

Department Summary

Overview

The Finance Department manages the financial planning and accounting for the City, including revenue forecasting and expenditure control. The Department also provides financial reporting, payroll services, purchasing, accounts payable, business license, and administration of the City's outstanding debt obligations, while acting in a fiduciary capacity for assessment districts. The Department assists the City Manager in the preparation of the Annual Program Performance Budget, invests City funds for both short and long-term purposes, and provides cash management services for the City in support of the elected City Treasurer. The Department is also responsible for the completion of the annual audit of all City funds, and related audits for gas tax, federal funds, Measure B/BB, and the coordination of audits of the City's component unit - Alameda Municipal Power (AMP), under the auspices of the elected City Auditor.

The department's mission statement is to provide professional financial and accounting information support to City departments to facilitate fiscal and organizational decisions by departments in achieving their goals and objectives.



Workplan Highlights

- In FY 2013-14, the City received awards of excellence for its budget from both the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers and the Government Finance Officers Association.
- The Finance Department presents quarterly financial and investment reports to the City Council so as to provide information needed for effective analysis of the City's financials and investments in a more user-friendly manner.
- The Finance Department presents quarterly sales tax, investment and financial reports to keep the City Council informed of the City's financial health.
- The Finance Department, in conjunction with the City Treasurer and independent investment firms, received an award of excellence for the City's revised investment policy from the United States and Canada Treasurer's Association (USCTC).

Goals / Performance Measurements

- 1. Manage the financial resources of the City, consistent with financial policies and budget principles established by the City Council.
- 2. Provide timely budget and financial reports to City departments to assist in meeting departmental missions.
- 3. Ensure sound budget and expenditure control oversight and reporting of the City's funds to protect the fiduciary interest of the community.
- 4. Administer City expenditures in conformance with municipal code requirements for contracts and payables.
- 5. Update or establish written documentation for various finance policies and procedures.
- 6. Issue renewed business licenses within 14 days of application receipt, 99% of the time.

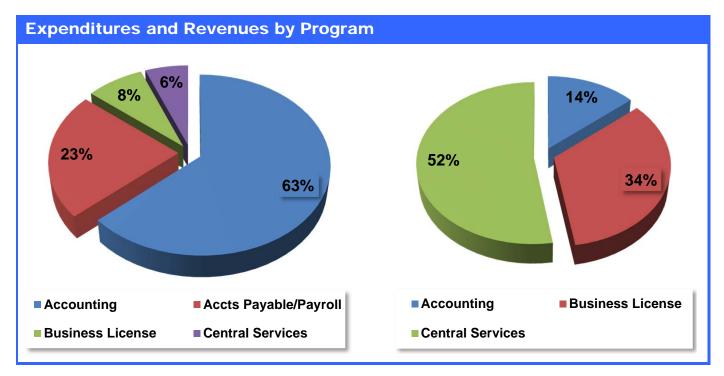
Goal No. / Performance Measurement	Relates to Objective		FY 14-15 Estimate		FY 16-17 Budget
Percent of business licenses issued within 14 days (from receipt of complete application)	6	N/A	99%	99%	99%



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Expenditure Summary by Program									
<u>Program Name</u>	FY 13-14 Actual	FY 14-15 Budget	FY 14-15 Projected	FY 15-16 Budget	FY 16-17 Budget				
Accounting/Cash Management Accounts Payable/Payroll Business License Central Services	\$ 1,172,334 532,247 243,739 115,184	\$ 1,249,000 618,000 248,000 138,000	\$ 1,216,000 592,000 213,000 130,000	\$ 1,339,000 643,000 229,000 135,000	\$ 1,417,000 671,000 238,000 136,000				
Total Program Budget	\$ 2,063,504	\$ 2,253,000	\$ 2,151,000	\$ 2,346,000	\$ 2,462,000				
Less: Program Revenues *	560,924	338,000	307,000	289,000	280,000				
Net Program Budget	\$ 1,502,580	\$ 1,915,000	\$ 1,844,000	\$ 2,057,000	\$ 2,182,000				
Cost Recovery % **	27%	15%	14%	12%	11%				

