

CITY COUNCIL

MISSION

The City Council is the elected, representative body vested with the legislative authority of the city government. In this capacity, the City Council formulates policies to ensure the general health, safety, and welfare of the community, exercises oversight of the city's departments, and advocates for the needs and priorities of the city and its neighborhoods at local, state, and national levels.

BUSINESS LINES

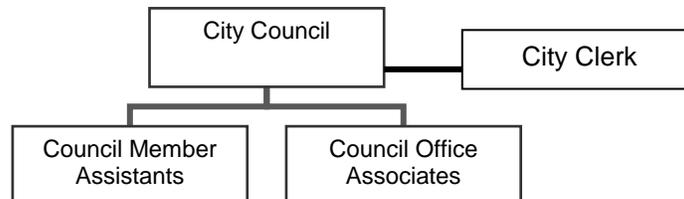
Develop and implement City policies and programs in conjunction with the Mayor. Serve as a resource and advocate for constituents.

MEASURES

- Percentage of residents who rate Minneapolis as a good or very good place to live.
- Percentage of residents who rate Minneapolis government as good or very good at representing and providing for the needs of all residents.
- Percentage of residents who rate Minneapolis government as good or very good at effectively planning for the future.
- Percentage of residents who rate Minneapolis government as good or very good at providing value for their tax dollars.

What are the department's key initiatives for the current year?

- Increase percentage of people who live and work in Minneapolis that report satisfaction with City services.
- Increase opportunities among citizens for dialogue about their expectations for Minneapolis City government.
- Increase the consistency of elected official's tax related decisions with a comprehensive municipal tax policy.



City Council

General Fund: \$1,835,339

City Council & Clerk

The City Council is charged with providing for the general health, safety, and welfare of the city and its residents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the City Council has the power to adopt, amend, and repeal public policies; to levy and apportion taxes, make appropriations, and adopt budgets; to oversee organizational performance and the delivery of municipal services and programs; and to make appointments to subordinate boards and commissions. Finally, as representatives of their respective wards, Council Members help articulate and advocate for the needs, priorities, and interests of their constituents. This

proposal enables the City Council to exercise leadership for all areas of Minneapolis City Government.

Because of broad policy mandates impacting all City goals, no measures are associated with this program.

Council Staff – Constituent Services

General Fund: \$1,257,239

City Council & Clerk

The Constituent Services program encompasses a wide range of services and activities that enable Council Members to meet the needs and expectations of their constituents, neighborhoods, and stakeholders/partners in a coordinated, timely, and professional manner.

Measure: Accessible programs and services

Council Staff – Policy Development

General Fund: \$1,398,406

City Council & Clerk

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Measure: Satisfaction rating of internally provided City services

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

EXPENDITURE

The 2012 budget for Council is an 8.7% increase from 2011. Council is 100% funded by the general fund and does not bring in revenue.

MAYOR’S RECOMMENDED BUDGET

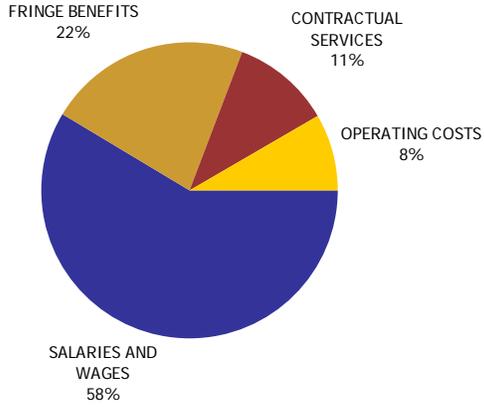
The Mayor recommends that Council be separated from City Clerk and Elections.

- City Council: The Mayor recommends no change.
- Council Staff – Constituent Services: The Mayor recommends a ten percent reduction from 2011 spending levels because 311 reduces the call volume to Council offices.
- Council Staff – Policy Development: The Mayor recommends no change.

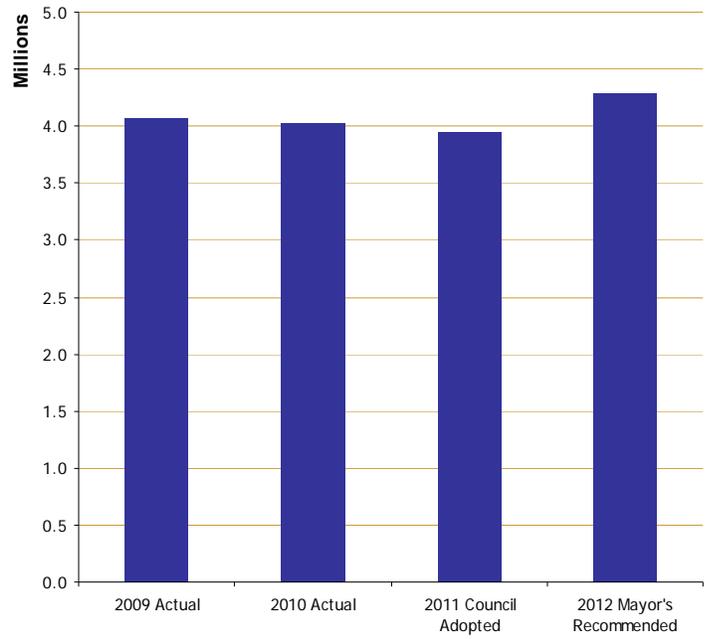
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EXPENSE AND REVENUE INFORMATION**

EXPENSE	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Council Adopted	2012 Mayor's Recommended	Percent Change	Change
GENERAL						
SALARIES AND WAGES	2,515,891	2,617,675	2,448,772	2,510,465	2.5%	61,693
FRINGE BENEFITS	698,434	762,459	813,937	956,436	17.5%	142,499
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	517,460	355,059	364,597	468,697	28.6%	104,100
OPERATING COSTS	338,606	294,481	321,420	356,875	11.0%	35,455
CAPITAL					0.0%	0
TOTAL GENERAL	4,070,391	4,029,674	3,948,726	4,292,473	8.7%	343,747
TOTAL EXPENSE	4,070,391	4,029,674	3,948,726	4,292,473	8.7%	343,747

Expense by Category



Expense 2009 - 2012



Staffing Information

Division	2009 Budget	2010 Budget	2011 Budget	2012 Mayor's Recommended	% Change	Change
COUNCIL	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	0.0%	0.00
POLICY DEVELOPMENT	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	0.0%	0.00
CONSTITUENT SERVICES	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	0.0%	0.00
TOTAL	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	0.0%	0.00

Positions 2009-2012

