

FY 2027 Goal Setting Financial Policies

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Purpose of Financial Policies

Establish policy guidance on financial management

Provides cohesive policies and practices

Critical to maintain a strong financial position

Flexibility/adapt to changing economic conditions

Allows San Antonio to perform well financially

Key element of City's excellent bond ratings



Current Financial Policies

- Maintain a minimum General Fund ending balance of 15%
- Manage structural balance in the General Fund
- Maintain a Two-Year Budget Plan for the General Fund
- Annually review the impact of the State-imposed 3.5% Property Tax Cap on service delivery and provide a recommendation on whether to adjust the Property Tax Rate
- Annually review property tax relief with a focus on homeowners

Current Financial Policies Continued

- Annually review and periodically adjust fees and charges to provide for cost recovery, consumer relief, and/or alignment with policy goals
- Maintain Public Safety spending below 66% of the General Fund
- Maintain \$3 Million contingency in the Capital Budget
- Address Internal Fund deficits within three to five years
- Annually assess the City's payment from CPS Energy to determine the portion, if any, deemed to be unusual, out of the ordinary, and one-time in nature, and make recommendations for that amount taking into consideration factors such as the City's overall financial position, impact on service delivery, benefit to the community, and responsible ownership