Fund Summary					
	FY 13-14 Actual	FY 14-15 Budget	FY 14-15 Projected	FY 15-16 Budget	FY 16-17 Budget
Program Budget by Fund General Fund (001)	\$ 2,063,504	\$ 2,253,000	\$ 2,151,000	\$ 2,346,000	\$ 2,462,000
Net Program Budget by Fund General Fund (001)	\$ 1,502,580	\$ 1,915,000	\$ 1,844,000	\$ 2,057,000	\$ 2,182,000



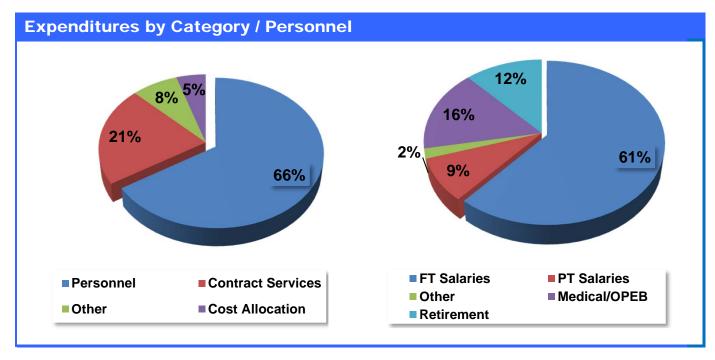
- * Does not include Business License Taxes, which are included as part of the City's general revenues
- ** Includes cost allocation charges to other non General Fund City programs.



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Expenditure Summary by Category									
Expenditure Category	FY 13-14 Actual	FY 14-15 Budget	FY 14-15 Projected	FY 15-16 Budget	FY 16-17 Budget				
Full-Time Personnel Part-Time Personnel Contractual Services Other Operational Costs Capital Outlay Cost Allocation	\$ 1,040,281 205,225 520,309 168,854 6,792 122,043	\$ 1,237,014 192,255 516,997 192,011 2,500 112,223	\$ 1,092,000 275,000 503,000 166,000 3,000 112,000	\$ 1,392,000 140,000 515,000 181,000 2,000 116,000	\$ 1,499,000 143,000 519,000 183,000 2,000 116,000				
Total Program Budget Less: Program Revenues	\$ 2,063,504 560,924	\$ 2,253,000 338,000	\$ 2,151,000 307,000	\$ 2,346,000 289,000	\$ 2,462,000 280,000				
Net Program Budget	\$ 1,502,580	\$ 1,915,000	\$ 1,844,000	\$ 2,057,000	\$ 2,182,000				

Full-Time Personnel Summary									
<u>Program</u>	Program Number	FY 13-14 Budget	FY 14-15 Budget	FY 15-16 Budget	FY 16-17 Budget				
Accounting / Investments	2410	5.35	5.30	5.55	5.55				
Accounts Payable / Payroll	2420	5.35	5.35	4.95	4.95				
Business License	2450	1.15	1.15	1.30	1.30				
Central Services	702001	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
1	Totals .	11.85	11.80	11.80	11.80				





Accounting/Cash Management

Program Description

The Accounting/Cash Management Program's responsibilities include accounting, assisting departments with their budgets, financial reporting, fixed asset management, debt service administration, and audits of all City funds. The City Auditor, who is elected to a four-year term, works with the City's independent auditor to complete an independent audit of all funds annually, as well as special audits as required by State law. This program also manages the investment portfolio of the City through the use of two third-party investment firms, in conformance with state and local ordinances. The investments are undertaken in cooperation with the City Treasurer.



