



Summary of Virtual Community Budget Hearing Minutes, Electronic and Voicemail Budget Comments

This report transmits the summary minutes of two Virtual Community Budget Hearings held April 14 and April 15, 2021, electronic budget comments from residents who did not wish to speak during Virtual Community Budget Hearings held April 14 and April 15, 2021, and resident budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department from April 13 through April 19, 2021. Summary minutes for the April 10, 2021 Spanish language hearing are being translated and will appear in the General Information Packet on April 29, 2021.

Summary

For the month of April staff provides weekly budget comments received by the Budget and Research Department via phone and email. Staff also provides summary minutes of Virtual Community Budget Hearings.

Comments received are responded to by Budget and Research staff and/or the appropriate City department.

Summary of Community Feedback

Below is a summary of the comments received between April 13 and April 19, 2021 through Virtual Community Budget Hearings, and received directly by the Budget and Research Department.

Comments for additional funding/support of the budget:

- (45) additional funding for a civilian only response for mental health and crisis response calls for service, (39) of the comments specifically calling for the expanded Community Assistance Program to be an independent function from Public Safety.
 - (44) additional funding for addiction and substance abuse, and a rehabilitation center in West Phoenix.
 - (38) additional funding for HUUB/Phx Biz Connect.
 - (36) additional funding for the elimination of Public Transit fares.
 - (32) additional funding for affordable housing, rental assistance, and veterans housing.
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- (30) additional funding for the park on 55th Avenue and Samantha.
- (18) additional funding for shaded bus stops, dedicated bus lanes, and expanded Public Transit services.
- (17) additional funding for street improvements at 3rd and 5th Avenue in the Willow neighborhood.
- (14) additional funding for green spaces, cool corridors, heat readiness, climate resiliency, and the Tree and Shade Master Plan.
- (11) additional funding for Arts and Culture.
- (11) additional funding for Human Services, workforce development, food programs, childcare, and senior programs.
- (9) additional funding for Street Transportation maintenance, cleaning, and repair.
- (8) additional funding for Parks and Recreation.
- (6) additional funding for Police, training, hiring officers, 911 operators, and other staff.
- (5) additional funding for youth programs, housing, and sports.
- (4) additional funding for historic preservation.
- (4) in support of the budget.
- (3) additional funding for programs assisting individuals experiencing homelessness.
- (2) additional funding for gated alleys.
- (2) additional funding for Libraries.
- (1) additional funding for Economic Development.
- (1) additional funding for Fast-Track Cities initiative to end HIV/AIDS in Phoenix.
- (1) additional funding for improvements and maintenance of the bike trail at 6th Avenue and 12th Street.
- (1) additional funding for Neighborhood Services.
- (1) additional funding for Police reparations.

Comments for reduced funding/opposition of the budget:

- (30) in opposition of increased funding for Police or in favor of reducing the Police budget.
- (2) in opposition of the budget.

Attachment A transmits the summary minutes from two Virtual Community Budget Hearings held April 14 and April 15, 2021. **Attachment B** lists the electronic comments from residents who did not wish to speak during the two Virtual Community Budget Hearings held April 14 and April 15, 2021. **Attachment C** transmits a summary of the electronic and voicemail comments regarding the budget for April 13 through April 19,

2021 and social media statistics for the same time period.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by City Manager Ed Zuercher and the Budget and Research Department.



City of Phoenix

To: Ed Zuercher
City Manager

Date: April 19, 2021

From: Amber Williamson
Budget and Research Director

Subject: VIRTUAL COMMUNITY BUDGET HEARINGS AND RESIDENT BUDGET COMMENTS

This report transmits summary minutes (**Attachment A**) from the Virtual Community Budget Hearings held on April 14, 2021, 5:30 PM, for Council District 4, and April 15, 2021, 5:30 PM, for bilingual hearing for Council District 5.

For the April 10, 2021 community-wide Spanish language hearing, the summary minutes are not included because they are being translated and will appear in the General Information packet on April 29, 2021.

At www.phoenix.gov/Budget, residents can access the 2021-22 City Manager's Trial Budget, Virtual Community Budget Hearing Information, and other detailed information. Under Virtual Community Budget Hearing, residents can view the following:

- Information on how to participate in Virtual Community Budget Hearings
- A schedule of the Virtual Community Budget Hearings
- The 2021-22 Budget Tabloid in English and Spanish
- FundPHX Budgeting Tool
- The Budget Hearing presentation video
- Videos of completed Virtual Community Budget Hearings.

Attachment B lists the electronic comments (eComments) from residents who did not wish to speak during the April 14th and 15th hearings. The eComments for the April 10th meeting will appear in the next General Information packet along with the minutes.

The Budget and Research Department also maintains an e-mail address and a voice mailbox for residents to provide comments on the budget. **Attachment C** transmits a summary of these comments for April 13-19, 2021, as well as social media statistics for that time period.

ATTACHMENT A
SUMMARY MINUTES
VIRTUAL COMMUNITY BUDGET HEARING
District 4
APRIL 14, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

Assistant City Manager Jeff Barton welcomed the audience to the eleventh Virtual Community Budget Hearing for District 4 at 5:37 p.m. Mr. Barton introduced Councilwoman Laura Pastor. Mr. Barton made general comments regarding the Trial Budget and the budget process.

Councilwoman Laura Pastor provided opening comments and welcomed those in attendance and thanked them for their participation.

Mr. Barton the Spanish-language interpreter, Mr. Mario Barajas. Mr. Barajas gave call-in instructions for both English and Spanish speaking audiences.

A video describing the 2021-22 Trial Budget was played.

