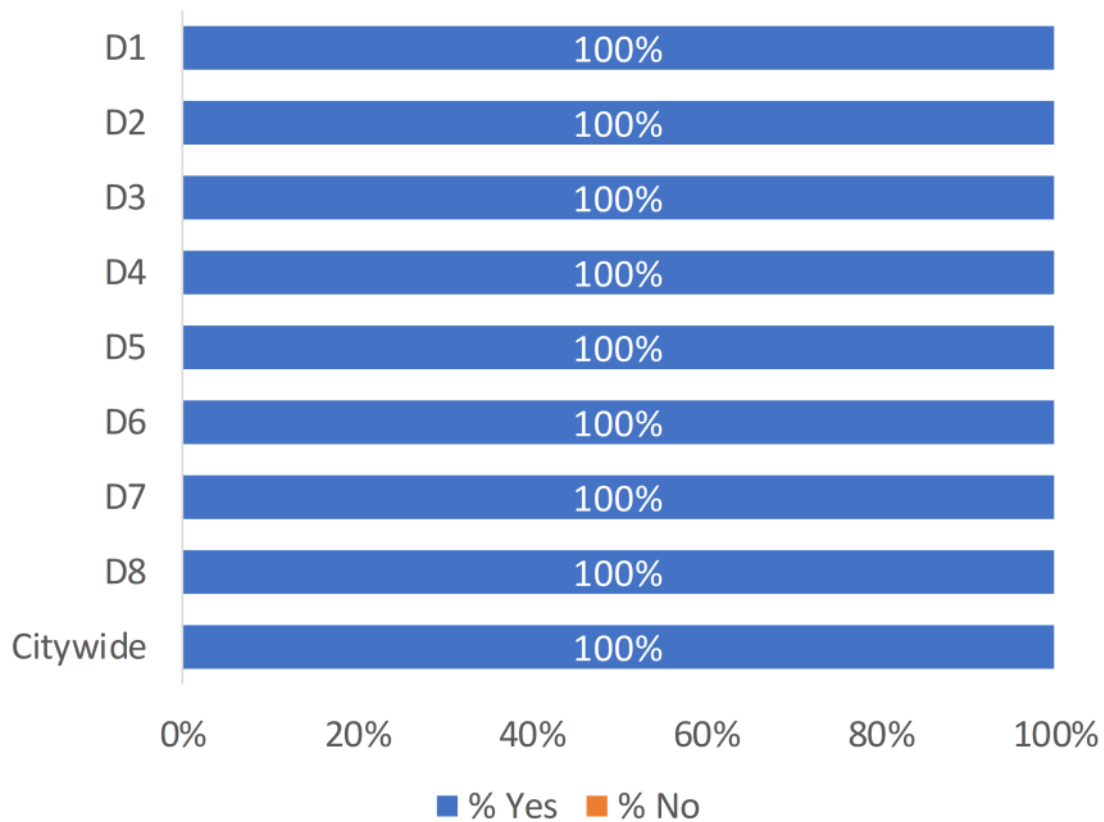
Add one Lead Information Technology Systems Specialist and two Senior Information Technology Systems Specialist positions to support the City's growing technology infrastructure. These critical positions are needed to lead infrastructure and application vulnerability remediation efforts that mitigate known security and operational deficiencies.



Administrative Accountability

Law - In-source Legal Support: \$0

Convert contractual services for paralegal support to create two Legal Assistant positions. The Law Department utilizes a paralegal contract for support of civil litigation cases. It was determined that hiring two full-time employees and reducing the contracted services results in a cost-savings and greater efficiency of services.