Key Objectives

- 1. Provide monthly revenue and expenditure information to all departments by the middle of the following month.
- 2. Prepare quarterly and mid-year financial, investment and sales tax reports for the City Manager, Assistant City Manager and the City Council.
- 3. Complete annual audits for the City and Successor Agency by December 31st, in accordance with standards established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).
- 4. Update the Master Fee Resolution and Cost Allocation Plan annually.
- 5. Continue to apply for the GFOA's award for "Excellence in Financial Reporting" for the most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
- 6. Continue to apply for awards of excellence for its budget from both the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers and the Government Finance Officers Association.
- 7. Update the City's investment policy annually in accordance with standards established by the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC) and the United States and Canada Treasurer's Association (USCTA).

Budget Highlights / Proposed Changes

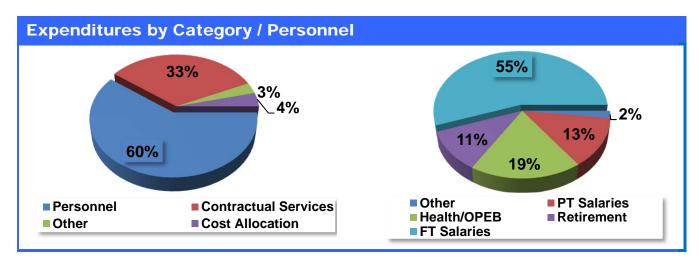
- Complete Implementation of new "cloud"-based version of existing Sungard/Pentamation accounting system to address recommendations made by the City's independent financial auditors.
- The variance in Cost Allocation is a result of the recently updated Cost Allocation Plan.
- The budget for FY 13-14 and 14-15 reflects a proposed reorganization of the department.



Accounting / Cash Management (2410)

Program Summary				General	Fund (001)
Expenditure Category	FY13-14 Actual	FY14-15 Budget	FY14-15 Projected	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget
Full-Time Personnel Part-Time Personnel Contractual Services Other Operational Costs Capital Outlay Cost Allocation	\$ 473,651 166,207 435,695 41,646 4,966 50,169	\$ 564,946 145,911 452,697 41,216 2,000 42,230	\$ 481,000 210,000 445,000 36,000 2,000 42,000	\$ 682,000 111,000 451,000 41,000 1,000 53,000	\$ 754,000 114,000 454,000 41,000 1,000 53,000
Total Program Budget % Variance	\$ 1,172,334	\$ 1,249,000	\$ 1,216,000 3%	\$ 1,339,000 10%	\$ 1,417,000 6%
Less: Program Revenues	55,148	49,000	48,000	39,000	39,000
Net Program Budget	\$ 1,117,186	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,168,000	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 1,378,000

Full-Time Personnel	Full-Time Personnel Summary									
<u>Position</u>	Bargaining Unit	FY13-14 Budget	FY14-15 Budget	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget					
City Auditor	ELCT	Elected	Elected	Elected	Elected					
City Treasurer	ELCT	Elected	Elected	Elected	Elected					
Finance Director	EXME	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50					
Financial Service Manager	MCEA	-	-	0.50	0.50					
Finance Supervisor	MCEA	1.00	1.00	0.75	0.75					
Accountant II	MCEA	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					
Accountant I	MCEA	0.85	0.80	0.80	0.80					
Senior Account Clerk	ACEA	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					
Intermediate Clerk	ACEA	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					
Totals		5.35	5.30	5.55	5.55					





Accounts Payable and Payroll

Program Description

The Accounts Payable and Payroll Program's responsibilities include accounts payable and payroll in compliance with City ordinances and department policies. This program oversees and enforces City purchasing, travel, vehicle, and credit card policies.

Key Objectives

- Process accounts payable invoices within 30 days of receipt 99% of the time.
- Update the City's purchasing policy and procedures manual and implement new procedures, including in regards to the use of purchase orders, ACH (automated clearing house) payments to vendors, Cal-card and the carryover of unspent purchase orders from one year to the next.
- 3. Issue Forms 1099 and W-2 by January 31.
- 4. Implement online timecard system for selected departments.
- Develop written procedure manuals for each program function.



