

HOW TO USE THIS BUDGET DOCUMENT

This budget document has been prepared to provide the public with concise and readable information about the City of Mauldin.

This document is divided into the following sections:

- General Information
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The General Information section contains an overview of the important features of the City of Mauldin along with an interesting story of the City's historical past. Also included in the first section is the budget transmittal message from the City Administrator to the Mayor and City Council. The budget message contains an overview and outline of major budget priorities and assumptions and highlights adjustments in department allocations. Also included in the budget message is a general indication of the status of the City's finances and service levels.

The Budget Summary section presents summary information for the revenues and expenditures for all of the city's operating funds.

The Expenditure Request Detail Section includes sub-tabs for each "department". Most of the department tabs include a narrative on the various functions provided by the department. Each department section includes a detail expenditure budget for all accounts for the department.

The Five Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) sets out the capital equipment expenditures planned for the City. Most of these expenditures are planned with current revenues with the exception of several capital purchases which are planned to be to be lease-purchased through the issue of long-term debt during the current year.

The Five Year Financial Forecast section projects revenues and expenditures for the current year and an additional four years.

The Personnel section details the distribution of personnel throughout the City. In addition, the section contains an organizational chart of the City.

The Debt Service section provides a summary table of the activity of all debt held by the City as of June 30, 2008. In addition, it provides detail schedules of the maturity of each issue as well as detail payment schedule of debt as of June 30, 2008.

The Supplemental Section includes the FY2009 budget ordinance adopted by City Council. The City Fiscal Policy is also included in this section.

An Appendix section is included which provides definitions of common budget and financial terms.

Questions are always welcome. If you have any questions after reviewing the information in this budget, please contact the City Administrator, Finance Director or a member of the staff.