Interim Assistant to the City Council Matt Heil briefly described speaking rules of conduct before calling on each registered speaker. A summary of each speaker's comments is shown below.

1. Dan Klocke spoke in support of increasing historical preservation funds to strengthen neighborhoods and create a stronger and healthy city.

Councilwoman Pastor asked Mr. Klocke to explain the amount he was requesting. Mr. Klocke stated he supported the \$200,000 proposed and any additional funds to preserve commercial buildings.

2. Jack Schwimmer registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
3. Ricardo Palomera registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
4. Amy Meglio is part of the Neighborhood Organized Crisis Assistance Program (NOCAP) and is in favor of an independent department separate from Police and Fire that would respond to non-violent and non-criminal emergency calls.

Additionally, she spoke in favor of a Laveen park at Samantha Way and 55th Avenue and climate change initiatives.

5. Marcus Reid registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.

6. Jeremy Schachter spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
7. Robert Cannon spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
8. Erika Gagnon registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak. She was able to connect later in the hearing. She spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects, bike lane barriers to protect cyclists from motorists, and additional one-way signage.
9. Jeremy Thacker expressed concern that residents are not able to access the budget in a detailed manner and cited the disconnect of information in the City's Open Checkbook program and the Inventory of Programs (IOP) document.

Councilwoman Pastor stated her staff have spoken to Mr. Thacker. She asked Mr. Barton to respond.

Mr. Barton stated he and Budget and Research Director Amber Williamson have spoken to Mr. Thacker. Mr. Barton explained the IOP and FundPHX documents are not designed to show the detail requested and that Mr. Thacker's request is more in-line with what is on the City's Open Checkbook maintained by the Finance Department. He stated the information does not exist at that detailed level. Mr. Barton stated staff have responded to Mr. Thacker's requests as much as possible, the budget is as transparent as possible, and the City has received awards for a transparent budget.

Councilwoman Pastor stated that the City does not currently have ability to provide information at the detailed level requested. She stated staff may research a system that could provide that level of information.

10. Tom Doescher spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
11. Linda Doescher spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
12. Opal Wagner spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
13. Bob Herman spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
14. Ide Gulotta spoke in support of not increasing the Phoenix Police budget.

15. Sandra Lefcovich spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
16. Donna Reiner spoke in support of the proposed increase for arts and culture and historic preservation funding.
17. Brad Brauer spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
18. Jenny Poon registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.

Councilwoman Pastor said Ms. Poon sent a text that expressed support for more funding for economic development.

19. Lara Sands spoke in support of funding the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
20. Zak Holman spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
21. Kush Govani spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
22. Anna Hernandez registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
23. Ann Bommersbach thanked staff for the comprehensive Trial Budget and spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
24. Kerry Brennan requested more information about the labor line item in the budget and labor negotiations and spoke in favor of reallocating funds for community services and homelessness.
25. Aaron Pratt spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
26. Michael Oleskow spoke in support of the proposed increase for arts and culture funding and an additional \$200,000.
27. Fred Ullrich spoke in support of the proposed increase for arts and culture funding.

28. AJ Marsden spoke in support of the budget and asked to ensure funding goes to sound practices and long-term outcomes and gated alleys.
29. Ethan Abegg registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
30. Jim Stewart spoke in support of funding the construction phase of the Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects.
31. John Sapero spoke in support of the \$250,000 budget for the Fast-Track Cities Initiative to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Phoenix.
32. David Martinez III spoke in support of the \$250,000 budget for the Fast-Track Cities Initiative to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Phoenix.
33. Adrian Keller spoke in support of the proposed budget for the creation of the Office of Heat Response and Mitigation and environmental program.
34. Mario Romero support of the proposed increase for arts and culture funding.
35. Michael Kruk spoke in support of allocating funds for affordable housing and a full-time position dedicated to veterans.
36. Michelle Jameson in support of allocating funds for affordable housing and a full-time position dedicated to veterans.
37. Adam Hawkins spoke in support of allocating funds for affordable housing and a full-time position dedicated to veterans.
38. Frank Dever registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
39. Cynthia Garcia was on the line but could not be heard. Mr. Heil told her that her phone may be on mute and that she could not be heard.
40. Nallely Morales registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
41. Ginnie Ann Sumner spoke in support of the budget, mental health responders, 911 operators, affordable housing, arts and culture, climate change and heat readiness, and Police. She requested trees to be planted at the Crosscut park at Thomas Road and supports the addition of a Parks Ranger Supervisor position to oversee the Urban Park Ranger Patrol Program if Phoenix CARES does not become the sole focus. She requested a phone number for park users to call for assistance with non-emergency parks issues.

Laura Pastor asked Ms. Sumner to expand on her Phoenix CARES comment.

42. Robert Nolan spoke in support of the proposed increase for arts and culture funding.
43. Richard deUriarte spoke in support of increasing historical preservation funds to strengthen neighborhoods and create a stronger and healthy city.

Councilwoman Pastor said Mr. deUriarte should have his granddaughter call in and advocate for historic preservation.

44. Ainsley Angounou registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
45. Tara Lowman-Raiford registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
46. Anne Ender spoke in support of the Trial Budget, the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association (PLEA) contract, funding for Police, and not approving the Neighborhood Organization Crisis Assistance Program (NOCAP).
47. Jerre Lynn Vanier registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
48. Ramon Gomez spoke in support of funding for a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.

Councilwoman Pastor stated she has heard about the need for this park for 14 years. She asked Mr. Barton if the budget would include the maintenance cost of the park.

