

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA April 14, 2025 City Hall Council Chamber

Juandiego R. Wade, Mayor Brian R. Pinkston, Vice Mayor Natalie Oschrin Michael K. Payne J. Lloyd Snook, III Kyna Thomas, Clerk

### 6:30 PM SPECIAL MEETING

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### Call to Order/Roll Call

### **Agenda Approval**

#### **Action Items**

1. Ordinance: Ordinance Adopting a Budget and Appropriating Funds for the City of

Charlottesville, Virginia, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026 (Second

Reading)

## **Adjournment**

# CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date: April 14, 2025

Action Required: Adoption of FY 2026 Budget

Presenter: Krisy Hammill, Director of Budget

Staff Contacts: Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager

Krisy Hammill, Director of Budget

Title: Ordinance Adopting a Budget and Appropriating Funds for the City of

Charlottesville, Virginia, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026 (Second

Reading)

### **Background**

Pursuant to Section 19 of the Charter of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia ("City"), and Virginia Code Title 15.2, Chapter 25, a Proposed Budget was prepared by the City Manager and presented to City Council for consideration. A Public Hearing was conducted by City Council on the City Manager's Proposed Budget on March 20, 2025, and April 7, 2025. City Council is required to vote on these matters.

### **Discussion**

Following the Public Hearings, City Council may deliberate and consider any additions, deletions, or modifications of the items presented within the City Manager's Proposed Budget, and consider the proposed annual tax rates. City Council must consider and vote upon an Ordinance approving the FY-2026 Budget and Annual Appropriation.

The attached highlights all the amendments made to the City Manager's Proposed Budget.

### Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

This budget aligns and details alignment with each of the outcome areas of City Council's Strategic Plan which are detailed in the budget document.

### **Community Engagement**

The Budget process has included several opportunities for citizens to be engaged, including Public Hearings, several Budget Work Sessions, and a Community Budget Forum.

### **Budgetary Impact**

Approval of the attached Ordinance sets forth and adopts the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

### Recommendation

City Staff recommends approval of the attached Ordinance.

# **Alternatives**

N/A

# **Attachments**

- 1.
- 2.
- Amendments\_FY26 Approved\_Budget (1)
  FY 26 Budget Appropriation (1)
  20250412 Legal Ad\_April 21 FY26 Budget Public Hearing 3.

# **City Council Amendments to the City Manager's**

# FY 2026 Proposed General Fund Budget

Manager's Recommended FY 26 Revenue Estimates	\$	264,474,183
Amendments to FY 26 Revenue Estimates		
Increase Revenues		
Taxes		
Personal Property Tax		84,263
Vehicle Daily Rental		5,000
Licenses and Permits		<b>7</b> 00 000
Business & Professional Licenses		700,000
Decrease Revenues		
Taxes		
Plastic Bag Tax		(15,000)
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Total Revenue Amendments	\$	774,263
Total Amended FY 26 General Fund Revenue Estimates	<u>\$</u>	265,248,446
Manager's Recommended FY 26 Expenditures	\$	264,474,183
Amendments to FY 26 Expenditures		
Increase Expenditures		
Outside and Nonprofits Agencies		
Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention Center		54,332
Bridgeline		37,040
CRHA Resident Services		137,000
Boys & Girls Club		43,150
Lighthouse Studios		28,800
Loaves & Fishes		
		6,000
Piedmont CASA		1,200
LiveArts		6,600
Legal Aid Justice Center		7,100
SARA		1,500
BRACH - Permanent Supportive Housing and Grant Fund Repalcement		150,714
PHA Eviction Prevention Assistance		125,619
Jefferson School African American Heritage Center		200,000
Tonsler League		4,200
City Department and Operational Increases		
Home to Hope		25,500
Treasurer		12,000
Tax Relief		250,000
Interfund Transfers Transfer to CAT		
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Decrease Expenditures		
Outside and Nonprofits Agencies		
Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail		(289,192)
Albemarle-Charlottesville SPCA		(68,497)
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City Department Increases		
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Council Strategic Initiatives		45,397
Interfund Transfers		

