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**Notice/Advertisement Title:** Operating Budget: Dept. of Public Service Public Hearing

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Wednesday, January 21st, 2026 at 4:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

Councilmembers in attendance: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla, Councilmember Day-Achauer

- 4:00 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla calls hearing to order
- 4:01 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla describes the proposed changes to city code and their background
- 4:05 PM: Dept. of Public Service Deputy Director Andrea Lossick begins presentation of the operating budget of \$178, 911, 569
- 4:07 PM: Dept. of Public Service is funded by the following sources: General Fund, Street Construction Fund, Mobility Enterprise Fund, Private Inspection Fund, and Construction Inspection Fund
- 4:08 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla asks about the Mobility Enterprise Fund
- 4:11 PM: Proposed 2026 Budget includes the following: 7.9% Director's Office
- 4:14 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks on LinkUs; the operating budget supports the planning and coordination for the execution of LinkUs
- 4:16 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla speaks on the way multiple stakeholders are working on the LinkUs project
- 4:17 PM: Dept. of Public Service speaks on the adequate staffing of LinkUs and the work being done with COTA for the bus rapid transit lines
- 4:21 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks on the refuse division proposed budget of \$37, 765, 355
- 4:22 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla clarifies that Councilmember Wyche chairs that specific division of the dept. (refuse)
- 4:23 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks on mobility and parking services proposed budget of \$31, 421, 477
- 4:26 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla comments on the traffic management portion of the budget as well as vision zero initiative
- 4:27 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks more on mobility enterprise fund
- 4:27 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks on the infrastructure fund
- 4:28 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick speaks on snow and ice removal- 325K to support the use of private snow contractors during major weather events
- 4: 32 PM: Deputy Director James Young speaks on the upcoming potential winter storm this coming weekend
- 4:35 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick on div on traff mgt budget of \$24, 152, 287
- 4:37 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick on div of design and construction \$27, 164, 586
- 4:37 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla asks AL to talk about street resurfacing program
- 4:38 PM: Deputy Director Andrea Lossick expands on the resurfacing program
- 4:45 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla talks about bike plus and how the budget reflect what residents see in their neighborhoods
- 4:46 PM: Deputy Director James Yoing speaks on staff time, making decisions for infrastructure for shared use paths (for example)
- 4:47 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla addresses the growth rate of the city and how that impacts infrastructure
- 4:48 PM: Dept. of Public Service responds on plans for future growth
- 4:53 PM: Councilmember Barroso de Padilla makes additional remarks and closes the hearing