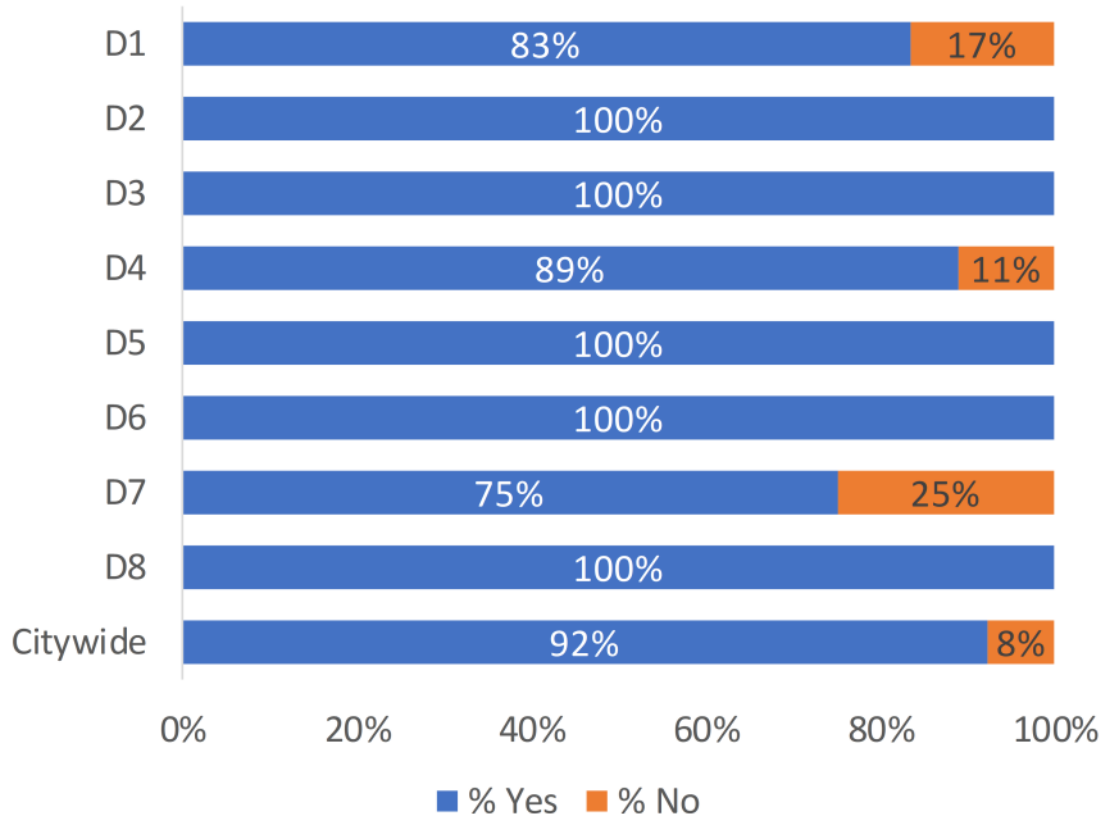


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Library - Library IT Support: \$306,000

Add two information technology positions to support expanded technology services. Positions include a Lead Information Technology Systems Specialist to manage teams that support 60 applications, 1,000 public access computers, and multiple platforms for 17 libraries; and a User Technology Specialist position to support new programs to reach customers remotely such as the public laptop lending program.