Mr. Barton stated the cost to build the park is more than \$165,000 and the cost to maintain the park is about \$200,000 a year. He stated staff is looking at impact fees as a funding source.

49. Jacob Raiford registered to speak but was not on the phone when called to speak.
50. Rosa Pastrana spoke in support of funding Neighborhood Block Watch and adding 911 staff and interpreters.
51. Rebecca Denis spoke in support of not increasing the Phoenix Police budget.
52. Daisy Hernandez in support public labor negotiations and not increasing the Phoenix Police budget.

53. Kelly Kwok spoke in support of the Community Assistance Program (CAP), free transportation, bus only lanes, a rehabilitation center in west Phoenix, low barrier shelter and housing, and public labor negotiations.
54. Elizabeth Venable spoke in support of allocating funds for affordable housing.
55. Pamela Tracy spoke in support of funding for a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
56. Veronica Baca spoke in support of funding for a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
57. Ginger Sykes Torres' daughter Michaela spoke in support of the proposed increase for arts and culture funding and programs that will help with the climate and heat.

Councilwoman Pastor praised Ms. Torres for her comments.

58. Kenneth Logan spoke in support of allocating funds for affordable housing and a full-time position dedicated to veterans.

Councilwoman Pastor commended Mr. Logan for his successes.

Mr. Barton thanked the participants and asked Councilwoman Pastor for closing comments.

Councilwoman Pastor expressed her appreciation for everyone's participation and provided closing comments, including saying she is an advocate for Willow neighborhood 3rd & 5th Avenue street improvements projects. She encouraged residents to email her if something was missed. She also mentioned there were several eComments that advocated for the City to fund the HUUB and the PHXbizConnect platform.

The hearing ended at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

Carmen Panes
Management Assistant II

**SUMMARY MINUTES
VIRTUAL COMMUNITY BUDGET HEARING
District 5 - Bilingual
APRIL 15, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.**

Assistant City Manager Jeff Barton welcomed the audience to the twelfth Virtual Community Budget Hearing at 5:33 p.m. Mr. Barton introduced the meeting's host, Councilwoman Betty Guardado.

Councilwoman Guardado provided opening comments in English and Spanish.

Mr. Barton informed listeners that the budget hearings are available on the City of Phoenix's YouTube channel. He added that all comments received are consolidated and distributed to the City Council every Thursday in the General Information Packet. He stated residents that do not want to speak or are unable to attend can send email comments and that feedback helps the Council make decisions.

Mr. Barton introduced the Spanish-language interpreter, Mario Barajas. Mr. Barajas introduced his colleague Elsie Duarte and gave call in instructions for both English and Spanish speaking audiences.

Mr. Barton indicated a video would be played highlighting the proposed uses of the \$155 million surplus. He introduced Interim Assistant to the City Council Matt Heil.

Mr. Heil introduced the videos describing the 2021-22 Trial Budget, indicating the Spanish language video would be played followed by the same video in English.

Mr. Barton asked Mr. Heil to read the code of conduct. Mr. Heil read the code of conduct for public comment for meeting participants in English. Mr. Barajas read the same statement in Spanish. A summary of each speaker's comments is shown below.

1. Cynthia Garcia registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
2. Jennifer Valencia spoke in favor of reallocating funding to housing assistance, healthcare and income support.
3. Jerre Lynn Vanier registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
4. Karla Cruz spoke in support of allocating Police resources to help people with food, housing, and utilities.
5. Yazmin Sagastume spoke in favor of reallocating Police Crime Suppression Squad funds to funding for a rehabilitation facility in west Phoenix, permanent free transportation, housing support and an independent Community Assistance Program (CAP).

6. Viridiana Hernandez registered to speak but was not on the line when called. She was able to join the meeting later. She indicated she did not hear the previous caller's comments translated into Spanish. Mr. Barajas indicated the Spanish line is being interpreted. She asked if she could make her comments in both English and Spanish, and her request was granted. She indicated a lot of people were not able to sign-in to the budget hearing because the link was down until approximately 50 minutes into the meeting. She said there was not an announcement made for those that were waiting and the virtual budget hearing process has been very frustrating. She spoke in favor of reallocating Police funds to funding more accessibility to public records and Police reports, mental health crisis response, rehabilitation and substance abuse services in west Phoenix, free transportation, bus only lanes, and not approving increased funds for Police or the proposed addition of 75 civilian positions. She then provided her comments in Spanish.
7. Xyra Flores spoke in favor of providing support to marginalized communities.
8. Yuvixa Dominguez spoke in favor of reallocating funds to repair streets, build rehab centers, homeless facilities in west Phoenix, and permanent free transportation.
9. Mansoor Khafizov registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
10. Cleo Warner registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
11. Ismael Morales spoke in support of Phoenix arts and culture. Councilwoman Guardado asked Mr. Morales his opinion about the accessibility of grant funding for youth and people new to the community. He said the City has an annual grants process where interested people can apply. Councilwoman Guardado told the caller to let her know how she can help to engage youth.
12. Jaime De La Mora registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

