

BUDGET BRIEF

The Tipping Point Budget Priority: (4) Creating High Performing Government

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Specialized reporting capabilities by council district

The Tipping Point

Budget includes a property tax roll forward of 2 mills

This is not a windfall

Pre-K collections – \$84 million

Post-K collections – \$73 million

Already approved rollback of

Board of Liquidation: 7.9 mills

Sewerage and Water Board: 6.1 mills

City of New Orleans: 10 mills



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Total rollback 24 mills

Programs proposed to be funded with 2 mill roll forward

Public Safety Officers: \$800,000

New Orleans Recreation Department Program Enhancements: \$1.6 million

Juvenile Court Youth Resource Center: \$500,000

Office of the Inspector General: \$1.3 million

Total: \$4.2 million

Checks are No Longer in the Mail!

The \$117 million from the LRA

\$300 million State Revolving Loan Fund

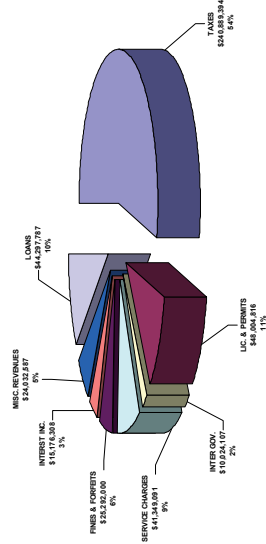
\$260 million Voter-approved Bond Issue

\$514 million in GO Zone Bonds

\$54 million from Federal Highway Administration for roadway projects

\$77 million from Federal matches (Surface Transportation Plan, Off System Bridge

FY 2008 PROJECTED REVENUES



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City of New Orleans 2008 Budget

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Creating the Foundation for Recovery

- Restored utilities to entire city
- Addressed budget shortfall – cut City staff by nearly 3,000 employees
- Removed 32 million cubic yards of debris
- 31 trips to Washington, D.C., to lobby for federal assistance
- Shared financial updates with capital markets immediately after storm

Restored City Services

- Focused first on recovering areas that received 2-feet of water or less.
- Filled more than 60,000 potholes, repaired 12,000 street lights, replaced over 12,000 street signs, and cleaned over 7,000 storm drains and 1.3 million feet of drainline

Federal Funding Support

- Out of 1.14 Billion allocated for rebuilding after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita
- City of New Orleans has received and spent \$233M

2 Years of Hard Work

Focused on Public Safety

- Increased police officer salaries
- More officers on the street- currently 1,419 officers, exceeding goal of 1,400
- Reduced officer attrition; Heightened effort to address violent crimes
- On track to meet year-end goal of 200 crime cameras

Focused on Cleaner Communities

- Returned to twice-weekly garbage pickup
- Disney-like garbage service in the French Quarter
- Demolished 8,000 storm-damaged houses (1800 properties remain)
- Exceeded Gutting/Board budget goal of 5,000 homes for seniors/low-mob families

Created Recovery Office

Established Office of Recovery Management

First recovery plan in the state to be approved by the Louisiana Recovery Authority

Recruited and Retained Employees

- Effectively responded to changing market conditions by
- Increased staff and pay for departments of City Planning and Safety & Permits, eliminating backlog for permits in non-historic areas
- Mid-year pay raise based on survey conducted by Civil Service Commission

Unprecedented Reorganization

- Restructured city government to meet work demands of recovery
- Creating project delivery task force to focus on executing recovery projects expediently and efficiently
- Continue to explore opportunities to outsource project management services

Tourism and Airport are Rebounding

- 3.6 million people visited New Orleans in first six months of 2007; 3.7 million people visited for all of 2006
- Visitors are projected to spend \$4.5 billion in New Orleans this year- record set in 2004 at \$4.9 billion
- Airport is at 81.5 % of flights and 75.8 % of seats offered Pre-Katrina.
- Free wireless service available and improved airport security system underway

The Budget Approach

- Continue track record of transparency, accountability and good stewardship of citizens tax dollars
- Adopted Government Finance Officers Association model for municipal budgeting
- City of NO budget connects rebuilding/recovery priorities into a financial model that tracks results and measures accountability
- First time this approach to government budgeting has been implemented in the City of New Orleans

The Tipping Point: Budget Priorities

(1) Continue to Invest in Public Safety

- Lease of new fire trucks; Replace vests for police officers
- Provide NOPD officers with crime fighting equipment

The Tipping Point: Budget Priorities:

(2) Recovery and Livable Communities

- Investing in Management and Enforcement
- Develop Community Standards Ordinance
- Upgrade code enforcement efforts
- Outsource to Project Management firms to handle demolitions and debris removal
- Reorganize Office of Recovery Management to include Housing, Planning and Economic Development areas
- Invest in Temporary Trash Collection Services (TTF)

Budget Priorities: (2) Recovery and Livable Communities

Critical Roadwork Repairs

\$363 million in federal, state and local funds for roads, bridges, traffic lighting and sidewalk improvements. Replacing deficient bridges. Resurfacing major streets, urban arteries and minor streets throughout city.

Street reconstruction projects and streetscape improvements within 17 Target Zones:

The Tipping Point: Budget Priority: (3) Investing in Youth

Continue the Enhancement Youth Recreation Programs and Facilities. Partner with Recovery School District to extend school day and school year

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being the first major employer in city to increase the minimum wage