



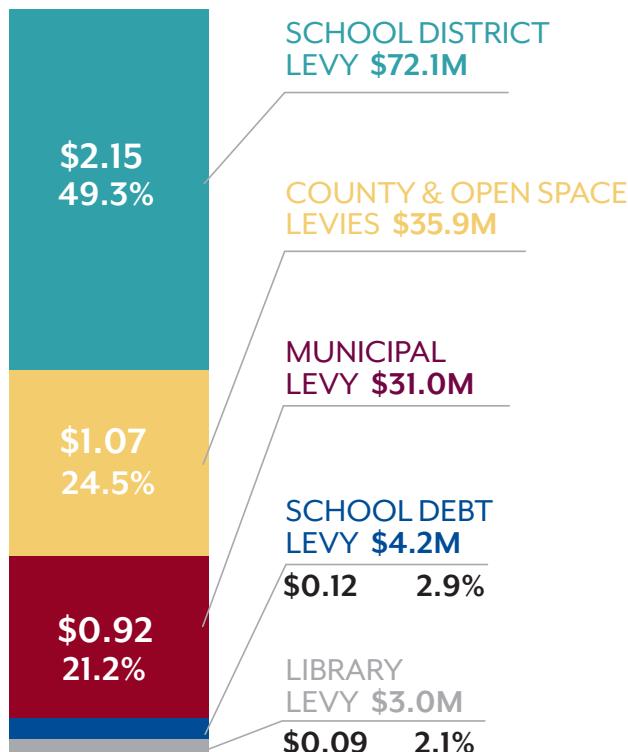
2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET SNAPSHOT

PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

2024 ESTIMATED TAX LEVIES & RATES BREAKDOWN

TAX RATES BASED ON \$100 OF ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUATION

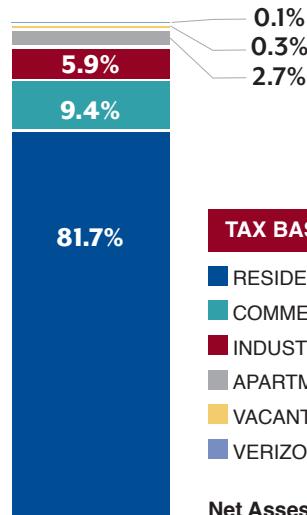
\$146.3M TOTAL TAXES RAISED



SUMMIT'S TAX BASE

\$3.35B  **\$81.9 MILLION** FROM 2023
(MUNICIPAL TAX REVENUE GAIN **\$741,000**)

TAX BASE GROWTH REDUCES
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE BY **\$0.02**



TAX BASE CLASSIFICATION

RESIDENTIAL (4 families or fewer)	\$2,738,919,200
COMMERCIAL	\$315,806,300
INDUSTRIAL	\$196,608,000
APARTMENT	\$91,247,100
VACANT LAND	\$9,335,200
VERIZON (Business Personal Property Telephone)	\$2,549,407
Net Assessed Valuation Total	\$3,354,465,207

HOW ARE PROPERTY TAXES COMPUTED?



\$0.02

Increase in
Municipal
Tax Rate

Tax Rate = Tax Levy Amount ÷ Tax Base Value

2024 Municipal Tax Rate = \$31,032,174 / \$3,354,465,207 = \$0.92 per \$100

	TAX RATES (divided by \$100)	ESTIMATED TAXES	
\$435,648 	\$0.00925	= \$4,030	Municipal
Average Home Assessment	\$0.02152	= \$9,375	School District
	\$0.01071	= \$4,666	County & Open Space
	\$0.00125	= \$545	School Debt Service
	\$0.00091	= \$396	Public Library

2024 Total Property Taxes: \$19,012

- \$163 or 0.9% estimated increase in total tax bill on average home assessment
- \$37 estimated increase in total tax bill for every \$100,000 of assessed value
- \$4.36 per \$100 of assessed valuation in total estimated tax rate
- \$0.01 of tax rate is equal to \$335,446

For every
property tax dollar
billed and collected,
the city retains **\$0.21**
to fund municipal
budget needs.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 7:30pm in City Hall Council Chamber