- Investigate the feasibility of direct deposit of non salary payments to employees and alternate forms of bi-weekly payroll payments to those employees not on direct deposit.
- 7. Automate the process for receiving vendor payment requests from departments.

Budget Highlights / Significant Changes

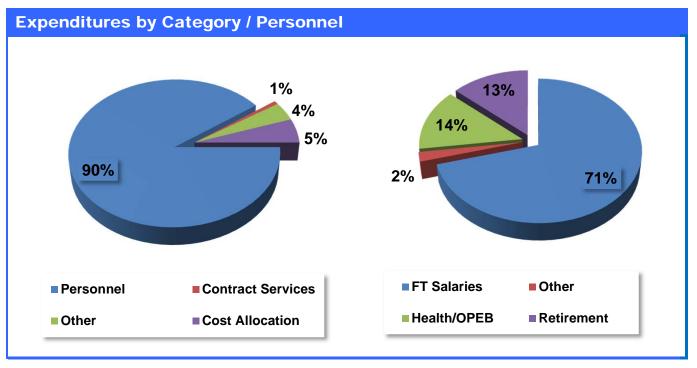
- For FY 13-14, the variance in personnel expense is due to a reorganization of the department.
- The variance in cost allocation is a result of the recently updated Cost Allocation Plan.



Accounts Payable (2420)

Program Summary				General	Fund (001)
Expenditure Category	FY13-14 Actual	FY14-15 Budget	FY14-15 Projected	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget
Full-Time Personnel Part-Time Personnel	\$ 462,224	\$ 544,134	\$ 493,000 32,000	\$ 576,000	\$ 604,000
Contract Services Other Operational Costs	5,943 23,250	4,330 30,099	3,000 24,000	5,000 27,000	5,000 27,000
Capital Outlay	1,386	-	-	· -	, -
Cost Allocation	39,444	39,437	40,000	35,000	35,000
Total Program Budget % Variance	\$ 532,247	\$ 618,000	\$ 592,000 4%	\$ 643,000 9%	\$ 671,000 4%
Less: Program Revenues		-		-	
Net Program Budget	\$ 532,247	\$ 618,000	\$ 592,000	\$ 643,000	\$ 671,000

Full-Time Personnel Summary								
<u>Position</u>	Bargaining Unit	FY13-14 Budget	FY14-15 Budget	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget			
Finance Director	EXME	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45			
Financial Service Manager	MCEA	-	-	0.50	0.50			
Finance Supervisor	MCEA	0.90	0.90	-	-			
Administrative Technician III	MCEA	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00			
Senior Account Clerk	ACEA	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00			
Totals		5.35	5.35	4.95	4.95			





Business License

Program Description

The Business License program's primary responsibility is to ensure that businesses and companies located in and/or doing business in Alameda have a current business license. This division processes renewal notices for current business licenses and issues new and renewed licenses as necessary, in accordance with the City's business license ordinance. Business license inspection and compliance is addressed on a complaint basis through non-judicial compliance.

Key Objectives

- 1. Issue renewal notices by May 15th.
- 2. Issue renewed business licenses within 14 days of application receipt, 99% of the time.
- 3. Place delinquent business licenses on the tax role by August 10th of each year.
- 4. Implement an on-line business license application module.
- 5. Look to revise the non-tax related portions of the City's business license ordinance.

