

City of Myrtle Beach 2012-13 Budget

First Reading, May 8, 2012
Public Hearing, May 22, 2012
Second Reading (proposed), June 12, 2012

Public Hearing Requirement

S.C. Code Sec. 6-1-80 requires:

Notice of a Public Hearing on the City's operating budget must be published

- x in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the area
- not less than fifteen days in advance of the public hearing
- minimum of two columns wide with a bold headline
- ★ including contents as described in 6-1-80 (B).

The City published the required notice in the Sun News on Friday, May 4, 2012 and held the Public Hearing on May 22, 2012.

Property Tax Rate Limitations

- The budget includes no increase in the millage rate
- SC Budget & Control Board has not advised the City regarding its operating millage limit for 2011-12 per Sec. 6-1-320. CPI is 3.2%; population figures are expected by early June.
- Thus, the City's limit is at least 3.2% for 2012 plus 10.8% allowed but not implemented for the three previous tax years
- Debt Service Millage is not subject to the limit; must be set at a rate sufficient to provide sufficient funds to pay debt service

Changes since First Reading

- Sec. 8
 - adjusts Mayor's salary to \$50,000 base with \$500 per month car allowance
 - sets Council compensation \$15,000 base and \$495
 per month car allowance (no change)
 - Changes become effective following the November 2013 election.
- Fee schedule for Whispering Pines Golf Course has been adjusted to retain \$35.00 limit for City Residents only, as opposed to "locals."

FY 2012-13 Manager's Recommended Budget

	Governmental Funds	Enterprise Funds	Capital Projects	Grand Total
Revenues and Other Financing Sources	127,325,020	<u>35,294,271</u>	9,486,220	<u>172,105,511</u>
Expenditures/ Expenses and Other Financing Uses	127,325,020	35,294,271	9,486,220	172,105,511
Non-expense items: Enterprise Capital Projects			5,133,500	5,133,500
Total Financing Uses	127,325,020	35,294,271	14,619,720	172,105,511
Less: Interfund Transfers	(22,973,142)	(1,194,150)	(238,000)	(24,405,292)
Total Mgr's Recommendation	104,351,878	34,100,121	14,381,720	<u>152,833,719</u>

Comparison of Actual and Budget, 2011-2013

	2010-11 Actual	2011-12 Proj.	2012-13 Budget	% Change
Gov. Operations	\$ 114.0	\$ 127.3	\$127.3	0.0%
Ent. Operations	35.4	34.9	35.3	1.1
Total Operating	149.5	162.2	\$162.6	0.2
General Capital Project Authorizations	1.4	9.2	9.5	3.3
Enterprise Capital Project Authorizations	<u>5.0</u>	<u>5.2</u>	<u>5.1</u>	(1.9)
Total	155.9	176.6	177.2	0.3
Less: Interfund Tsf	(19.7)	(23.7)	(24.4)	3.0
Grand Total Appropriations	\$ 136.1	\$ 152.9	\$152.8	(0.0)%

Revenues

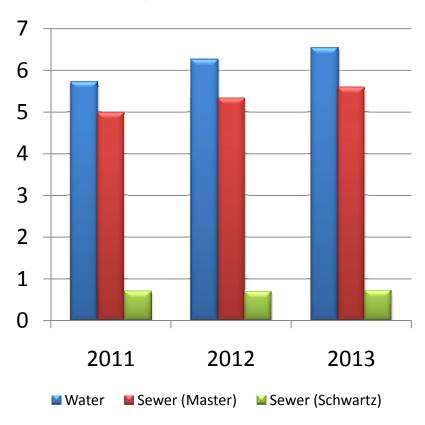
- Maintain tax rate of 66.1 mills
- For primary residences inside the City, the rate is 7.6 mills after the Tourism Development Fee credit
- No increases proposed in General Fund revenues
- Sewer rate increase of 7.5% per rate plan (blended rate increase is approx. 3.8-4.5% depending upon meter size and consumption)

Water and Sewer wholesale cost increases effective Jan 2012 will be effective all year in 2013

Wholesale water and sewer rates

	Jan. 2011	Jan. 2012	Full Year FY2013	
Water	\$1.44	\$1.58	\$1.58	
Sewer (Master)	\$1.75	\$1.84	\$1.84	
Sewer (Schwartz)	\$2.48	\$2.60	\$2.60	

