# Long Beach Utilities Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

May 17, 2023



#### FY 24 Budget Workshop Schedule

- **Today** Review Water, Gas, and Sewer Fund Proposed FY 24 Budgets
- **May 25** Review FY 24, rates, reserves, and five-year financial projections
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#### FY 24 Budget Highlights

- Combined utility with a \$323M budget with over 530 employees providing Natural Gas, Water, and Sewer services to nearly 160,000 customers, maintaining 3,500 miles of pipeline
- \$60M annual investment in critical pipeline, wells, tanks, and infrastructure
- Continued focus on efficiencies, cost reductions, and enhanced customer service



# FY 24 Water Fund



## **Budgetary Headwinds**

- Drought and conservation response
- Climate change and reliability of water supply
- Inflation and rising cost of imported water

## **Budgetary Tailwinds**

- Large-scale CIP investments enhancing local reliability and resiliency
- Investments in enhanced customer service technologies
- Sound financial policies and budgeting practices ensuring good credit rating, fiscal resiliency, and competitive and stable rates

# FY 24 Water Fund Summary (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	156,109	162,428	6,319
Total Revenues	149,243	157,722	8,479
Fund Balance Gain/(Loss)	(6,866)	(4,706)	2,160



# FY 24 Water Fund Revenues (in \$1,000's)

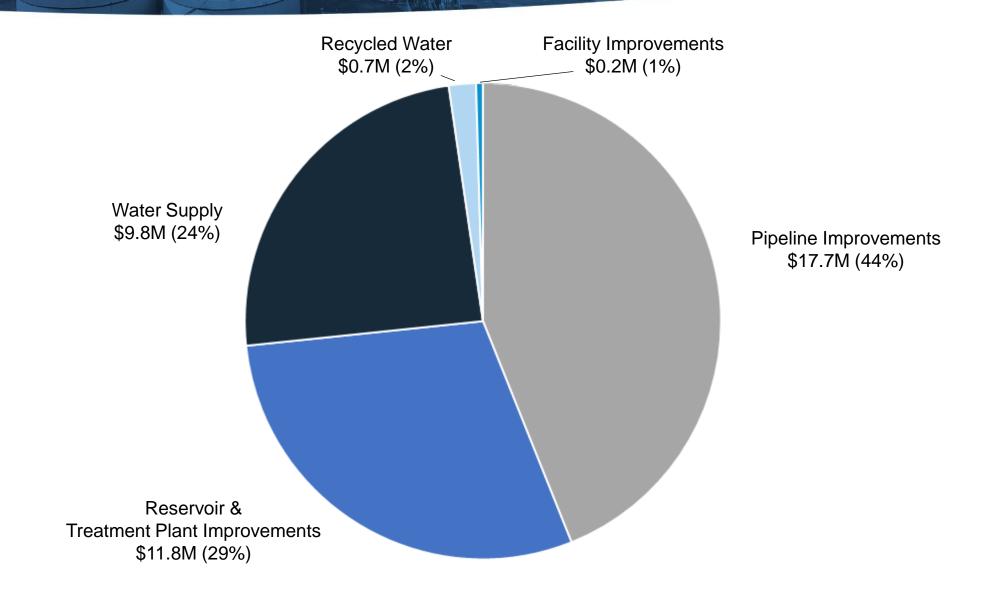
	FY 23	<b>FY 24</b>	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Potable Water Sales	112,870	112,954	84
<b>Reclaimed Water Sales</b>	4,914	5,073	159
Misc Revenue	9,966	15,750	5,784
<b>LOC Debt Proceeds</b>	15,500	20,500	5,000
Reimb CIP	5,993	3,445	(2,548)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	149,243	157,722	8,479

## FY 24 Water Fund Expenditures (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Personal Services	33,569	34,537	968
O&M	74,972	78,452	3,480
CIP	41,127	42,208	1,081
Debt Service	6,441	7,231	790
GF Transfer	2,100	2,100	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	156,109	162,428	6,319



#### FY 24 Water Fund CIP Estimates



# FY 24 Sewer Fund



# FY 24 Sewer Fund Summary (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	23,183	23,503	321
<b>Total Revenues</b>	20,664	21,396	732
Fund Balance Gain/(Loss)	(2,519)	(2,107)	412

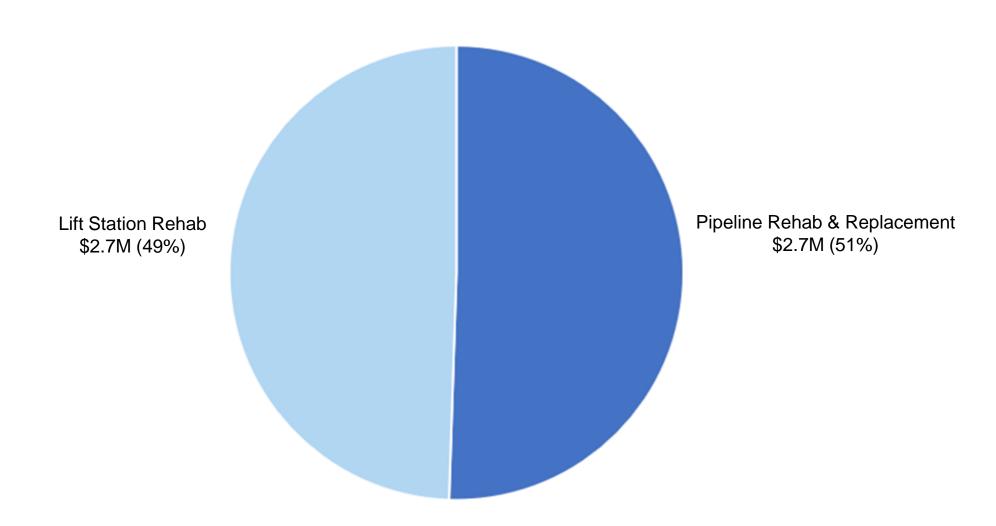
# FY 24 Sewer Fund Revenues (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Daily Service Charge	12,215	11,993	(222)
<b>Volumetric Sales</b>	6,186	6,073	(112)
<b>Sewer Capacity Charge</b>	2,000	2,200	200
Misc Revenue	263	1,130	867
<b>Total Revenues</b>	20,664	21,396	733