13. Tiffany Avila spoke in favor of reallocating Police funds for free transportation, a rehab center on the west side, and a mental health crisis program. She expressed concerns about Police interaction with the community and their role in the community.
14. Jennifer Hernandez indicated she had a difficult time accessing the budget hearing and had concerns about translations. She spoke in favor of free public transportation, bus only lanes, resources for rehabilitation for addiction and substance abuse, and shelter for the homeless.
15. Linda Abegg spoke in favor of adding \$156,000 for building and maintaining the park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen. Ms. Abegg asked if residents will be able to see changes made from the Trial Budget. Mr. Barton explained the City Manager's Budget will show changes made from the Trial Budget.
16. Ines U. registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
17. Stephanie Gentry spoke in favor of adding funding for childcare in the budget.
Mr. Barton said in conversations he has had with elected officials, as the next round of COVID related funds are distributed, many on the Council have indicated they would like to see some of these funds go to childcare. Councilwoman Guardado asked Mr. Barton about existing COVID relief programs. Mr. Barton indicated the fund has been used to provide rent, mortgage and utility assistance and we are looking at additional community assistance programs, including business assistance, arts, youth, childcare and after school programs.
18. Marta U. registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

Councilwoman Guardado asked Mr. Heil if a list could be kept of callers so they could be reached later due to the problems people are experiencing in joining the meeting.

Mr. Barton introduced Budget and Research Director Amber Williamson to explain the technical issue that occurred at the beginning of the hearing. He also said Mr. Heil would circle back to the callers that initially were not on the line to see if they are on the line at the end of the hearing.

Ms. Williamson explained at www.phoenix.gov/budget/hearings the link to the WebEx was not working. Information Technology staff resolved the issue. She stated the WebEx link was available on the hearing information page, and the phone numbers to call into the hearing in English and Spanish were working. She apologized for the problem.

Mr. Heil indicated if the people who were registered but were not on the line to speak reconnected with the meeting, he will call on them.

19. William Escobar registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
20. Maxinino Hernandez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
21. Aimee EspoYesto registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
22. Inis Leno registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
23. Tina Luna said she had a problem getting into the meeting from the WebEx link. She spoke in favor of reallocating funds to free transportation to help kids, homeless and seniors.
24. Ramon Gomez said he had trouble getting into the meeting but called the number for help and was able to get in. He spoke in favor of building the park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
25. Nancy Torres spoke in favor of those in need of free transportation, rehab facilities on the west side for substance abuse and addiction and mental health services.
26. Alex Rodriguez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
27. Ana Orovco registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
28. Corraima Samaniega Ochoa spoke in favor of funding for mental health, addiction and substance abuse resources.
29. Gladiela Lopez Felix spoke in favor of the Community Assistance Program (CAP) and reallocating funds for free transportation, bus only lanes, mental health, substance abuse and addiction rehabilitation, and low barrier housing support.

Ms. Lopez Felix translated her own comments into Spanish.
30. Tiffany Avila spoke in favor of reallocating funds for free transportation, a rehab center on west side, and a mental health crisis program.

Mr. Heil stated callers that were not on the line had not rejoined the meeting. Additionally, he indicated several individuals registered to speak were calling from the same phone number and he would start calling on those individuals.

He said he would call on people that were previously not on the line if they joined the meeting.

31. Martha Avendano spoke in favor of reallocating funds to free transportation and more substance abuse and rehabilitation centers.
32. Josfina Hernandez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
33. Noemi Garcia spoke in favor of reallocating funds to rehab centers to help younger members of the community and to have better programs in schools for children.
34. Kathryn Krejci said she had trouble logging in to the hearing. She spoke in favor of reallocating funds for free transportation and housing, especially low barrier shelters for registered sex offenders and people with mental health problems.
35. Elodia Reyes spoke in favor of reallocating funds to Park amenities, rehab centers, green spaces, free public transportation, and safety.
36. Juana Rita spoke in favor of funding free transportation, young people and people suffering from addiction and for making the community safer.
37. BaYeslia Perez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
38. Ana Maria spoke in favor of funds to help young people overcome addiction and for more rehab centers. Additionally, she said funding is needed for free transportation and for hiring people to clean trash from the alleys.
39. Adriana Folorio spoke in favor of funding free transportation for all, more rehabilitation centers on the west side to help those with addiction, and for mental health centers.

Mr. Heil said they are still checking to see if people that were unable to connect are on the line.

Councilwoman Guardado thanked Mr. Heil.

40. Sonia Velasquez spoke in favor of rehab centers, free transportation, sensitivity and support towards the needs of the community.
41. Maria Guterrez spoke in favor of reallocating funds to rehab centers to help those with addiction.
42. Alma Chavez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

43. Alma Olvera registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
44. Israel Moreno spoke in favor of reallocating funds to rehabilitation centers for young people who are getting into drugs and free transportation.
45. Hector Garcia spoke in favor of reallocating funds to rehab centers to treat substance abuse.
46. Lore Valdez spoke in favor of more rehab centers and of an independent Community Assistance Program (CAP).
47. Anabell Gabino expressed support for reallocating funds for centers for people who have been hurt by the Police, free transportation, more 911 Operators, and rehab centers for young people and adults with substance abuse issues. She also asked that Police stop working with immigration enforcement and separating families.
48. Gerardo Urbina spoke in support of reallocating funds for job training facilities, rehab centers in the west valley, free transportation and mental health facilities.
49. Concepcion Franco expressed the need to be heard and to reallocate funds for free transportation, and rehab centers so people can get sober.
50. Naty Moreno spoke in favor of investing funds in cleaner and safer spaces in the community, activity centers for young people, clinics and street repair.
51. Juan Lopez spoke in favor of reallocating funds for free transportation for all, rehab centers in west Phoenix, and the expanded Community Assistance Program (CAP).
52. Arturo E. registered to speak but was not on the line when called.
53. Ana M. Calderon spoke in favor of reallocating funds for the needs of kids and youth including a community center and a rehab center, a hospital, more doctors, more dentists, and free transportation.
54. Martha Flores spoke in favor of reallocating funds for the needs of the community such rehabilitation of those suffering from substance abuse and mental health.
Ms. Hernandez interpreted Ms. Flores' comments.