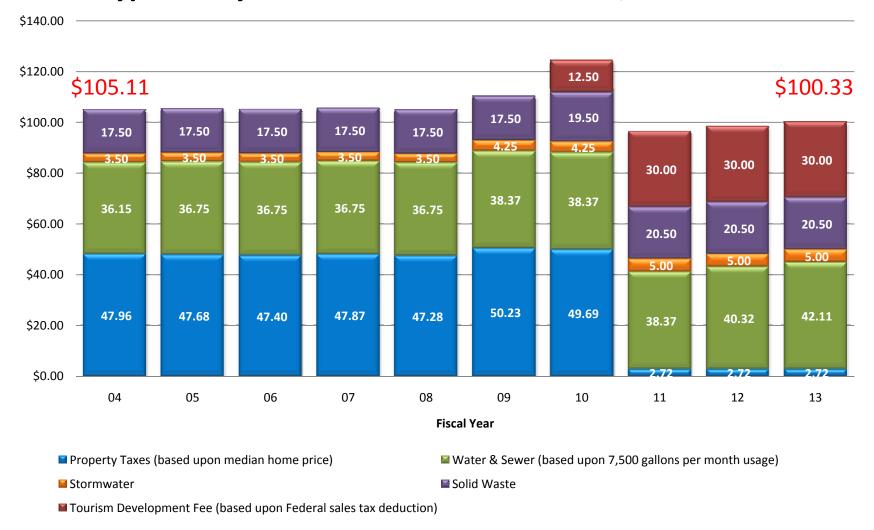
Actual/Projected wholesale costs



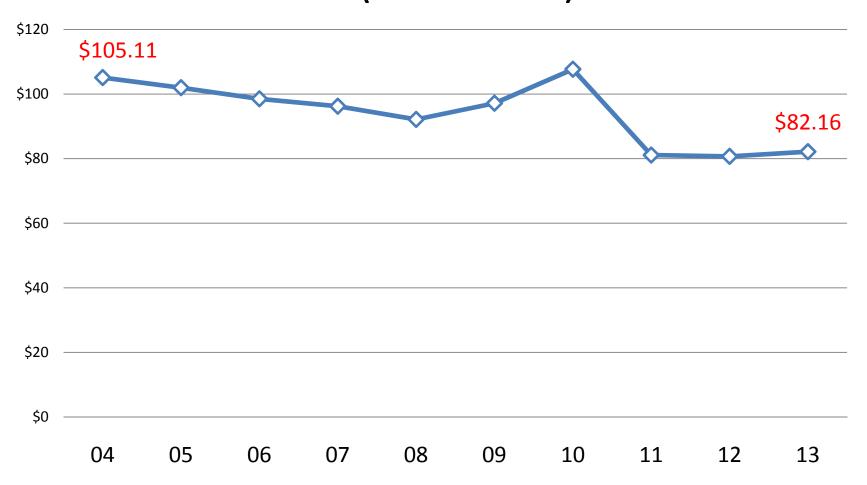
Water & Sewer Rate Impact Residential Customers

Monthly Consumption	Base Charges	Variable Charges	Total Charges	Monthly Increase over Current Charge
0	5.47	0.00	5.47	0.21
2,000	5.47	8.64	14.11	0.63
4,000	5.47	17.28	22.75	1.05
5,000	5.47	22.81	28.28	1.26
7,500	5.47	36.64	42.11	1.79
10,000	5.47	50.46	55.93	2.31

Typical City Residents' Costs of Services, 2004-2013



Inflation-adjusted Costs of City Services, Last 10 Years (in 2004 dollars)

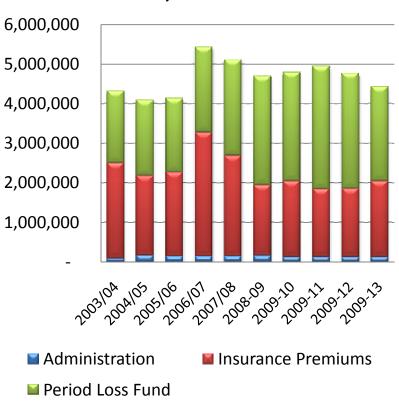


Operating Budget Highlights

- Fuel costs budgeted higher than in 2011-12 by 13.1% (\$98,000 GF) to provide for expected volatility
- Utility rate increases of 5-7% are expected
- Property and Casualty insurance appropriations are reduced by about 1/3 (\$914,000 GF) as necessary reserve levels have been met
- Health insurance and OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) costs are reduced by 13.0% as claims have moderated and attrition has offset most of the annual OPEB catch-up contribution amortization
- Limited increases in capital outlay are provided to replace essential equipment
- Funding is included for a 3% general adjustment to salaries and wages, effective with the first full pay period in July; no merit program for 2013