Budget Highlights / Significant Changes

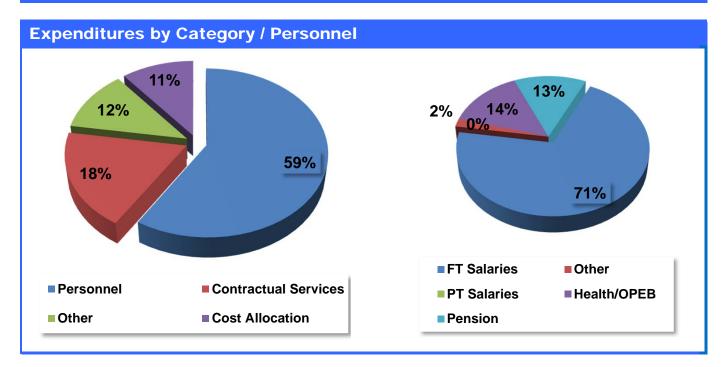
- The budget for FY 13-14 and 14-15 reflects a proposed reorganization of the department.
- The variance in Cost Allocation is a result of the recently updated Cost Allocation Plan.



Business License (2450)

Program Summary				General	Fund (001)
Expenditure Category	FY13-14 Actual	FY14-15 Budget	FY14-15 Projected	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget
Full-Time Personnel	\$ 104,406	\$ 127,934	\$ 118,000	\$ 134,000	\$ 141,000
Part-Time Personnel Contractual Services	10,971 62,057	17,502 43,445	4,000 40,000	43,000	- 44,000
Other Operational Costs Capital Outlay	36,687 440	31,820 -	24,000	27,000 -	28,000 -
Cost Allocation	29,178	27,299	27,000	25,000	25,000
Total Program Budget % Variance	\$ 243,739	\$ 248,000	\$ 213,000 14%	\$ 229,000 8%	\$ 238,000 4%
Less: Program Revenues *	340,620	140,000	110,000	101,000	91,000
Net Program Budget	\$ (96,881)	\$ 108,000	\$ 103,000	\$ 128,000	\$ 147,000

Full-Time Personnel Summary								
<u>Position</u>	Bargaining Unit	FY13-14 Budget	FY14-15 Budget	FY15-16 Budget	FY16-17 Budget			
Finance Director Purchasing & Payables Coordinator	EXME MCEA	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05			
Finance Supervisor	MCEA	0.10	0.10	0.25	0.25			
Senior Account Clerk	ACEA	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			
Totals		1.15	1.15	1.30	1.30			



^{*} Does not include Business License Taxes, which are included as part of the City's general revenues



Central Stores

Program Description

The Central Stores program coordinates the purchase of commonly used items and services to support the day-to-day needs of City departments, including paper stock, postage, stationery, and forms printing. Centralized purchasing of these types of items enables the City to take advantage of bulk pricing at the best available cost. This program also provides mail delivery services to all City departments.

Key Objectives

- 1. Strive to obtain the best possible pricing for various types of centrally purchased office supplies.
- 2. Continue to improve workflow between receiving departments and billing (Finance).
- 3. Provide timely and accurate distribution and processing of interoffice and external mail.

Budget Highlights / Significant Changes

• The variance in Cost Allocation is a result of the recently updated Cost Allocation Plan.





Central Stores (702001)

Program Summary								General	Fui	nd (001)
Expenditure Category	_	Y13-14 Actual	_	Y14-15 Budget	_	Y14-15 rojected	_	-Y15-16 Budget	_	Y16-17 Budget
Part-Time Personnel Contractual Services Other Operational Costs Capital Outlay Cost Allocation	\$	28,047 16,614 67,271 - 3,252	\$	28,842 16,525 88,876 500 3,257	\$	29,000 15,000 82,000 1,000 3,000	\$	29,000 16,000 86,000 1,000 3,000	\$	29,000 16,000 87,000 1,000 3,000
Total Program Budget % Variance	\$	115,184	\$	138,000	\$	130,000 6%	\$	135,000 4%	\$	136,000 1%
Less: Program Revenues Net Program Budget	\$	165,156 (49,972)	\$	149,000 (11,000)	\$	149,000 (19,000)	\$	149,000 (14,000)	\$	150,000 (14,000)

Full-Time Personnel Summary					
<u>Position</u> Totals	Bargaining Unit	FY13-14 Budget -	FY14-15 Budget -	FY15-16 Budget -	FY16-17 Budget -