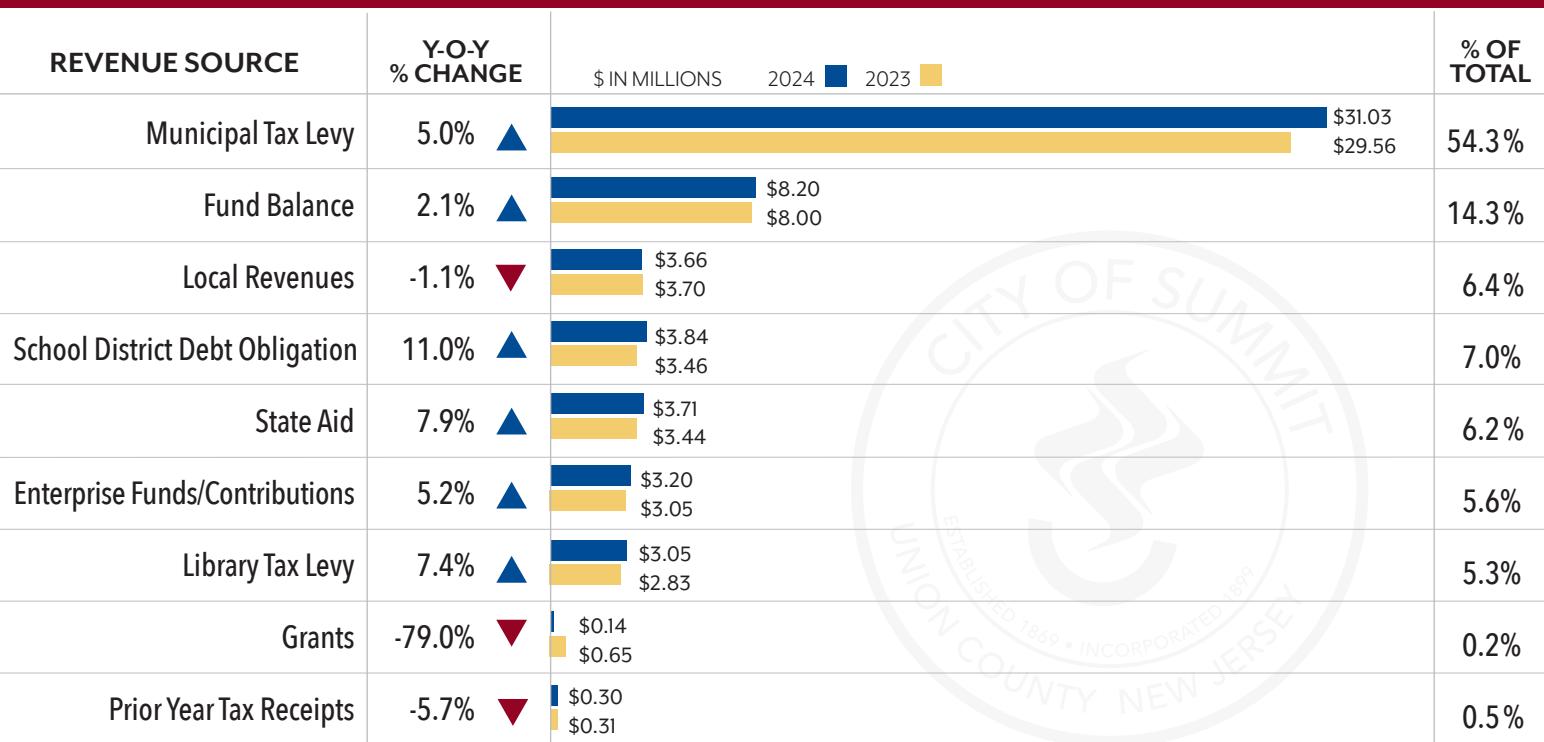
FINANCIAL PLAN | 2024

GENERAL FUND	Municipal Budget	\$57,150,641
	Capital Budget	\$4,075,100
	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$61,225,741</i>
SEWER UTILITY FUND	Operations Budget	\$6,103,252
	Capital Budget	\$2,655,000
	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$8,758,252</i>
PARKING SERVICES UTILITY FUND	Operations Budget	\$3,306,960
	Capital Budget	\$55,000
	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>\$3,361,960</i>
Total Financial Budget		<i>\$73,345,953</i>

REVENUE

- Non-tax revenue up \$26,243 from 2023 due to \$429,000 of non-recurring revenue loss (federal stimulus aid and other reserve depletion)
- Municipal tax levy is \$1.46 million higher this year. New tax base valuation growth will generate new municipal tax revenue to offset levy increase by approximately \$741,000
- General Fund balance anticipated revenue (surplus) will be \$8.20 million, up \$170,000. The city will maintain \$3.47 million (30%) of available fund balance (\$11.67 million) as unrestricted cash
- State aid revenue (energy receipts tax) will increase by \$172,789
- Grants awarded and received so far in 2024 is \$517,293 lower than anticipated last year

• • • • • HOW CITY REVENUE IS GENERATED



LOCAL REVENUES

↑ INCREASES	\$662,500 Interest on investments	↓ DECREASES	\$795,400 AHS/Overlook Community Service Support agreement
	\$110,000 Municipal Court fees		\$31,000 Community Services fees
	\$27,500 Utility cell tower lease		\$25,000 Police off-duty administration fees

