

# County Executive's Recommended FY 25 Budget Work Session #4:

Capital Improvement Plan,
Debt Management,
& General Fund Continued



## **FY 25 Budget Calendar**

## March

#### **Work Sessions**

25<sup>th</sup> Cont. CIP & if needed, General Fund

27<sup>th</sup> Proposed Budget & Tax Rates

## April

#### **Public Input**

10<sup>th</sup> TBD Work Session

17<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing

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Continuing Town halls, March 25 – April 13

## May

1st Adoption & Appropriation

Capital Improvement Program (pgs. 263-294) Debt Management (pgs. 297 – 304)

## **Agenda**

Break, if Board desires

#### **Scenarios leading to March 27 Work Session**

- Technical Updates
- Options for Board Consideration

**BOS Direction to prepare for 3/27** 

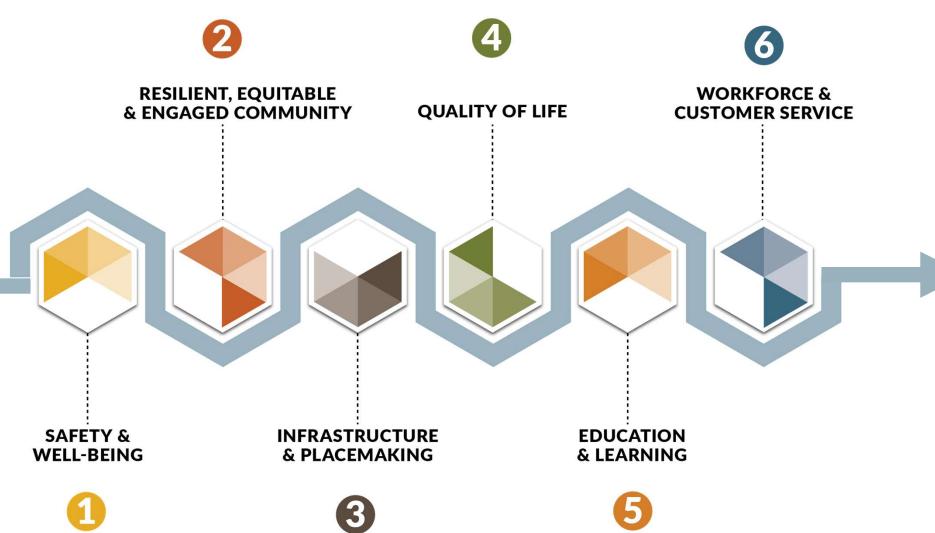
## Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Pages 263-294



### FY 25 – 29 CIP Assumptions & Approach

- 1. Starting point is the balanced FY 24 28 Adopted CIP
- 2. Update financial assumptions
  - Such as project costs, interest rates for borrowing costs, project timing, CIP revenues
- 3. December 6 Joint meeting with School Board
- 4. To extent possible, include new projects guided by Strategic Plan



## Capital Improvement Plan County Government Summary

**Transportation Leveraging** 

**County Offices Renovations** 

**Central Library Renovation** 

**Community Non-Profits** 

**Volunteer Stations** 

North. Convenience Ctr

Parks & Fields

Courts

\$128.9 M

25 26 27 28 29

Road, bike, pedestrian projects

Open Biscuit Run + 2 fields;

Towe fields rebuild; pocket park

Recycling infrastructure

Workforce stabilization

Construction

JMRL request

Bennett's Village playground

Earlysville, Seminole Trail



### **Draft December 6 County Government CIP**

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Transportation Northern Convenience Center

**Biscuit Run** 

Darden Towe Athletic Fields

**Core Systems Modernization** 

Workplace – Facility Renovations

Courts Construction

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### **Recommended County Government CIP**

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Urban Pocket Park

Woolen Mills ADA Trailhead

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Station 11 (Monticello) Renovations

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**Courts Construction** 

FY 25: \$6.0 M

Expands court facilities to meet existing & projected capacity & security

#### Scope of work includes:

- New General District
   Courthouse at the Levy Site,
- Renovation of historical portion of Levy Opera House
- Renovation of current historic courthouse, currently housing Albemarle's Circuit and General District courts