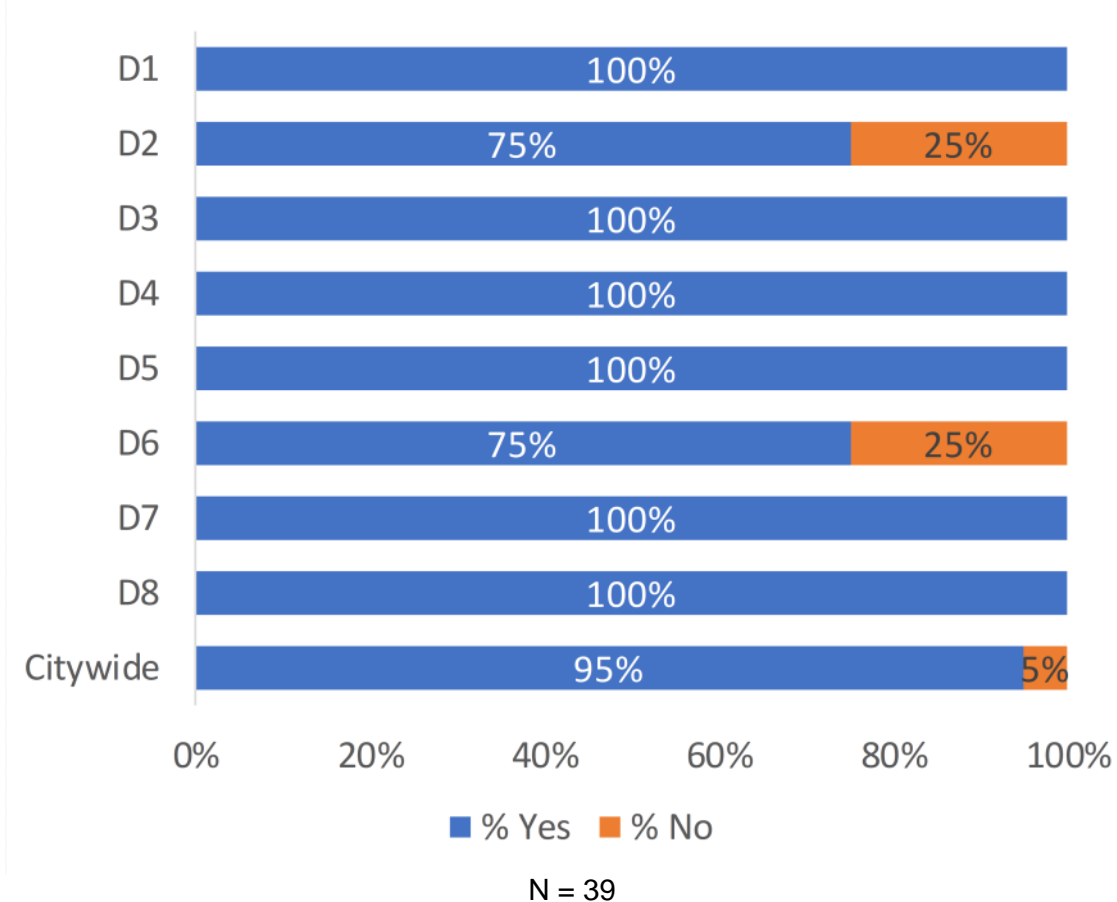


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Library - Library Accountability: \$93,000