<b>Total Expenditure</b>	Amendments
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Total Amended FY 26 General Fund Expenditure Estimates \$	\$ 265,248,446

The estimated account balances below that are projected to be remain unspent as of June 30, 2025, and will be authorized for expenditure during FY2026:

Total Amended FY 26 General Fund Expenditure Estimates	\$	265,248,446	
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Authorized Unspent Balances as of June 30, 2025 Historic Resources		26,059	
Sister City		25,200	
Citywide Reserve		300,000	
Council Strategic Initiatives		364,176	
Grand Illumination		4,670	
Councilor Discretionary Funds		5,000	
Minority Business Fund		13,709	
Job Fair		54,019	
Total Authorized Carry-Forward Balances	<u>\$</u>	792,833	
Total General Fund Budget Authorized per the Ordinance	\$	266,041,279	
<u>City Council Amendments to the City Manager's</u> FY 2026 Proposed Capital Improvement Program Budget			
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Manager's Recommended FY 26 Revenue Estimates	\$	31,987,686	
Amendments to FY 26 Revenue Estimates			
Increased Revenues			
Walker Pre-K Center		4,000,000	
<b>Total Revenue Amendments</b>	<u>\$</u>	4,000,000	
Total Amended FY 26 Capital Improvement Fund Revenue Estimates	\$	35,987,686	
Manager's Recommended FY 26 Expenditures	\$	31,987,686	
Amendments to FY 26 Expenditures			
Increased Expenditures			
Walker Pre-K Center		4,000,000	
<b>Total Expenditure Amendments</b>	<u>\$</u>	4,000,000	
Total Amended FY 26 Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures	\$	35,987,686	

### **ORDINANCE**

# APPROVING A BUDGET AND ANNUAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

### Section 1. Approval of the FY-2026 Budget

The City Manager submitted to the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia ("City Council") a proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2025, as deemed necessary for the provision of City services.

A duly advertised Public Hearing was held on March 20, 2025. Thereafter, City Council may review and make revisions to the proposed Budget, which contains an itemized and classified plan of all contemplated expenditures, and all estimated revenues and borrowings for the City, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026 ("FY-2026"), including reasonable reserves for contingencies and capital improvements. The FY-2026 Budget also sets forth capital expenditures for vehicles, equipment, public street improvements, and other transportation projects, and the means of financing them, for capital expenditures to be undertaken in FY-2026 and in a period of the next four (4) fiscal years.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by City Council that the final Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing on July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 ("FY-2026 Budget") is hereby approved, containing total estimated expenditures in the amount of \$621,538,448.

### Section 2. Annual Appropriation

**BE IT ORDAINED by City Council** that the annual GENERAL FUND (Fund 105) Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 shall be \$266,041,279. City Council further ordains that an appropriation of \$266,041,279 be made in the General Fund, as more particularly set forth below:

#### **Operating Expenditures**

Management	
Mayor and City Council	
	1,240,896
Office of the City Manager/Administration	1,762,410
Office of the City Manager/Budget and Performance	704,345
Office of the City Manager/Communications and Public Engagement	1,011,526
Office of the City Manager/Economic Development	873,249
Office of the City Manager/Community Solutions	1,057,736
Office of the City Manager/Office of Social Equity	550,642
Office of the City Manager/Office of Sustainability	335,543
Office of the City Manager/Home to Hope	427,959