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#### **Transportation**

FY 25, 26, 27: Total \$30.0 M

Funding supports high priority transportation projects and initiatives



#### Projects included:

- US 250 Pantops Corridor
- Berkmar Extension to Airport Road
- Berkmar Shared Use Extension (Northern Section)
- Commonwealth and Dominion Drive
- Old Lynchburg Road Project
- Eastern Avenue



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## Northern Convenience Center

FY 25, 27: Total \$1.8 M

Development of a Northern Albemarle County Solid Waste Convenience Center.



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#### **Central Library**

FY 27, 29: Total \$10.5 M

County's share of funding for the total renovation of Central Library



#### Funding contingent on:

- City of Charlottesville funding its required share
- Approval of MOU with the City pursuant to the regional library agreement,
- An expectation that the Jefferson Madison Regional Library will leverage sources of funding from community partners to assist in bringing this project to fruition.

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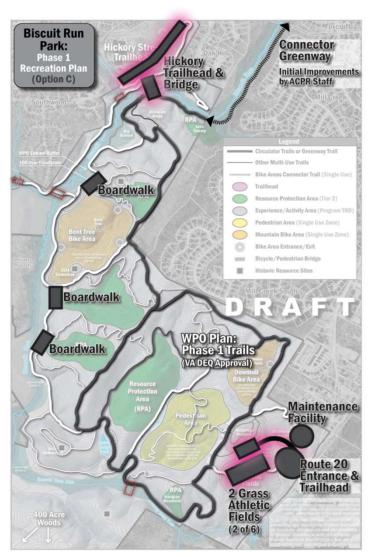
#### **Biscuit Run**

FY 25-26: Total \$9.2 M

Continued implementation of Biscuit Run Park Master Plan

#### Elements include:

- Route 20 Entrance & Trailhead
- Phase 1 Trail Network
  - 3 Boardwalks
- Athletic Fields
- Hickory Street Pedestrian Bridge and trailhead
- Maintenance Facility



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Darden Towe Athletic Fields FY 25-27: Total \$2.1 M

Phased rehabilitation of the Darden Towe Park athletic fields, rebuilding one the four fields each year between FY24 and FY27.



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#### **Urban Pocket Park**

FY 25-26: Total \$1.65 M

Parks & Recreation Department still pursuing site identification and development plans for potential pocket park sites in the urban development areas using staff resources.

- \$150K in FY25 for Design
- \$1.5M in FY26 for Construction



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#### Woolen Mills ADA Trailhead

FY 25: \$635k

Supports the design and construction of improvements to the Woolen Mills trailhead to improve accessibility for disabled persons.



Station Renovations

FY 25: \$500k

Supports the renovation and maintenance of key areas in Albemarle County Fire Rescue Station 11 to account for additional staffing from a FEMA SAFER grant.



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## Workplace – Facility Renovations

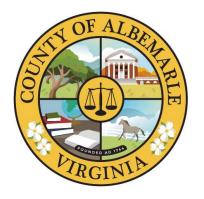
FY 25, 26, 27 Total \$3.6 M

Planning & construction of facility renovations for County Office buildings located on McIntire Rd and 5<sup>th</sup> Street Extended

**Core Systems Modernization** 

FY 25, 26, 27, 28: Total \$2.2 M

Provide community and employees contemporary, digital government solutions





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## **Community Non-Profit Capital Process Update Approved by Board, July 2023**

#### Continuing expectations from the prior year's process:

- 1. Projects must meet the County's definition of a capital project
- 2. Prioritized projects will align with objectives in the FY 24-28 Strategic Plan.
- 3. Projects will be evaluated in the context of the total FY 25 29 Capital Improvement Plan.