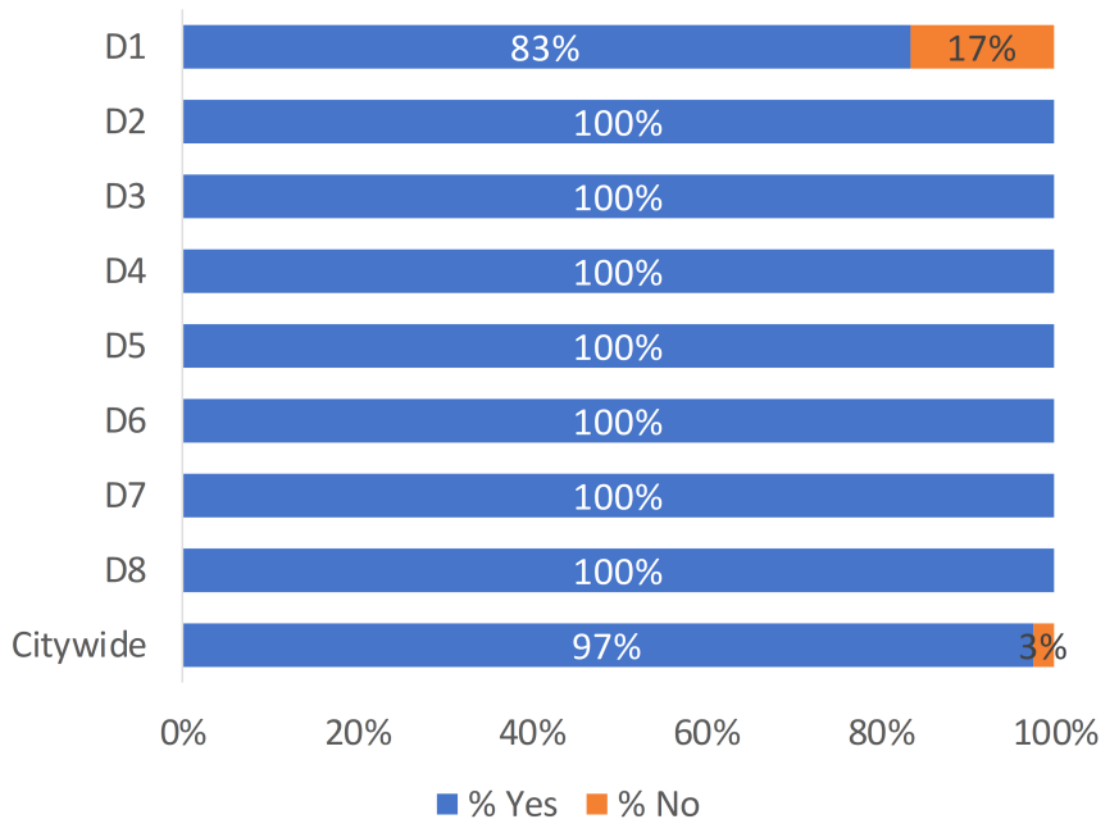
Add an Accountant II position to oversee the daily operation of the Library's accounting section. This position will provide support for accounts payables and receivables, fixed-asset accounting, bank account reconciliations, inter-agency invoices, grant administration support, expenditures review, response to auditors, and payroll accounting.



Administrative Accountability

Parks and Recreation - Parks IT Support: \$208,000

Add a Senior User Technology Specialist position and a User Technology Specialist to provide IT support for the department. The Parks and Recreation Department Information Technology staff provides support to 32 community/recreation centers, numerous offsite office locations, over 800 devices and over 1,500 full and part-time employees. These additional positions are necessary to support the significant increase in new hardware and IT projects that have been implemented in the department.