55. Rosa Gomez was called upon, but a resident named Miros (no last name provided) responded.

Miro said Councilman Sal DiCiccio is her representative but that he does not represent her. She spoke in favor of reallocating resources for mental health and rehab centers.

56. Manuel T. registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

57. Holga G. spoke in favor of reallocating funds to invest in the youth.

58. Georgina Martinez spoke in favor of not funding the Police.

Mr. Barajas asked Mr. Heil if he could request those needing interpretation to speak slower. Mr. Barajas made his request in Spanish.

59. Ana Juarez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

60. Lourdes Miranda spoke in favor of reallocating funds to the community for parks, streets, schools, a community center for addicts and free buses.

An unnamed resident made comments in Spanish. Mr. Barajas interpreted saying several people that were supposed to make comments had to leave.

61. Irene Alvarez registered to speak but was not on the line when called.

62. Estela Varela requested solutions for the community including a free rehab center for documented or undocumented people. They need parks, schools and better streets.

An unnamed resident made comments in Spanish. Mr. Barajas interpreted saying there were only two more people left that wanted to speak. He also said the person asked if the next meeting could have simultaneous interpreting because many of the people who were registered to speak left because the meeting was taking so long.

62. Beta Rita spoke in favor of free rehab centers and community centers.

Mr. Heil informed Councilwoman Guardado that the last comment of the evening was received. Councilwoman Guardado provided closing comments in Spanish.

Mr. Barton thanked Councilwoman Guardado and everyone for participating and reminded everyone that the hearing is available on the City of Phoenix YouTube channel. He closed the hearing at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

Stacey Obal
Management Assistant II

ATTACHMENT B
ONLINE BUDGET COMMENTS
 2021-22 Virtual Community Budget Hearings
 April 14, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

Name	Comment
Taylor Wellman	<p>This is a locally grown tool that has now gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses. It is a highly-effective platform built by local leaders right here in Phoenix.</p> <p>HUUB has the support of several local leaders like myself and we encourage you to renew and expand the HUUB/PHX Biz Connect platform for Phoenix businesses. Thank you for your time, consideration and vision in bringing needed resource.</p>
Tiffany Bisconer	<p>Phoenix Councilmembers, I am personally reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p>
Steve Thompson	<p>Phoenix Councilmembers, I am reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p>
Zachary McCarty	<p>Phoenix Councilmembers, I am reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p>
Anita Nath	<p>No new money to Phoenix Police. We need to reallocate the funds towards other services that will better serve the community and not inflict violence and harm, as Phx PD does. The police do not need more money</p>
Diana Vasquez	<p>Phoenix Councilmembers, I am reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p>
Tabitha Myers	<p>Hello Phoenix Councilmembers, I am personally reaching out as a HUUB advisor to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. This is a locally grown tool that has now gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses. It is a highly-effective platform built by local leaders right here in Phoenix.</p>

ONLINE BUDGET COMMENTS
2021-22 Virtual Community Budget Hearings
April 14, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

Name	Comment
Frank Dever	Resident of district 8 asking the council to please include 156,000 in the budget to fund maintenance of a new park at 55th Ave & Samantha
Yazmin Sagastume	Our money should be going to the community to help with housing and shelter and free transportation! Not police.
Ben Laughlin	If the crisis response program is implemented, the money must come from the police department, not the surplus. The surplus needs to go to our community needs and safety. This program will reduce the number of calls police respond to, so that money shouldn't be kept by the police department, it should pay for the crisis response program. And the surplus funds should be used for direct community needs.
Rebecca Denis	The city needs to move \$15 million from the police budget to help pay for a new community driven crisis response program completely separate from Phx PD and invest in a five year plan. The budget should also move \$10 million from the Phx police crime suppression squad€ now that marijuana is recreational in AZ as most of that unit has been spent policing the use of marijuana. There are so many underfunded needs in the community and it's time to reinvest those funds. #DEFUNDTHEPOLICE
Ashley Oakes	<p>Hello Phoenix Councilmembers, I am personally reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
Danielle Luna	Hello Phoenix Council Members, I am personally reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this incredible community resource and further invest in the success of our local businesses.
Brenda Newhouse	<p>Hello Phoenix Councilmembers, I am a HUUB advisor. I think it makes sense to continue funding for this platform in Phoenix. Every city should have a tool such as this to help them in times of growth and in times of crisis so we can support one another efficiently and connect easily with leading community experts.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and continued investment into the Phoenix community and small businesses. - Brenda</p>
Vincent Orleck	If you're truly invested in supporting local business and entrepreneurs in Phoenix, you'll consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful, locally-built HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform. 400+ businesses are using the platform in the first month (!) and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end...its obviously valuable to MANY in helping them recover. Not to mention that its also gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work.