# FY 24 Sewer Fund Expenditures (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Personal Services	7,127	6,986	(141)
O&M	8,716	8,978	262
CIP	5,179	5,379	200
GF Transfer	2,161	2,161	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	23,183	23,503	320

#### FY 24 Sewer Fund CIP Estimates



# FY 24 Gas Fund



## **Budgetary Headwinds**

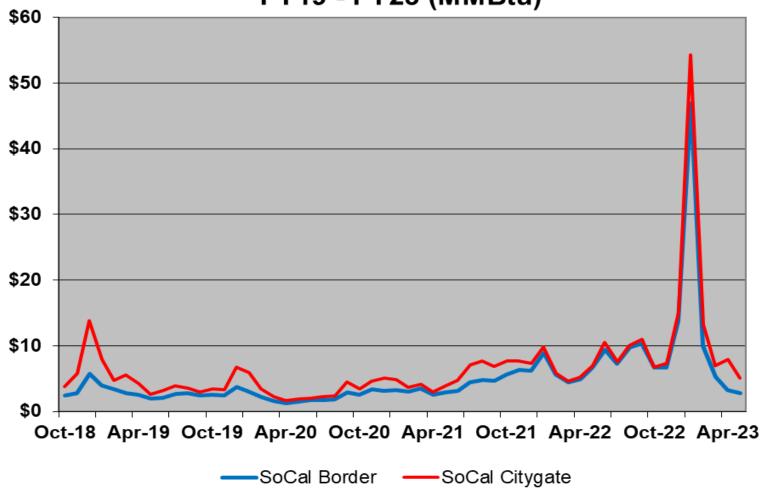
- Supply constraints, market exposure, and cold winters, and reduced customer demand over the last few years
- Customer arrearages
- Supply chain bottlenecks and inflation

## **Budgetary Tailwinds**

- Gas pre-pay deal
- Investments in enhanced customer service technologies and community outreach through Public Affairs
- Enhanced Board oversight of budget, financial planning, reserves, and rates

#### **Natural Gas Index Pricing**

#### First of Month Natural Gas Index Price FY19 - FY23 (MMBtu)



# FY 24 Gas Fund Summary (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Total Expenditures	121,016	136,918	15,903
Total Revenues	119,581	135,610	16,030
Fund Balance Gain/(Loss)	(1,435)	(1,308)	127

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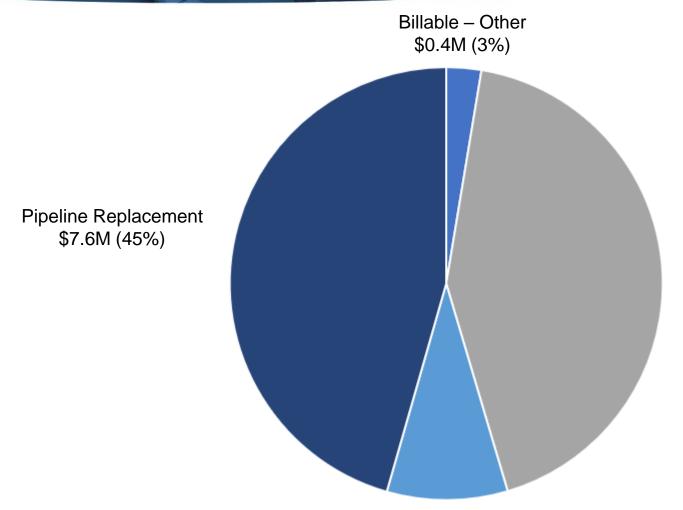
	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
Gas Transmission Revenue	51,471	51,507	36
Gas Commodity Pass-Through	37,140	50,000	12,860
Gas Services Fees	13,865	13,865	0
AB32	11,300	11,300	0
MOUs	4,436	5,064	628
Misc Revenue	1,370	3,876	2,506
Total Revenues	119,581	135,610	16,030

# FY 24 Gas Fund Expenditures (in \$1,000's)

	FY 23	FY 24	
_	Budget	Budget	Variance
<b>Gas Commodity Cost</b>	37,140	50,000	12,860
Personal Services	27,366	28,442	1,076
O&M	25,762	28,626	2,864
GF Transfer	13,898	13,000*	(898)
CIP	12,050	12,050	0
AB32	4,800	4,800	0
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	121,016	136,918	15,902



## FY 24 Gas Fund CIP Estimates



Billable – POLB (Pier B Rail) \$7.1M (43%)

Cross Bore Inspections \$1.5M (9%)

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