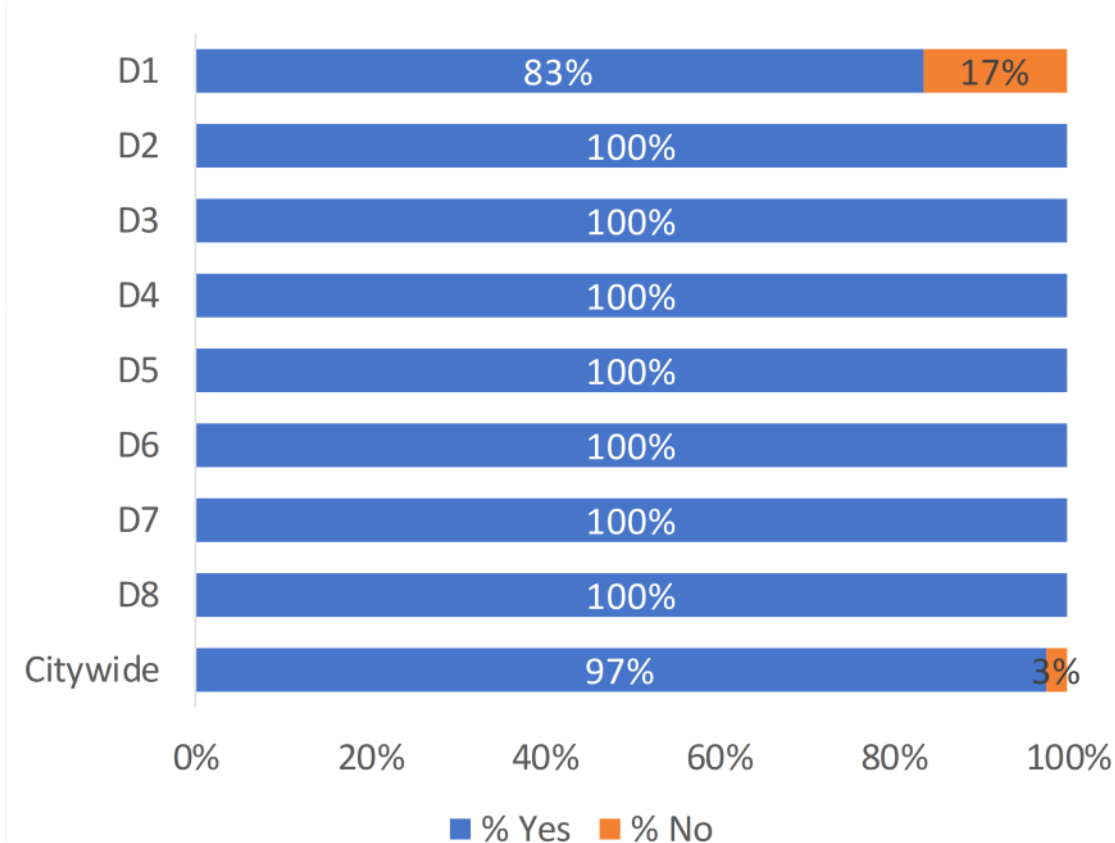


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Public Works - Fleet Maintenance: \$137,000

Restore 10 fleet maintenance positions that support the Fire, Parks and Recreation, Public Works Solid Waste, Street Transportation, and Water Services Departments. Funding for these positions is primarily from Non-General Fund departments. Adding these positions will decrease downtime and service delays. The cost of these positions will be partially offset by a reduction in contract vendor funding. The ten positions include two Equipment Service Worker II, a five Heavy Equipment Mechanic, Auto Technician, Auto Parts Clerk II and Support Services Aide.

