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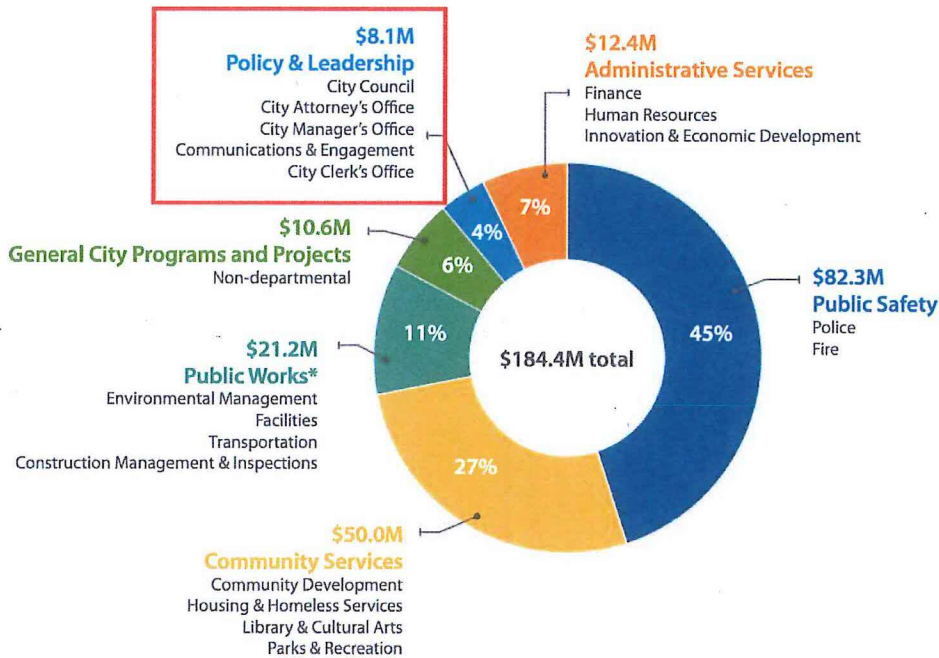
Dear Mayor Blackburn and Members of the City Council,
I am a 45 year resident of Carlsbad and am writing to ask you NOT to exempt public safety from a ballot measure proposed for November 2024.

I voted for Proposition H back in 1982 with the limiting of \$1M for the acquisition or improvement of real property by the City of Carlsbad. I voted then because City spending *can* become unlimited without a stopgap measure by the voters.

Although the increase in property values and improvement costs have certainly increased dramatically since 1982, I would understand the need to increase the \$1M limit. I would vote for a \$2M limit but not the amount of \$3.09M as suggested by the proposed ballot Measure.

In addition, with the City Manager warning citizens that expenditures are increasing over the next decade by the City, it is time that the City Manager curtail unnecessary spending from the General Fund. Currently the majority of expenditures from the General Fund is approximately 45% (circle graph from the Fiscal year 2021-2022). I don't have more recent data at this time.

General Fund Expenditures



I am concerned with the exception of Public Safety to the Proposed Prop H limits, that increases could go well beyond current expenditures for the purchase and improvement of real property. The voters need to be involved with the process of expenditures of ALL facets which include Public Safety. And I know the City is eyeing the purchase of land for the new fire station near Cannon Rd.

Therefore in Conclusion, I ask that you allow a ballot measure for the increase of current Prop H expenditures from \$1M to \$2M and include Public Safety. Tax dollars from real property home ownership provide the greatest percentage of the income each year to the General fund and we as tax payers need to continue to be involved in large expenditures.

Thank you,
 Kris Wright
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