ENTERPRISE FUNDS/CONTRIBUTIONS

↑ INCREASES	\$522,663 AHS/Overlook Community Service contribution	↓ DECREASES	\$366,432 American Rescue Plan stimulus aid
	\$195,000 Parking Services Utility contribution		\$175,000 General Capital surplus
	\$35,000 Sewer Utility share of various costs		\$33,000 Reserve for municipal asset sales

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APPROPRIATIONS HIGHLIGHTS | 2024

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

\$57,150,641

Municipal Service Costs: \$36,433,136

Other Appropriations: \$15,717,503
(Library/Grants/School Debt/Deferred Charges)

Reserve for Uncollected Taxes: \$5,000,002

APPROPRIATIONS

\$2.0M TOTAL 
(from 2023)

INCREASES

- **\$1.2 million** in municipal operation expenses (\$533,916 in Salary & Wages and \$677,706 in department other expenses)
- **\$209,831** increase in general liability and workers compensation costs
- **\$176,276** increase in healthcare insurance premium costs
- **\$122,079** increase in pension obligations



Municipal Service Cost breakdown (includes Salary & Wages and Department Other Expenses)

Average Assessed Residential Home	\$435,648	Municipal Tax Rate	\$0.92	Municipal Service Cost	\$4,030	% of Total
Public Safety		\$11,821,716		\$1,072		26.6%
Community Services		8,261,556		\$749		18.6%
Municipal Debt Service		6,574,256		\$596		14.8%
Pension/Social Security		5,522,384		\$500		12.4%
Insurance		4,085,863		\$370		9.2%
General Government		2,044,342		\$185		4.6%
Finance		1,280,645		\$117		2.9%
Community Programs		1,279,053		\$117		2.9%
Interlocal Agreements (Joint Dispatch)		1,216,855		\$109		2.7%
Utilities		1,215,000		\$109		2.7%
Board of Health		533,871		\$48		1.2%
Municipal Court		388,706		\$36		0.9%
Capital Improvements		205,000		\$20		0.5%
TOTALS		\$44,429,247		\$4,030		100.0%

\$6,785,100 TOTAL CAPITAL PLAN

Sewer Utility	\$2,655,000
DCS Infrastructure	\$1,505,000
DCP Projects	\$710,000
DCS Vehicles/Equipment	\$652,000
Police Department	\$492,500
DCS Buildings Maintenance	\$425,000
Fire Department	\$265,600
Parking Services Utility	\$55,000

DEBT (Capital Budget funding)

Net Debt Total (General Fund outstanding bonds/notes as of 12/31/23)
\$62.97 Million

Equalized Valuation

(Three-year average)

\$8.42 Billion

Net Debt to Equalized Valuation
0.75%

STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION

AAA Credit Rating
from all three major credit rating agencies

CAPITAL BUDGET | 2024



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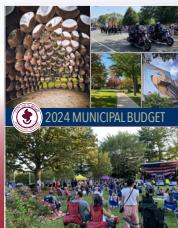
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2024 MUNICIPAL GOALS

The goal-setting process enables the Common Council to build a consensus on policies and projects that will impact the Summit community. City administration uses established goals to set priorities, direct work activities and allocate staff and financial resources.

GOAL	KEY ACTION
Enhance the municipal financial position through strategic budgeting practices, prudent municipal debt management and development of a framework for long-term financial sustainability.	Optimize revenue streams and reduce operational inefficiencies to secure fiscal health with a municipal tax rate change at or near 2.0%.
Leverage data-driven decision-making processes and the deployment of artificial intelligence tools to refine service delivery mechanisms.	Create opportunities using AI for efficiencies in land use planning, environmental sustainability efforts, resource allocation, and interactions with residents.
Deploy a comprehensive wellness program for both the community at large and city employees.	Introduce a Mayors Wellness Campaign that incentivizes participation to encourage physical and mental health, and a work-life balance.
Address obligations for affordable housing and continue work to develop diverse housing options that are accessible to various income levels.	Establish a city-wide dialogue with community groups focused on affordable housing to create a plan that maximizes and incentivizes the development of affordable rental units.
Create a safe and welcoming environment that enhances the quality of life for all residents.	Complete improvements to infrastructure and public spaces that are approved capital budget projects.
Expand opportunities for community engagement and outreach.	Launch a citywide survey and platform for continuing citizen feedback to ensure residents have a voice in shaping the city's future.
Develop more inclusive community events and initiatives that celebrate diversity.	Host community dialogues, employee education programs, and cultural festivals that showcase the rich tapestry of cultures within our city.



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