

CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER FY23 CAPITAL BUDGET QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

? #	ITEM #	COUNCIL MEMBER	TOPIC	QUESTION	STAFF LEAD	ANSWER	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Can you please adjust all figures with 2 decimal points so document is easier to read and then reissue?	Joe Febrizio	It was requested by the City Manager that I remove any decimal points i.e., .00 for every entry. If all concur I can easily make that change.	
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Can you somehow color? code items beyond 2023 that would be encumbered? committed? with the passage of this year's plan?	Joe Febrizio	There is no funding commitment to any item in the spreadsheet beyond 2023. The only items the City is committing to are the 2023 (City Funding Column).	
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Where are funds for new pc's and laptops to replace very old ones? Is that in the General Fund budget?	Joe Febrizio	I have not received any request for the replacement of PC's or Laptops. In my opinion this should be in the operating budget.	IR - Budgeted in Operating A1680.52220 - \$66,042.00
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Where is Time and Attendance Software line? Shouldn't it be in 2023 City Funding but denoted FRB as its reimbursable?	Joe Febrizio	I did not receive a request to incorporate Time and Attendance Software in the Capital Budget. The only FRB request received was for a Fixed Asset Management System in the amount of \$250,000. It is item 100 on the spreadsheet. \$250 K is included in the 2023 City Funding column because it is my understanding that FRB is a reimbursement program. In other words, the City has to borrow the funding before it is reimbursed. This is briefly explained in the "sister spreadsheet" that was provided. The Time Management Software has been added to the Capital Budget (ITEM 100A) in the amount of \$50,000.	IR - to be changed \$200K for Executime and \$50K for Fixed Asset Management software
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	For the Current Funding, as of 3/2022 Borrowed column, which funds are reimbursable via FEMA, GOSR, etc., and which funds aren't?	Joe Febrizio	Item 62, FEMA HMP Building Projects (\$1,726,842), represents funds that have been borrowed for use in implementation of future FEMA HMP building projects i.e., City Hall, 150 West Pine Street, Animal Shelter, etc. Item 88, Sandy Recovery Services, which contains \$37,522 is utilized for the same purpose.	
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Can you please share the Capital Project Summary Request Form for Item #17, Canal - Dredging?	Joe Febrizio	I will forward to all City Council members under separate cover	
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Item #61 Rehabilitation of Central Garage. I believe there was an extensive process undertaken to evaluate the property for possible sale, etc. I do not recall the Council receiving formal, written communication on all the steps taken, the findings nor any recommendations. I would like to receive such documentation prior to making any new funding decisions regarding this physical property, even though there is supplemental FEMA funding allotted for this project.	Joe Febrizio	For the past five years there have been discussions regarding the sale of the Central Garage. For this duration, we have put the proposed FEMA HMP work on hold and have held off on needed upgrades to the facility. A Phase 1 Assessment was performed, however, the City opted not to proceed to the Phase II Assessment because of Environmental issues which need to be remedied prior to sale. If the City's intent is to sell the building I will gladly remove this item from the Capital Budget. Please advise.	What was/is involved in the Phase I and Phase II Assessments? Maybe that can be part of the memo.
		McInnis	Spreadsheet	Item #56 Ice Arena Rehabilitation of Bathrooms. I believe there was a process undertaken to evaluate the facility, as well as two unsuccessful RFP rounds to outsource management of the facility. I would like a realistic assessment of the costs and benefits of running this facility (in its current form) for the short and long term, before making any new funding decisions, even though there are other capital projects in-process including the new roof and design and construction services.	Joe Febrizio		The RFP for the Ice Arena was not successful due to the bidders wanting to run the day to day operations at cost to the city. No bidder will take over the entire arena without the much needed capital improvements and/or a schedule of capital improvements made by the city.
		Lester	Spreadsheet	In the 5 year capital plan under borrowed we have a total of \$34,592,554 in the un-encumbered column and city funding of \$11,044,000 and \$18,752,668 for funded projects and \$143,285,496 for Non city funding all it seems for 2022-2023. On top of that is the authorized but non issued money that is unadded. Then at the end of the first page is another non city funding line for 2023 that has different amounts than the other 2023 non city funding column. Could all this please be explained?	Joe Febrizio	The total in the borrowed/un-encumbered column (\$34,592,554) represents a cumulative total of all projects for the General, Sewer, and Water Funds. The funding is available, however, there has been no Purchase Order issued for any of the work associated with the project. The \$11,044,000 at the bottom of the 2023 City Funding Column is the cumulative total being requested (and voted on by the City Council) for General, Sewer, and Water Fund. The \$18,752,668 represent the funds awarded the City through the New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program. These projects include the Drainage Improvements Project (\$6,528,030) and the Northshore Bulkhead Project (\$4,738,012 (West) and \$7,486,625 (East)). I will remove these projects from next year's Capital Budget in as much as they will be 100% complete. The \$143,285,496 is the cumulative total (General, Sewer, and Water) of all projects that are being funded through grants, etc. For example the majority of the \$143,285,496 is comprised of the \$102,000,000 we will be receiving from FEMA and GOSR for the Long Beach Water Pollution Control Consolidation Project and \$33,560,395 awarded to the City for the Northshore Critical Infrastructure Protection Project. Please note on April 14, 2022, we were notified by FEMA that our request for additional funds in the amount of \$5,578,842.81 was approved. Thus, \$39,139,237.81 is now available for the Northshore Infrastructure Protection Project. The cumulative total in the 2023 Non-City funding column will be increased from \$143,285,496 to \$148,864,338.	

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