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## **Community Non-Profit Capital Process Update Approved by Board, July 2023**

#### Approved added expectations from the prior year's process:

- 4. The project should leverage funding
- 5. The non-profit should have capacity to administratively manage the project
- 6. Projects have documentation that they are far enough along to provide confidence that it will succeed; request timeline should reflect that
- 7. Projects should increase services, not only maintain existing facilities
- 8. Projects from community non-profits where the County may have a long-standing obligation to continue to provide services if the entity did not exist will be prioritized over those where such as obligation does not exist

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#### Community Non-Profit: Bennett's Village

FY 25: \$65k

 To construct adaptive recreation amenities at Pen Park



Community Non-Profit: Blue Ridge Area Food Bank

#### **UPDATE**

Staff recommends removal from the Recommended CIP, project has identified sufficient other funding

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Community Non-Profit: Earlysville Volunteer Fire Company

FY 27: \$800k

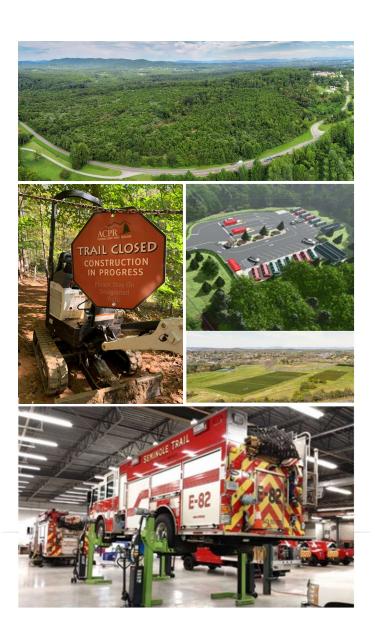
 Renovation to the facility, such as bunkrooms, bathrooms, lockers, and turnout gear storage Community Non-Profit: Seminole Trail Volunteer Fire Company

FY 27: \$230k

 Elevator and extension of apron from building

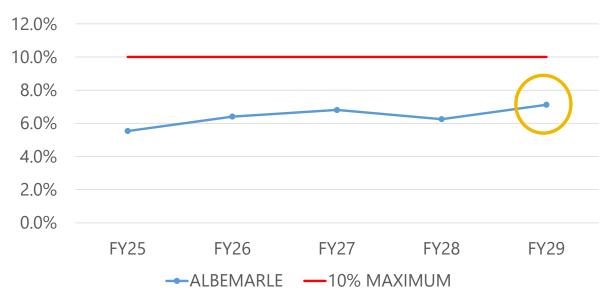
## **Debt Management**

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### FY 25 – 29 CIP, Comparison to Financial Policies adopted Sept 2022

## Debt Service as Percentage of General Fund and School Fund Revenues



- Additional County capacity to borrow, compared to FY 25-29 Recommended CIP:
  - 8% level = \$60 million
- Capacity not planned for as of today due to related funding required

## What would be considered if projects can be added to the FY 25-29 CIP?

- Does the County have debt capacity?
  - Up to \$60 million at 8% level, as of today
- Does the County have the related funding needed?
  - 5% "pay as you go" funding portion of projects = \$3.0 M
  - Annual Debt Service, for each year of life of bond:
    - Lease Revenue: \$4.97 M
    - General Obligation \$4.87 M
  - Funding source: Future discussion in FY 25 budget process

### Break, if Board desires

### **Scenarios leading to March 27 Work Session**

- Technical Updates
- Options for Board Consideration
- Board Discussion
  - Desired outcome: Narrow options for Board consideration on March 27
  - Questions for consideration:
    - Does the Board have prioritized expenditure changes that a majority may support?
    - Does the Board have prioritized funding source changes that a majority may support?
    - What information, if any, does the Board need ahead of taking action to propose tax rates and a budget on March 27?