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Juan Kingsbury	<p>So that businesses can continue to get support in this critical time,I am personally reaching out to encourage you to consider renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB platform. As a SMB in Phoenix, this tool has been vital to helping me navigate the pandemic. I believe this platform should be a standard tool for all cities, especially Phoenix.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership in bringing impactful resources to Phoenix people and business. -JK</p>
Linda Abegg	<p>Please add the \$156,000 needed to maintain the park at 55th Ave and Samantha to the 2021-22 budget. This is an area of extreme growth and we need the City of Phoenix to make that growth responsible and sustainable by building needed infrastructure. We have paid into the impact fee fund to construct this park; please support the maintenance.</p>
Gabriel Ortiz	<p>Hello Phoenix Councilmembers, I am personally reaching out as a HUUB advisor to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses using the platform in the first month and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success.</p>
Kelly Kwok	<p>We demand \$15mil from PPD (not the surplus) for the new crisis response program. Communities hurt by covid need to get the surplus. The program will reduce the # of calls PD respond to, so that money should be reallocated to the program instead of hoarded by PD. Move \$10 mil from the PD crime suppression squad. NO 75 new civilian positions for PD. FUND Free transportation & bus only lanes -Rehabilitation services & a center in West Phx -Low barrier shelter/ housing support. Publicly NegotiateMOU</p>
Alexandra Perez	<p>Please do all that you can as a city council to support the Neighborhood-Organized Community Assistance Program's initiative to offer first responder services for mental health and other nonviolent crises. This program, given the independence to operate as a truly community run service without interference from police or other first responders, is desperately needed and can easily be sufficiently funded in the long term, simply by reallocating the gross funding currently funneled into the PHXPD.</p>
Vincent Salazar	<p>I am personally reaching out to encourage you to consider renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB platform so that businesses can continue to get support in this critical time. As a business owner in Phoenix, this tool has been vital to helping me navigate the pandemic and even grow.</p> <p>I make use of the following benefits on HUUB/Phx Biz Connect: Connected with other businesses Learned something new that I could apply to my business Able to connect with city and community resources.</p>

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Sheila Krueger	Hello Phx Councilmembers, I am personally reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. HUUB has the support of several local leaders like myself and we encourage you to renew and expand the HUUB/PHX Biz Connect platform for Phoenix businesses. Thank you for your time, consideration and vision in bringing needed, innovative resources to Phoenix residents and businesses.
Arvell Craig	Hello! My name is Arvell Craig and I am reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. This is a locally grown tool that has now gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses. It is a highly-effective platform built by local leaders right here in Phoenix. Thank you.
Felicia Penza	I am reaching out as a HUUB advisor to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. With more than 400+ businesses currently using the platform and with an expected growth of 1,000 businesses by year end, it would be a shame to not renew this community resource and further invest in our businesses success. This is a locally grown tool that has gained national recognition by the SBA and White House. Thank you.
Anebi Agbo	As a HUUB advisor, I encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. As a locally grown tool that has now gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses, it would be such a shame to not renew this wonderful resource to invest in our businesses. I applaud your vision in continuing to bring innovative resources to Phoenix residents. Thanks!
Vicente Reid	I am personally reaching out as a HUUB advisor to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. HUUB has the support of several local leaders like myself and we encourage you to renew and expand the HUUB/PHX Biz Connect platform for Phoenix businesses. Thank you for your time, consideration and vision in bringing needed, innovative resources to Phoenix residents and businesses
Brint Hiatt	I am personally reaching out as a HUUB advisor to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. HUUB has the support of several local leaders like myself and we encourage you to renew and expand the HUUB/PHX Biz Connect platform for Phoenix businesses. Thank you for your time, consideration and vision in bringing needed, innovative resources to Phoenix residents and businesses.
Jennifer Mansfield	I am personally reaching out to encourage you to consider renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB platform so that businesses can continue to get support in this critical time. HUUB has the ability to provide easy access to grant-funded consulting services. I would love to see the city invest in offering thousands of business owners free consultants through HUUB's 24/7 online tool to help us grow our businesses. Thank you for your time & consideration.

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Laura Suarez	I am personally reaching out as a community leader to encourage you to consider renewed funding and support the expansion of the highly successful HUUB/Phx Biz Connect platform in Phoenix. This is a locally grown tool that has now gained national recognition by the SBA and White House for its work in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses. It is a highly effective platform built by local leaders right here in Phoenix. It is so important to keep it!
Michael Zimmerlich	I am personally reaching out to encourage you to consider renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB platform so that businesses can continue to get support in this critical time. As a business owner in Phoenix, this tool has been vital to helping me navigate the pandemic and even grow. I believe this platform should be a standard tool for all cities, but especially Phoenix.
Jenny Poon	Support the renewal and expansion of HUUB/PHX Biz Connect - a resource navigation tool for small business and entrepreneur resources, especially now in the pandemic! With more than 400 businesses on the platform, it's already getting traction so expand to deliver technical assistance through this platform. No new money for programs that can't be measured.
Eric Brickley	<p>No new money to the Phoenix police. We need money for social services, and Housing.</p> <p>Invest in the community and stop ignoring the needs of residents. We want funding in education, housing, and healthcare.</p> <p>Funding the Department of Crisis Response should come from the police budget. It will save the city money in decreased police labor.</p> <p>I want to see every single human living housed in PHX before another cent is given to the unaccountable PHX police.</p> <p>The community is active and engaged.</p>
Jenny Wagoner	No new money for the Police Department, we need to freeze policing hiring and deny raises. No more special protections for police in the MOU. We need to fund alternative responses to mental health calls that police do not need to be involved in. They do not have the training or expertise to handle these situations without incident. We need to reallocate funds from the police to other departments within social services. The Police do not need more money.
Victoria Fitch	No more tax dollars for PHX Police Dept. As a community we need to protect those who are most vulnerable to police violence and systematic injustices: BIPOC & low income neighborhoods. We need to invest in mental health care that is readily available to all; address homelessness and housing insecurities; invest in updating and improving our public transportation which so many rely on. Not another cent should be given to PHX PD.
amanda Morales	No new money for the Phoenix PD. Utilize funds freed up from not hiring new cops to pay for the proposed crisis response program. Fund public transport and improve the quality of service provided. Increase the amount of bus & bike only lanes. Fund accessible mental health resources that reach the most vulnerable. Fund addiction and substance abuse resources, fund resources for youth in Black and Brown neighborhoods. Don't use COVID relief money to cover PhxPD bonuses. Stop over relying on PhxPD.