Office of the City Manager/Job Center	209,867
Office of the City Manager/Emergency Management	537,120
Office of the City Attorney	1,822,615
Office of General Registrar	858,758
Office of General Registral	030,730
Contributions to Organizational Memberships and Workforce	
Development Programs Virginia Municipal League	21,000
Chamber of Commerce	16,800
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission	105,955
Virginia Career Works - Piedmont Region	10,226
Virginia Institute of Government	2,500
Alliance for Innovation	2,550
Virginia First Cities Coalition	18,200
Central Virginia Partnership for Economic Development	31,701
Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District	14,258
Central Virginia Small Business Development Center	27,359
Rivanna Conservation Alliance	15,000
National League of Cities	4,500
Community Investment Collaborative	25,850
Center for Nonprofit Excellence	24,500
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Non Departmental Activities	
Sister City Committee	15,000
Sister City Committee City Strategic Planning	70,000
Sister City Committee City Strategic Planning Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (Local Match)	70,000 108,415
Sister City Committee City Strategic Planning Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (Local Match) Innovation Fund	70,000 108,415 20,000
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Neighborhood Development Services	4,139,929
Office of Human Rights/Human Rights Commission	559,185
Police Civilian Oversight Board	391,039
Parks and Recreation	14,652,912
Transfer to Convention and Visitors' Bureau	1,342,939
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Contributions to Children, Youth, and Family Oriented Programs	
100 Black Men of Central Virginia	\$23,500
All Blessings Flow, Inc.	\$16,450
Ben Hair Just Swim for Life Foundation	\$3,425
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	16,800
Blue Ridge Area Coalition for the Homeless (BRACH)	400,714
Blue Ridge Health District	742,166
Boys and Girls Club Bridge Ministry	116,000 51,520
Central Virginia Violence Interrupters (formerly The B.U.C.K. Squad)	94,000
Charlottesville Abundant Life Ministries	47,000 47,000
Charlottesville Community Bikes	47,000
Charlottesville Free Clinic	162,000
Child Health Partnership/Home Visiting Collaborative	295,472
City of Promise, Inc	94,000
Community Healing Coalition	25,689
Computers 4 Kids	44,000
Elements of Peace	23,688
Food Equity/Cultivate Charlottesville	136,400
Foothills Child Advocacy Center	104,999
Fountain Fund	44,000
Heart and Soul Fitness with Nicole	88,000
HER Sports	11,750
Hospice of the Piedmont	3,525
Jefferson Area Board for Aging (JABA)	351,910
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry, Inc	50,000
MACAA Madiaan Hayaa	26,400
Madison House  Meals on Wheels of Charlottesville/Albemarle	27,351
New Hill Development	19,957 176,000
Partner for Mental Health	5,600
Pathways/Emergency Assistance Fund	1,037,143
PHAR	68,000
Piedmont Family YMCA	35,250
ReadyKids	156,082
Reclaimed Hope House	114,500
Region Ten Community Services Board	1,180,092
ReLeaf Cville	14,507
Sexual Assault Resources Agency (SARA)	25,000
Shelter for Help in Emergency (SHE)	285,600
Sin Barreras	14,000

Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs	80,100
Stepping Stone Charlottesville	7,050
The BridgeLine	56,780
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United Way	229,805
VIA Centers for Neurodevelopment	135,000
Vibrant Community Fund - Unallocated	25,777
Virginia Cooperative Extension Program	92,110
Vizion Sports Association	14,448
Wartime Fitness Heros	70,500
Wildrock	12,126
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Women's Initiative	44,000
Contributions to Education and the Arts	
City Center for Contemporary Arts	69,631
Descendants of Enslaved Communities at UVA	2,800
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Empowered Players	1,400
Front Porch	14,100
Historic Preservation Task Force	36,059
Jefferson Madison Regional Library	2,448,422
Jefferson School African American Heritage Center	228,200
Lighthouse Studio	40,000
Literacy Volunteers	22,880
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Live Arts	16,000
McGuffey Art Center	55,158
MIMA Music	9,400
Music Resource Center	42,770
New City Arts	32,560
Piedmont Virginia Community College	54,772
Second Street Gallery	21,150
The Paramount Theater	23,500
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Tonsler League	4,200
Virginia Discovery Museum	18,800
Contributions to Housing Programs	
Charlottesville Housing Affordability Tax Grant Program	1,110,000
Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA)	137,000
Low Barrier Shelter	•
	500,000
Piedmont Housing Alliance (PHA)	125,619
Rent Relief for Disabled, a sum sufficient estimated at	100,000
Rent Relief for Elderly, a sum sufficient estimated at	75,000
Stormwater Fee Assistance Program	25,000
Tax Relief for Disabled, a sum sufficient estimated at	300,000
Tax Relief for Elderly, a sum sufficient estimated at	1,560,000
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Infrastructure and Transportation	
Public Works: Administration, Facilities Development, Facilities	
Maintenance, Engineering	6,894,162
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Public Works: Public Service Transfer to Charlottesville Area Transit Fund JAUNT Paratransit Services	10,324,852 5,235,892 2,109,157
Public Safety and Justice	
City Sheriff	2,258,217
Commonwealth's Attorney	1,508,805
Clerk of Circuit Court	1,175,932
Circuit Court Judge	110,125
General District Court	29,969
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court/Court Services Unit	444,186
Magistrate	20,450
Fire Department	21,451,103
Police Department	24,291,003
Contributions to Programs Supporting Public Safety and Justice	
Legal Aid Justice Center	40,000
Albemarle Charlottesville Regional Jail	4,291,276
Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention Center	1,340,172
Emergency Communications Center	2,882,766
Offenders Aid and Restoration	451,364
Piedmont Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)	10,000
Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	596,219
Public Defender's Office	107,193
Violence Prevention Programs	200,000
Local Contribution to Public Schools	
Operational Support	79,026,522
Total Operating Expenditures	\$244,368,524
Designated Expenditures	
City/School Contracts: Pupil Transportation	\$4,593,648
City/School Contracts: School Building Maintenance	5,376,673
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	8,202,434
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund - Mall Vendor Fees	100,000
Transfer to Facilities Repair Fund	400,000
Transfer to Debt Service Fund - Meals Tax Revenue	3,000,000
Total Designated Expenditures	\$21,672,755
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$266,041,279
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City Council further ordains that at the close of FY-2026 the City Manager is authorized to maintain appropriations for encumbrances, grants, capital projects, and programs.

City Council further ordains that the City Manager is authorized to make line-item changes within Department Budgets and allocate salary lapse between Department Budgets, and such changes shall be reported to City Council by way of periodic financial reports.

City Council further ordains that the City Manager is authorized to increase the Budget and to expend the following funds for the following items of non-budgeted restricted revenue that may occur during FY-2026, which are hereby appropriated for expenditure within the Budget program(s) designated by the City Manager, as of the date of receipt thereof by the City:

- 1. Insurance recoveries received for damages to City properties for which City funds have been expended to make repairs.,
- 2. Defaulted builder and developer securities to be used for uncompleted projects,
- 3. Parking Development Fees,
- 4. Asset forfeiture, Courthouse Security fees, Opioid Abatement Fund, and \$4 for Life funds,
- 5. Donations under \$10,000 given to the City for a specific purpose, and
- 6. Revenues received in excess of this annual appropriation, by the following funds: Transit Fund (Fund 245), Information Technology Fund (Fund 705), Warehouse Fund (Fund 706), Communications Fund (Fund 755), Fleet Maintenance Fund (Fund 753), Joint Health Department Building Fund (Fund 982), Retirement Benefits Fund (869), Parking Fund (Fund 650), Golf Fund (Fund 609), and the Utility Enterprise Funds (Water, Wastewater, Gas and Stormwater), and Landfill Reserve funds for use to cover costs associated with landfill remediation.

**City Council further ordains** that the appropriations made herein as Councilor Discretionary Funds will be spent in accordance with the guidelines set forth within City Council's adopted Policies and Procedures.

City Council further ordains that the Employee Classification and Pay Plan for the City of Charlottesville dated July 1, 2025, and effective on that same date, which assigns salary ranges to each class or position in the City service is hereby approved pursuant to Sections 19-3 and 19-4 of the City Code, 1990, as amended, and a copy of the same shall be kept on file with the records of the Meeting at which this Ordinance is approved.