## **Technical Updates**

General Fund		
Revenues		
Jaunt (One-time)	+ \$257,505	
State Revenue - Compensation Board (ongoing)	+ \$114,295	
Expenditures		
Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (ongoing)	+ \$100,268	
Charlottesville Area Transit	+\$0	
Parks and Rec. Unfunded Vacancy Modification (Maint. Worker vs. Trails Technician)	+\$0	
Reserve for Contingencies	+\$257,505 one-time & +\$14,027 ongoing	
Capital Fund		
Expenditures		
Community Capital: Blue Ridge Area Food Bank	- \$165,000	
RSWA: Ivy Landfill Remediation	+ \$74,178	
Balance for Future Programming	\$90,882	

### **Options for Board Consideration: Summary**

#### **Expenditures**

#### **Funding Sources**

Fire Rescue: North Garden & Berkmar (1/2 Year)

FY 25: \$463,897 ongoing, \$201,025 one-time

FY 26: \$921,842 ongoing, \$0 one-time

**HART Expansion (1/2 Year)** 

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One-time costs for any items added

**Transient Occupancy Tax** 

\$0.9 M per 1%, shared revenue

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**Service Reductions** 

\$0.5 M

Other items requested by at least one Board member

Real Estate Tax

\$2.9 M per penny, shared revenue

### **North Garden Staffing & Berkmar Ambulance**

#### **North Garden**

- 7 FTE to provide 24/7 coverage
- Half year of funding in FY 25
- Partially funded through FEMA SAFER Grant for 3 years

#### **Berkmar Ambulance**

- 9 FTE to provide 24/7 coverage
- Half year of funding in FY 25
- If not awarded the FEMA SAFER Grant, would reduce Berkmar to weekday daylight hours only & reallocate savings to North Garden

	FY 25 (1/2 Year)	FY 26
One-time	\$201,025	\$0
Ongoing	\$739,308	\$1,496,691
Sub-total	\$940,333	\$1,496,691
FEMA SAFER Offset*	\$275,411	\$574,849
Total	\$664,922	\$921,842

## Human Service Alternative Response Team (HART)

#### **HART Expansion**

- 3 FTEs (Human Services, Police, Fire Rescue) to provide second HARTS team
- Half year of funding in FY 25
- Provides improved coverage for Monday Friday, 7:00 4:00
- Allows for expanded hours in evening & potentially weekend hours

	FY 25 (1/2 Year)	FY 26
One-time	\$151,946	\$0
Ongoing	\$151,937	\$307,984
Sub-total	\$303,883	\$307,984
State Revenue Offset*	\$16,221	\$32,443
Total	\$287,661	\$275,541

### **Sheriff – Temporary Detention Order Deputy**

#### **Temporary Detention Orders:**

- New deputy position will be utilized for Temporary Detention Order transportation to and from mental health facilities.
- This position will also be expected to perform the other essential job functions of Sheriff Deputies.
- Original request was for 4.5 Deputies, below amounts represent cost per Deputy

	FY 25	FY 26
One-time	\$98,025	<b>\$</b> O
Ongoing	\$103,614	\$105,414
Total	\$201,639	\$105,414

### **Expenditure Summary**

#### **Includes:**

- North Garden Staffing & Berkmar Ambulance
- HART Expansion
- Sheriff: Temporary Detention Orders

	FY 25	FY 26
One-time	\$450,996	\$0
Ongoing	\$994,859	\$1,892,014
Sub-total	\$1,445,855	\$1,892,014
Revenue Offset*	\$291,632	\$607,292
Total	\$1,154,222	\$1,284,722

### **Expenditures: Other Items**

- Items requested by at least one Board member for further consideration, alphabetically:
  - General Fund
    - Emergency Assistance Funding
    - Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville
    - Human & Social Services staffing, beyond HARTS Team
    - Loaves and Fishes (Agency Budget Review Team process)
    - Police Department staffing
    - Virginia Cooperative Extension: 4-H Program
- Any other items from the document provided to the Board, "General Fund Requests not included in the FY 25 Recommended Budget"

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## Funding Options Capital Advancing Strategic Priorities Reserve

- Budgeted in Capital, began in FY20, uses have included:
  - Southern Convenience Center Development
  - Reas Ford and Earlysville Road Intersection Improvements
  - Rio Road Corridor Study
  - Brookhill Proffered Site Study
  - TJPDC Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Match
  - Lambs Lane Campus Study
- Not a required reserve by Financial Management Policies
  - "Reserve to support potential Strategic Plan priority projects or to provide funding for other emerging organizational needs."
- Balance of \$1,893,705
- Recommended source for one-time costs