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MK Zeeb	no new money for police. violence. take it out. invest in the health and safety of people. invest in justice. families, together. communities. thriving.
Katie Hensley	Please do not increase the amount of spending on police. Please especially do not allocate COVID relief money to police bonuses. While the proposed public safety reform expenditures may come from good intentions, please understand that marginalized Phoenicians have been promised reform for years while the officers YOU hired continue to over-police, terrorize and kill people. Perhaps Phoenix PD will not take our demands seriously until they feel the heat of being defunded.
Melissa Huapaya	I support the arts as it inspires, builds and strengthens our community. I would like to thank the City Council for demonstrating continued dedication to arts organizations & artists through relief funding & prioritization in this trial budget. The increased budget will allow for more inclusive programming and critical maintenance required to enhance the health and sustainability of our arts infrastructure. Thank you again for your continued support to the Office of Arts & Culture.
Veronica Baca	I am in support of building the park on 55th ave and Samantha. I have 3 children and need a park we can safely walk to. The nearest park is 3 miles away. This is unacceptable. Please build a park for our children .
Tara Lowman-Rojas	Defund the white supremacist phoenix police department now!
Amy Miao	I am a resident of district 8 in Laveen. Our population in Laveen has exploded but the number of city parks has not kept up with the growth. There are funds set aside to build our neighborhood park at 55th Ave. and Samantha but we need the council to allocate \$156,000 for annual maintenance budget Right Now!! We have been waiting for this park for over 12+ years. The kids need it, the neighbors need it and we all need it!
Kristi Bursaw	I would like to advocate for the budget to include the building and maintenance of the city park for the 55th Ave and Samantha Way. There are 2 large schools, many families, and a rapidly growing community in this area. We do not have any city parks for 3 miles and we cannot safely ride our bikes there without crossing busy intersections with our young families. Since there is a surplus in the budget this is the perfect opportunity to make this long awaited park a reality. Thank you!
charles allen	I fully support the creation of an Office of Heat Response and Mitigation, the food systems program, the addition of funds conduct GHG inventories and provide modeling and analysis regarding air quality to assist with implementing the City's newly created Climate Action Plan, the additional Parks funding to add staff for a citywide tree inventory and database, the Cool Corridors Program, and the creation of the office of equity and inclusion.
Kelley Villa	As a resident of District 4 and food systems advocate, I applaud the inclusion of \$300K in funding to Environmental Programs to fund a Program Manager to oversee food programs and carry out the implementation of the Phoenix Food Action Plan. I and my colleagues support this important investment and hope to see the investment in food systems personnel continue as a permanent and important part of the Environmental Programs operations. Thank you.

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Rebekah Young	If you are looking to improve relationships within our community, then stop ignoring our demands to stop adding funds to the police department. We know giving them more money isn't going to increase accountability or transparency. If you truly want to mend our community, take that \$\$ and put it towards helping our homeless community get the help they deserve. We see you & the street sweeps & we know how much that costs every week. Stop supporting violent practices & then we can talk about trust.
Karen Buchmann	Please fund the Park at Samantha Way and 55th Ave in Laveen so it can be completed. For 14 yrs this designated park has been dirt, weeds and barbed wire fencing. Families with infants and all ages including seniors live here and in nearby neighborhoods. The Bridlewood neighborhood is lacking green space and amenities since the park was supposed to fulfill the city requirements. Please add whatever funding required for construction and maintenance of this park. It is way overdue. Thank you!
Cecilia Nguyen	The community does not want the city budget to go to the pay raises of the corrupt and violent police department that has killed our neighbors and had white supremacists within their ranks exposed. We don't want to pay for cops who are part of the special assignment units, what we want instead is mental health resources, free public transportation, resources for youth in predominantly Black and Brown neighborhoods.
Mitra Khazai	The Phoenix Boys Choir thanks city leaders for your support of our arts and culture sector. As a 73-year-old Phoenix youth development and performing arts organization, our work, along with our fellow arts and culture sector members, supports economic growth, shared cultural experiences and productive community dialogue. As second responders during and after the pandemic, our art serves to bring joy, heal and uplift our community. Thank you for your support of our critical sector.
Mike Abegg	I would like to provide my support for funding new parks in newly developing areas. I believe that the undeveloped park on Samantha would be a benefit to the community and request it be added to the city budget this year.
Corin Puckett	Unacceptable, PHX PD is the most violent and harmful in this country. NO pay raises for phx police! No COVID relief money to pay police bonuses! No bonuses to cops involved in the SAU! No to 75 new civilian positions for Phoenix police! Phoenix police should cut the number of officers employed by the department and reallocate that money to: Mental health resources in Black and Brown neighborhoods Free public transportation, a bus only lane Resources for youth in Black and Brown neighborhoods
Lisa Cooper	My name is Lisa a lifelong property owner bordering Highline canal trail between 6th Ave/Central ave. District 8. I would like to request funding for improvements/maintenance for the bike trail 6th Ave/12th st. The inequity of maintenance along 6th Ave/12th st compared to 12th st/40th st is unfair to citizens. Clear brush, trash,replace asphalt which is cracked rendering it a liability. With new development in the area, this will encourage people to take better care of their properties.Thank you

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Margaret Shalley	This is a balanced approach by allocating funding for critical needs (homeless, mental health, etc.) while still fully funding our PD. We as the fifth-largest city can accomplish both without sacrificing one or the other, and the majority of residents want a fully funded PD. Crime deterrence includes keeping our youth active, which is why the city needs to build out all planned small neighborhood parks, including in underserved Laveen - starting with the vacant lot at 55th Avenue and Samantha.