**City Council further ordains** that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$124,916,290 for FY-2026 for annual SCHOOL OPERATIONS is made, which monies are to be expended in accordance with law for purposes authorized and approved by the Charlottesville City School Board. (The City's local contribution to the School Operations is hereinabove appropriated by transfer from the General Fund).

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$24,939,702 for FY-2026 be made from the HEALTH BENEFITS FUND (Fund 718), which monies are to be expended for the payment of health and medical benefit program costs, and for

insurance covering such costs, and in addition, for the accumulation of a reserve for future expenditures to pay for such health and medical benefit program costs.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$37,521,094 or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, be made from the RETIREMENT AND OTHER POST EMPLOYMEN BENEFITS FUND (Fund 869 AND 870), which monies are to be expended for the payment of retirement benefit program costs, and for insurance covering such costs, and in addition, for the accumulation of a reserve for future expenditures. City Council further ordains that the Retirement Plan Commission is authorized and directed to provide for the payment from the Retirement Fund of a post-retirement supplement of one percent (1%) of the current retirement pay of each eligible retired employee effective July 1, 2025.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$4,992,363 for FY-2026 be made from the RISK MANAGEMENT FUND (Fund 711), which monies are to be expended for the uses prescribed for such fund, pursuant to the terms of, and subject to the limitations imposed by Article V of Chapter 11 of the Code of the City of Charlottesville, 1990, as amended.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$5,216,080 for FY-2026 be made from the EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND (Fund 106), which monies are to be expended for the lease, financing, or purchase of motor vehicles and related equipment and for accumulation of a reserve for future equipment purchases.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$1,601,803 be made from the FACILITIES REPAIR FUND (Fund 107), which monies are to be expended for carrying out the purposes of repairs to facilities and for accumulation of a reserve for future repairs to facilities.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$1,578,271 or the amount of revenue received for FY-2026 be made from the JOINT HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING FUND (Fund 982), which monies are to be expended for general improvements, maintenance, small capital projects, and for the accumulation of a reserve to be used for expenses for the Thomas Jefferson Health District Building.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$20,620,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be made from the DEBT SERVICE FUND (Fund 302), which monies to be expended for the payment of principal and interest of bonds, notes, and other evidence of indebtedness and the cost of issuance thereof issued by the City pursuant to its Charter and/or the Virginia Public Finance Act.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$7,369,119, or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the lesser amount, be made from the HUMAN SERVICES/COMMUNITY ATTENTION FUND (Fund 213), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the Community Attention Homes and related programs during such Fiscal Year.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$16,760,591 or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the lesser amount, be made from the SOCIAL SERVICES FUND (Fund 212), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the Department of Social Services during such Fiscal Year.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$8,090,142, or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the lesser amount, be made from the CHILDREN'S SERVICES ACT FUND (Fund 215), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the Children's Services Act entitlement program,

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$15,879,891, or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, be made from the TRANSIT FUND (Fund 245), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the public transit system.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$9,605,544, or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount be made from the INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND (Fund 705), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the various information technology functions.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation the sum of \$240,121, or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, be made from the WAREHOUSE FUND (Fund 706), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the Warehouse.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$1,606,770, be made from the FLEET MAINTENANCE FUND (Fund 753), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the Central Garage, Vehicle Wash, and Fuel System.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$388,598 be made from the COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FUND (Fund 755), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the citywide phone system and mailroom operations during such Fiscal Year.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$836,721, or the amount of revenue credited to such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount be made from the GOLF FUND (Fund 609), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the golf course during such Fiscal Year.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$4,883,000, or the amount of revenue credited to such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, be made from the PARKING FUND (Fund 650), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the parking operations during such Fiscal Year.

City Council further ordains that the appropriations made herein shall become available for expenditures July 1, 2025, and shall expire June 30, 2026.