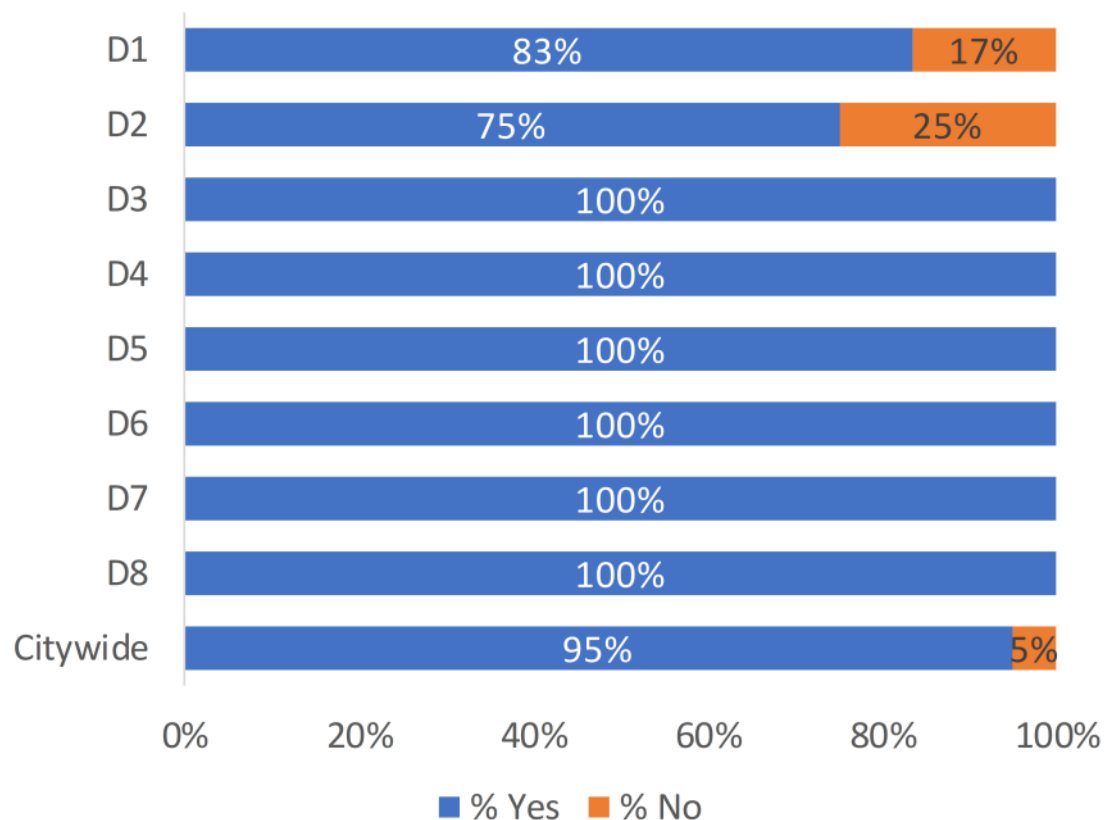


N = 39

Administrative Accountability

Public Works - HR Support: \$0

Add one Senior Human Resources Analyst position to provide support to the Solid Waste division. This position is located in the General Fund but will be funded by the Solid Waste fund and is needed to increase response time, provide supervisor support, process corrective actions and recruitments.



N = 39

Administrative Accountability

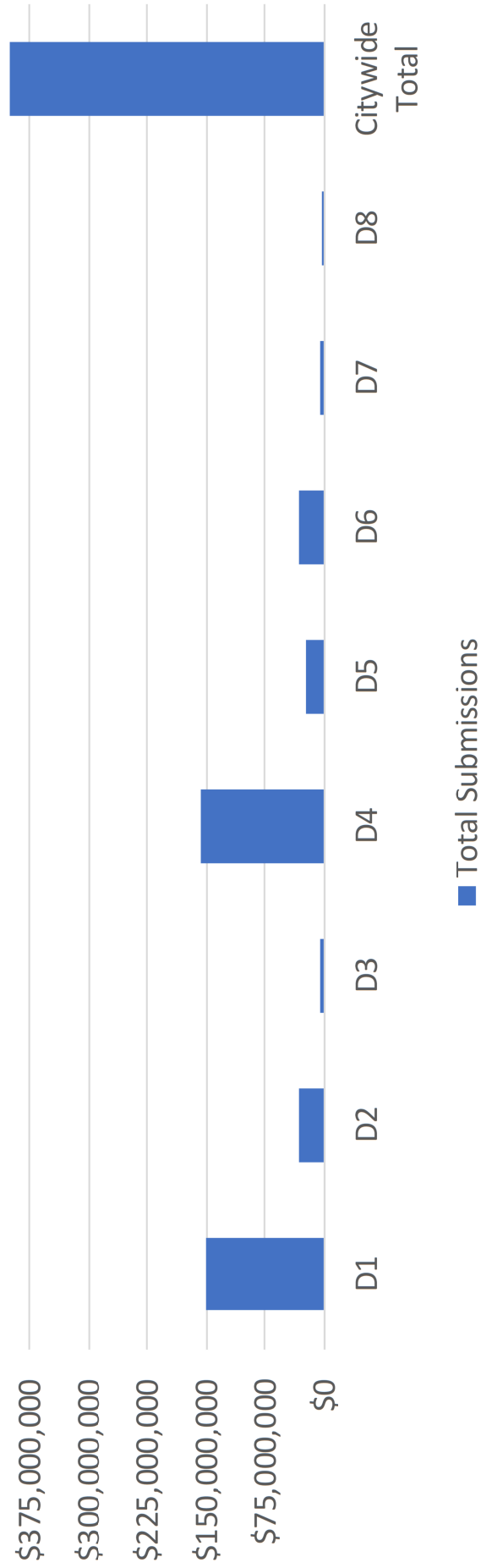
Comments:

1. Jena Ingram (District 2) stressed the importance of the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, as well as IT support for Parks and Recreation, Police and Fire, and Libraries. She stated that the City should not allocate any additional funding to the maintenance of a gasoline-powered fleet.
2. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) suggested contracting out HR Support or streamlining processes so that existing staff can perform this role. She suggested lean staffing initiatives.