Property and Casualty Self-Insurance

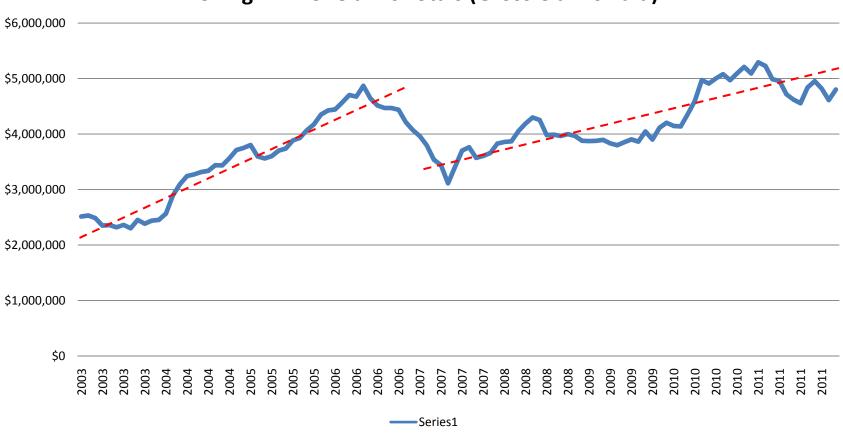
Self-Insurance Program Costs, FY2004-13



- Premiums have moderated since the Hurricane Katrina impact of 2006-07
- City's claims experience continues to improve
- The loss fund has reached a level such that we can afford to appropriate for its maintenance, resulting in a reduction of Period Loss Fund appropriations for 2013

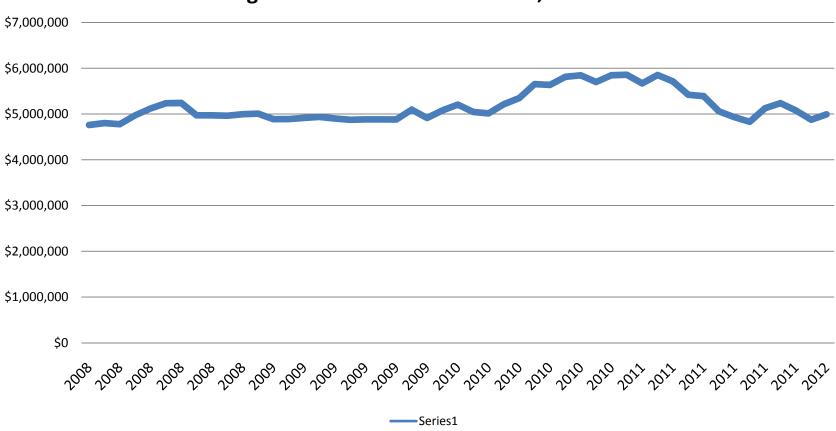
Health Insurance

Rolling 12-mo. Claims Totals (Gross Claims Paid)



Health Insurance

Rolling 12-month Net Claims Totals, 2008-2011



\$62.2 mm Five-Year Capital Improvements

\$8.8 million PAYG program emphasizing transportation improvements, parks and rec. facilities

\$7.1 million GO debt for finishing multi-field complex and Convention Center HVAC/roofing in 2012-13 and for Fire Station #7 at Harrelson Blvd. in 2016 (this project may be deleted) \$7.030 million in Tourism

Development funds for Stadium R&R, field turf at Ashley Booth, Ocean Blvd. 2nd to 9th N Conversion & Streetscape improvements

Possible completion funding for 4th Av and Ocean Blvd. 2nd to 9th Streetcape in 2015-16

\$17.7 mm in Water & Sewer Improvements, the largest projects being (1) the Replacement and capacity increase of the Force Main from 29th N. to Grissom and US 17 at 6.3 mm and (2) the Water and Sewer portions of the Ocean Blvd. 2nd Av. To 9th Av. N. at a total of \$5.3 mm

Planned Capital Improvements, in \$\$ Millions

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
PAYG	\$1.735	\$1.685	\$1.735	\$1.835	\$1.885
GO Debt	5.553				1.575
TDF	1.412	1.413	1.420	1.410	1.375
Ocean front TIF			8.031	13.460	
Water & Sewer	4.793	3.241	7.455	1.375	0.800
Totals	\$13.493	\$6.339	\$18.641	\$18.080	\$5.635