# **Section 2. Operating Fund Revenues**

It is estimated that local revenues and other sources of revenue will be available during FY-2026 to meet the needs of the FY-2026 Budget approved within Section 1 of this Appropriation Ordinance, according to the following sources:

General Fund		
Local Sources	\$	250,321,542
The Commonwealth and Federal Government		14,476,904
Transfers from Other Funds		450,000
Fund Balance Committed/Assigned		792,833
Total	\$	266,041,279
School Operations		
Local Contribution/Transfer from General Fund	\$	79,026,522
The Commonwealth and Federal Government		32,658,513
Miscellaneous Revenue		4,140,687
Fund Balance		9,090,568
Total	\$	124,916,290
Health Benefits Fund		
Member Contributions	\$	22,192,230
Miscellaneous Revenue		135,000
Balance of the Health Benefits Fund	\$	2,612,472
Total	\$	24,939,702
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Retirement Benefits Funds	Φ.	15.000.004
City Contributions (All Funds)	\$	17,020,094
Member Contributions		2,500,000
Investment Income		18,001,000
Total	\$	37,521,094
Diels Monocomont Eye d		
Risk Management Fund	\$	2 220 212
City Contributions (All Funds)	Ф	3,230,212
Other Local Sources		120,000
Balance of the Risk Management Fund	Φ.	1,642,151
Total	\$	4,992,363
Equipment Replacement Fund		
Transfer from the General Fund	\$	2,619,000
Balance of the Equip. Repl. Fund	Ψ	
Balance of the Equip. Repl. Fund  Total	<u>\$</u>	2,597,080 5,216,080

Facilities Repair Fund		
Transfer from the General Fund	\$	400,000
Balance of the Fac. Repair Fund		1,201,803
Total	\$	1,601,803
Joint Health Building Fund		
Rent Income	\$	251,655
Balance of the Joint Health Bldg Fund		1,326,616
Total	\$	1,578,271
D 1 (C ' F 1		
Debt Service Fund	¢	12 120 000
Transfers from the General Fund	\$	12,120,000
Meals Tax Transfer (equivalent to \$0.01)	\$	3,000,000
Balance of the Debt Service Fund		5,500,000
Total	\$	20,620,000
Human Services Fund		
Transfers from the General Fund	\$	2,940,072
Intergovernmental Revenue	Ψ	4,167,297
Miscellaneous Revenue		261,750
Total	\$	7,369,119
Total	Φ	7,309,119
Social Services Fund		
Transfers from the General Fund	\$	5,350,991
Intergovernmental Revenue		11,409,600
Total	\$	16,760,591
Children's Services Act Fund	_	
Transfers from the General Fund	\$	1,650,000
Intergovernmental Revenue		6,440,142
Total	\$	8,090,142
Transit Fund		
Transit Fund Transfers from the General Fund	\$	5,235,892
	Φ	
Intergovernmental Revenue Miscellaneous Revenue		10,435,629 208,370
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Total	\$	15,879,891
Information Technology		
User Fees		2,105,182
Balance of the Information Technology Fund		7,500,362
Total	\$	9,605,544

Warehouse Fund	
User Fees	\$ 240,121
Total	\$ 240,121
Fleet Fund	
User Fees	\$ 1,606,770
Total	\$ 1,606,770
Communications Fund	
User Fees	\$ 371,333
Balance of the Communications Fund	 17,265
Total	\$ 388,598
Golf Fund	
User Fees	\$ 365,440
Balance of the Golf Fund	\$ 471,281
Total	\$ 836,721
Parking Fund	
Parking Revenues	\$ 4,883,000
Total	\$ 4,883,000

#### Section 3. FY-2026 Capital Budget

City Council ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$31,987,686 for FY-2026 be made from the CAPITAL FUND (Funds 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, and 429 combined) which monies are to be expended in accordance with law for the following purposes authorized and approved by City Council and as more particularly set forth by specific project in the FY-2026 Budget. City Council intends that the adoption of this Ordinance: (1) confirms the "official intent" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and (2) that the funds designated for the respective capital purchases or projects as set forth shall hereby made available for expenditure until the project is deemed to be complete.