Share Your Own Budget Priorities

The amount reallocated to build-your-own budget priorities by district



	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	Citywide Total
Amount of Submissions	\$150,000,000	\$32,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$158,000,000	\$24,000,000	\$33,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$409,000,000
Number of Submissions	7	5	4	11	7	2	2	2	40
Number of Submitters	4	4	2	6	3	1	1	2	23

number of submissions (N) = 39

Share Your Own Budget Priorities

Comments:

1. Stanley Bates (District 1) requested additional funding to give Police new-hires a bonus upon completion of the Academy. He suggested additional funding for current Police officer bonuses. Mr. Bates requested additional funding for further Community Action Officers, hiring additional Police officers and hiring external law enforcement experts to conduct a study on the needs of Police officers.
(Police - \$9M)
2. Zak Ghali (District 1) requested additional funding for Budget and Research staff raises.
(Budget and Research - \$100M)
3. Anonymous (District 1) requested additional funding for Human Services and homelessness.
(Human Services - \$9M; Homelessness - \$12M)
4. Jena Ingram (District 2) requested additional funding for the Community Assistance Program.
(Fire - \$1M)
5. M. McGough (District 2) requested additional funding for Police.
(Police - \$25M)
6. Seth Beute (District 2) requested additional funding for PHX CARES.
(Human Services - \$2M)
7. Tom Argiro (District 2) requested additional funding for Police.
(Police - \$2M)
8. Jane Koval (District 3) requested additional funding for COVID-impacted services.
(COVID-Impacted Services - \$2M)
9. Ted Myers (District 3) requested additional funding for mental health and substance abuse, de-escalation training for Police, and programs to assist individuals experiencing homelessness.
(Fire/Human Services - \$2M; Police - \$1M)
10. Adam Lenske (District 4) requested additional funding for City employee education, health and wellness. He requested additional funding for alternative Police response.
(Employee Education, Health/Wellness - \$1M; Alternatives to Police Response - \$5M)
11. Sarah Montgomery (District 4) requested additional funding for affordable housing and a universal basic income pilot program.
(Housing - \$5M; Universal Basic Income Pilot Program - \$12M)

Share Your Own Budget Priorities

Comments:

12. Tracey Adams (District 4) requested additional funding to ensure that only legal citizens are registered and allowed to vote. She suggested restructuring elections to return to hand-counted paper votes.
(Elections - \$80M; Other/Unassigned - \$43M)
13. J Langland (District 4) requested additional funding for affordable housing, mental health, homelessness prevention and alternatives to incarceration, and walkability.
(Housing - \$1M; Fire/Human Services - \$2M; Walkability - \$1M)
14. Nicole Rodriguez (District 4) requested additional funding for Planning and Development landscape site plan review and adherence, and zoning administration.
(Planning and Development - \$1M)
15. Nora Hensley (District 4) requested additional funding for Libraries.
(Library - \$7M)
16. Alicia Brall (District 5) requested money be reallocated from Police to programs designed to assist individuals experiencing homelessness, mental health and crisis intervention, and community resources.
(Human Services/Fire - \$10M)
17. Allan Earl (District 6) requested increasing reserves and taxes.
(Finance - \$34M)
18. Frida Moreno (District 7) requested additional funding.
(Other/Unassigned - \$5M)
19. Daniel Smith (District 8) requested additional funding.
(Other/Unassigned - \$1M)
20. Curtis Merritt (District 8) requested additional funding for trees and community gardens along canals.
(Parks and Recreation/Planning and Development - \$1M)