## Funding Options Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)

If the rate is increased from 8% to 9%, effective 7/1/24 = +\$871,992

Category	Split	Revenue
Capital & Debt	10%	\$87,199
Public School Operations	54%	\$470,876
County Government Operations	36%	\$313,917

## Funding Options Personal Property Tax Revenue

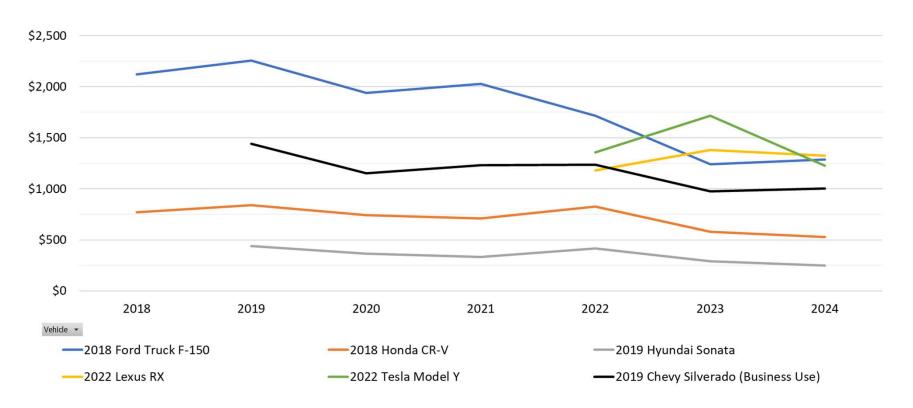
- Rate applies to individual vehicles, motorcycles, boats, as well as business tangible personal property & machinery and tools
  - Calculated at the current rate of \$3.42 per \$100 of assessed value
  - Each penny on personal property tax rate = \$0.1 M
- CY 22: car values increased significantly; Board decreased rate by 86 cents from \$4.28 per \$100 valuation to \$3.42 per \$100 valuation
- CY 23: car values fell, rate remained at \$3.42 per \$100 valuation
- CY 24: values projected to further decrease, \$1.2 million from FY 24 Adopted

## Funding Options Personal Property and Machinery & Tools Tax Revenue

- If rate increases from \$3.42 to \$3.96, per \$100 assessed value, effective 1/1/24
  - FY 25 revenues would approximately equal previous peak, \$36.6 M in FY 22
  - 54-cent rate increase would generate +\$4,509,275

Category	Split	Revenue
Capital & Debt	10%	\$450,927
Public School Operations	54%	\$2,435,008
County Government Operations	36%	\$1,623,339

## Sample Vehicle Personal Property Tax Bills, CY 2018 – 2024, assuming 2024 rate of \$3.96



## **Funding Options Real Estate Tax**

• FY 25: Each penny on the tax rate = +\$2,889,947

Category	Split	Revenue
Capital & Debt	10%	\$288,995
Public School Operations	54%	\$1,560,571
County Government Operations	36%	\$1,040,381

## **Revenue Summary**

Sources	Total	Capital & Debt (10%)	Public School Operations (54%)	County Government Operations (36%)
Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT), 1% increase	\$871,992	\$87,199	\$470,876	\$313,917
TOT + 54 cent Personal Property & Machinery & Tools (PP & MT)	\$5,381,267	\$538,127	\$2,905,884	\$1,937,256
TOT, PP & MT + Service Reductions	\$5,881,267	\$538,127	\$2,905,884	\$2,437,256
TOT, PP & MT, Service Reductions, + 1 cent Real Estate	\$8,771,214	\$827,121	\$4,466,456	\$3,477,637

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    - Does the Board have a preferred funding source option?
      - Or an order of options?
- Next Step: March 27 work session to propose tax rates & budget for public input



### **FY 25 Budget Calendar**

## March

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