The estimated revenues and appropriation categories are as follows:

Revenues	<b>FY26</b>
Transfer from General Fund	7,627,434
Transfer from General Fund - Mall Vendor Fees	100,000
Transfer from General Fund - VCF Allocation	575,000
Contribution from Schools (Small Cap Program)	200,000
PEG Fee Revenue	40,000
CY 2026 Bond Issue	27,445,252
TOTAL AVAILABLE REVENUES	\$35,987,686
<b>Expenditures</b>	
EDUCATION	
<u>Project</u>	<u>FY26</u>
Lump Sum to Schools (City Contribution)	1,300,000
City Schools HVAC Repair	750,000
City Schools Priority Improvement Projects	1,400,000
Charlottesville High School Roof Replacement	2,357,489
School Small Capital Improvements Program	200,000
Charlottesville Walker School Pre-K Center	4,000,000
SUBTOTAL	¢10 007 490
SUBTUTAL	\$10,007,489
FACILITIES CAPITAL PROJECTS	
Project	<b>FY26</b>
Lump Sum to Facilities Capital Projects	1,319,956
City Facility HVAC Replacement	500,000
City and Schools Solar PV Program	75,000
General District Court - FFE and Hearing Room	201,838
Climate Action Initiatives	1,000,000
HVAC Contingency Fund - City and School Facilities	50,000
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SUBTOTAL	2 146 704
	3,146,794
PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE	
<u>Project</u>	<b>FY26</b>
Replacement EMS Apparatus	458,918
Bypass Fire Station (old building) Repurpose/Upfit	200,000
Police Mobile Data Terminals	82,000
Police Portable Radio Replacement	75,000

Police Car Portable Radio Replacement	68,000
Fire Portable Radio Replacement	75,000
Sheriff Portable Radio Replacement	40,000
Fire - Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacements	150,000
Fire - Protective Clothing/Turnout Gear Replacement	60,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,208,918
TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS	
Project	<b>FY26</b>
New Sidewalks	1,217,051
SIA Immediate Implementation	200,000
Small Area Plans	150,000
Street Milling and Paving	1,250,000
ADA Pedestrian Signal Upgrades	240,000
Minor Bridge Repairs	225,000
Traffic Signal Infrastructure Replacement	250,000
Stribling Avenue Sidewalk	600,000
ADA Transition Plan	700,000
Safe Routes to School	200,000
State Bridge and Highway Inspections	100,000
CAT Transit Bus Replacement Match	245,234
Intelligent Transportation System	185,000
City Wide Traffic Engineering Improvements	150,000
Neighborhood Transportation Improvements	100,000
Bicycle Infrastructure	100,000
Right of Way Appurtenance	100,000
Traffic Sign Retro Reflective Compliance	25,000
SUBTOTAL	\$6,037,285
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PARKS AND RECREATION	
Project	<u>FY26</u>
Downtown Mall Infrastructure Repairs	100,000
Parks and Recreation Lump Sum Account	400,000
Parks and Schools Playground Renovations	200,000
Urban Tree Planting	125,000
Parkland and Trails Acquisition and Development	125,000
Oakwood Cemetery Drainage and Road Issues	150,000
Downtown Mall Trees Active Lifecycle Management	100,000
Invasive Plant Removal	150,000

Downtown Mall Tree Management Plan	315,000
Parks Master Plan Implementation	500,000
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Riverview Parking Lot	230,000
SUBTOTAL	\$2,415,000
TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE	
Project	<b>FY26</b>
Communications Technology Account/Public Access	40,000
City Wide IT Strategic Infrastructure	250,000
Voting Equipment Replacement	150,000
SUBTOTAL	\$440,000
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	
<u>Project</u>	<b>FY26</b>
Public Housing Redevelopment - (CRHA)	3,000,000
Westhaven Redevelopment	5,000,000
Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund (CAHF)	1,500,000
Supplemental Rental Assistance (CSRAP)	900,000
PHA - 501 Cherry Avenue	1,000,000
Carlton Mobile Home Park	1,332,200
SUBTOTAL	\$12,732,200
TOTAL PROJECTS	\$35,987,686

City Council further ordains that at the close of the Fiscal Year the City Manager is authorized to maintain appropriations for encumbrances and grants.

