

RECOMMENDED FY25 BUDGET

\$814,477

FULL TIME EQUIVALENTS

4.00



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings (OZAH) is to conduct quasi-judicial trial-type hearings that are fair, understandable, and accessible to all participants regardless of race, ethnicity, disability, and financial income. OZAH is committed to establishing policies, processes, and internal training to minimize unconscious bias, remove barriers for non-English speaking or disabled participants, and mitigate barriers for those without financial resources to expend on the hearing process.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

The total recommended FY25 Operating Budget for the Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings is \$814,477, an increase of \$58,489 or 7.74 percent from the FY24 Approved Budget of \$755,988. Personnel Costs comprise 90.06 percent of the budget for four full-time position(s) and no part-time position(s), and a total of 4.00 FTEs. Total FTEs may include seasonal or temporary positions and may also reflect workforce charged to or from other departments or funds. Operating Expenses account for the remaining 9.94 percent of the FY25 budget.

COUNTY PRIORITY OUTCOMES

While this program area supports all seven of the County Executive's Priority Outcomes, the following is emphasized:



PROGRAM CONTACTS

Contact Lynn R. Hannan of the Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings at 240.777.6664 or Justine Jones of the Office of Management and Budget at 240.777.2627 for more information regarding this department's operating budget.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS



Zoning and Administrative Hearings

The Hearing Examiner receives applications for certain zoning matters decided by the County Council; schedules and conducts public hearings; prepares and issues reports and recommendations for County Council action; receives applications, hears and

decides conditional use cases; schedules and conducts hearings in contested cases referred by other departments, such as the Commission on Human Rights; adjudicates objections and waivers associated with accessory apartment license applications; maintains administrative records for public inspection; collects application fees; responds to public inquiries on zoning and conditional use cases; and works with other County agencies in the preparation, revision, and review of procedural rules, fee schedules, and zoning text amendments.

BUDGET SUMMARY

| | Actual FY23 | Budget FY24 | Estimate FY24 | Recommended FY25 | %Chg Bud/Rec |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| COUNTY GENERAL FUND | | | | | |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | | |
| Salaries and Wages | 517,709 | 546,941 | 588,974 | 586,443 | 7.2 % |
| Employee Benefits | 121,696 | 138,147 | 133,534 | 147,090 | 6.5 % |
| County General Fund Personnel Costs | 639,405 | 685,088 | 722,508 | 733,533 | 7.1 % |
| Operating Expenses | 48,994 | 70,900 | 14,890 | 80,944 | 14.2 % |
| County General Fund Expenditures | 688,399 | 755,988 | 737,398 | 814,477 | 7.7 % |
| PERSONNEL | | | | | |
| Full-Time | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | _ |
| Part-Time | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _ |
| FTEs | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | _ |
| REVENUES | | | | | |
| Other Charges/Fees | 6,500 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _ |
| Zoning Fees | 93,732 | 65,000 | 65,000 | 65,000 | _ |
| County General Fund Revenues | 100,232 | 65,000 | 65,000 | 65,000 | _ |
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FY25 RECOMMENDED CHANGES

| | Expenditures | FTEs |
|--|--------------|------|
| COUNTY GENERAL FUND | | |
| FY24 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION | 755,988 | 4.00 |
| Other Adjustments (with no service impacts) | | |
| Increase Cost: FY25 Compensation Adjustment | 19,424 | 0.00 |
| Increase Cost: Annualization of FY24 Compensation Increases | 18,194 | 0.00 |
| Increase Cost: Annualization of FY24 Personnel Costs | 13,400 | 0.00 |
| Increase Cost: Increase in Legal Services for Larger Caseload [Zoning and Administrative Hearings] | 10,000 | 0.00 |
| Increase Cost: Printing and Mail | 44 | 0.00 |
| Decrease Cost: Retirement Adjustment | (2,573) | 0.00 |
| FY25 RECOMMENDED | 814,477 | 4.00 |

FUNDING PARAMETER ITEMS

| | CE RECOMMENDED | (\$000S) | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|----------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Title | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 | FY29 | FY30 | | |
| COUNTY GENERAL FUND | | | | | | | | |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | |
| FY25 Recommended | 814 | 814 | 814 | 814 | 814 | 814 | | |
| No inflation or compensation change is included in outyear projections. | | | | | | | | |
| Labor Contracts | 0 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | | |
| These figures represent the estimated annualized cost of general wage adjustments, service increments, and other negotiated items. | | | | | | | | |
| Subtotal Expenditures | 814 | 821 | 821 | 821 | 821 | 821 | | |