**City Council further ordains** that at the close of the Fiscal Year the City Manager is authorized to administratively approve the close out of capital projects and transfer any unencumbered residual funds to the balance within the Capital Improvement Fund.

#### Section 4. Utility Enterprise Funds

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$23,685,768; or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, for the WATER UTILITY FUNDS (Funds 611 and 612), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the water utility.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$22,195,482; or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount,

for the WASTEWATER UTILITY FUNDS (Funds 621 and 622), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the wastewater utility.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$29,770,390; or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, for the GAS UTILITY FUNDS (Funds 631 and 634), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the gas utility.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriation in the sum of \$4,343,180; or the amount of revenue received by such fund, whichever shall be the greater amount, for the STORMWATER UTILITY FUNDS (Funds 641,642 and 643), which monies are to be expended for the operation of the stormwater utility.

### **Operating Revenues**

WATER (OPERATIONAL AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS)	
Water Sales Revenue	\$ 17,808,962
Other Fees	176,806
Bond Proceeds	3,500,000
Transfer from Other Funds	2,200,000
WATER FUND REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 23,685,768
WASTEWATER (OPERATIONAL AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS)	
Wastewater Sales Revenue	\$ 20,195,482
Transfer from Other Funds	2,000,000
WASTEWATER REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 22,195,482
GAS (OPERATIONAL AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS)	
Gas Sales Revenue	\$ 29,419,890
Other Fees	350,500
GAS REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 29,770,390
STORMWATER (OPERATIONAL AND DEBT SERVICE FUNDS)	
Stormwater Fee Revenue	\$ 1,924,572
Bond Proceeds	1,500,000
Transfer from Other Funds	918,608
STORMWATER REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 4,343,180

City Council further ordains that at the close of the Fiscal Year the City Manager is authorized to maintain appropriations within the City's Enterprise Funds for encumbrances, grants, capital projects, and programs.

City Council further ordains that the annual appropriations for the City's Utility Enterprise Funds are subject to amendment based on City Council's subsequent review and approval of the Annual Utility Rate Report, which sets forth the annual spending plan and establishes the annual customer rates for each utility. The term "Operation" is herein defined to include any self-supporting enterprise expenditures, including those for capital outlay and for the payment of principal and interest of bonds, notes and other evidence of indebtedness, and the cost of issuance thereof issued by the City pursuant to its Charter and/or the Virginia Public Finance Act.

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Charlottesville proposes to increase property tax levies.

- Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due
  to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real
  property by 7.36 percent.
- 2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$0.9128 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."
- 3. Effective Rate Increase: The City of Charlottesville proposes to adopt a real estate tax rate of \$0.98 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$0.0672 per \$100 or 7.359 percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase".

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

- 4. Proposed Total Budget Increase: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of the City of Charlottesville will exceed last year's by 4.97 percent.
- A public hearing on the increase will be held on Monday, April 21, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers at City Hall, 605 East Main Street, Charlottesville, Virginia. Persons desiring to be heard may attend and share their views on the proposed real estate property tax levy increase, within such reasonable time limits as established by City Council. Individuals with disabilities who require assistance or special arrangements to participate in the public hearing may call (434) 987-1267 or submit a request via email to <a href="mailto:ada@charlottesville.gov">ada@charlottesville.gov</a>. The City of Charlottesville requests that you provide 48 hours' notice so that proper arrangements may be made.

Kyna Thomas

Chief of Staff /Clerk of Council