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Eva Valencia	<p>I don't support the proposed Phx PD's budget--doing so only enables a department that is indifferent to the suffering it continues to cause in our communities. Councilmembers, this budget should not be passed until the process for MOU negotiations becomes fully public.</p> <p>Redirect police funds to support much needed services in our communities: a new crisis support program; housing (low barrier shelter); free transportation; bus-only lanes; rehab facility; and climate change mitigation. Gracias.</p>
Tom Coffeen	<p>I am a Phoenix native in District 4. Respectfully, the police are over-budgeted and under-accountable. Most of their budget should go instead to truly help community health and safety: E.g., Provide \$15 million for the Crisis Response Program; No to \$10 million for a "Crime Suppression Squad"; No to 75 new Phoenix police civilian positions. Fund the community instead! E.g., free transit and bus-only lanes; more rehabilitation services; low barrier-to-entry shelter and housing support. Thank you.</p>
Claire Redfield	<p>Defund the police. We need to be funding COVID relief now not putting more funding into systems that are not serving the people. With the same \$15 million you could use that to pay for a new crisis response program and other initiatives such as:</p> <p>Free transportation and bus only lanes Rehabilitation services and a center in West Phoenix Low barrier shelter/ housing support</p> <p>We need a transparent process that is actually serving all of us. Thank you.</p>
Wil Meister	<p>We don't need more money and 75 new civilian positions to "evaluate policies and practices" for police reform. Previous recommendations have been ignored, and the Office of Accountability and Transparency has been stalled out by city council. Especially now that marijuana is legal, we can repurpose \$10 million from the PHX police crime suppression squad into free public transportation, resources for addiction and substance abuse, and low barrier housing/shelter support.</p>
Corraima Samaniega Ochoa	<p>Defund police and invest in what actually makes us feel safe physically and mentally, invest in mental health resources especially in communities mainly made up of minorities. Help us by fixing the mental health issues that at times even these police you're funding create.</p>
Catherine Heywood	<p>With the legalization of marijuana, arrests by Phoenix police MUST decrease by several thousand arrests per year. This means that they should cut the number of officers employed by the Phoenix PD and reallocate that money to free public transit, bus only lanes, resources for addiction and substance abuse, and low barrier shelter and housing support.</p> <p>Police do not keep us safe. Community resources keep people safe. Reallocate resources where they are genuinely needed and effective.</p>
Pamela Tracy	<p>I am a resident of District 8 in support of the park at 55th Ave and a Samantha Way in Laveen. Please add the construction and maintenance of this park to this year's budget. My family and I have lived facing this empty lot for 14 years. It's time to make this a usable green space for the residents this Community.</p>
Frank Dever	<p>Resident of district 8 asking the council to please include 156,000 in the budget to fund maintenance of a new park at 55th Ave & Samantha</p>
Jeremiah Beltran	<p>Please fund the park at 55th Ave and Samantha Way. With so many families spending quality time with one another outdoor play and community building is certainly a priority right now. Thank you.</p>

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Dusenge Gloria	Community must have a direct say in the \$400 million in covid relief money coming to phx. This money needs to fund the people and resources that have been hit hardest by the pandemic. Using covid funds for police bonuses or to grow the police budget harms our collective recovery by denying resources to those most impacted. This money needs to be used for things like housing assistance, public transportation, healthcare, vaccine distribution, income support, and childcare assistance.
jennifer Hernandez	Phoenix police arrest thousands of people every year for marijuana possession. Now that marijuana is legal, arrests by Phoenix police must decrease by several thousand arrests per year, meaning they should cut the number of officers employed by the department and reallocate that money to: Free public transportation and bus only lanes Resources for addiction and substance use, rehabilitation center Low barrier shelter/ housing support
Patricia Ewanski	I applaud the inclusion of \$2.8M for Climate Change and Heat Readiness initiatives to increase the community's capacity to prepare for and respond to both extreme heat events and the increasing frequency of high temperature days; increase shade canopy and ensure equitable distribution of City services. I support and hope to see the investment in climate, sustainability, environmental and equity leadership and programs continue as a permanent and critical part of the City's operations.
Rebecca Denis	We need funding for resources that will address the root of so many systemic issues. We need free public transportation, a rehabilitation center in West Phoenix, low barrier shelter/ housing support, and a new crisis program. The council should reject this current budget as its completely unbalanced and neglectful. Any raises to the police budget, which is the most well funded department in our city is a slap in the face to the people in our city. Reinvest in the people and DEFUND THE POLICE!
Ainsley Angounou	Neutral Please add the \$156,000 needed to maintain the park at 55th Ave and Samantha to the 2021-22 budget. We need to make outdoor play and community building a priority right now . Thank you .
yuvixa dominguez	no more money to killer cops. more money for the people ! we need better things. public transportation is crucial to needing change. more rehab centers and better homeless facilities for people because mental health is important. better streets also. what are cops gonna do? they're not taking people to work/ school. they're not fixing our streets. no more special protections for police forces. no more secret negotiations with police. be with the people !
Veronica Baca	I am in support of building the park on 55th ave and Samantha. I have 3 children and need a park we can safely walk to. The nearest park is 3 miles away. This is unacceptable. Please build a park for our children .
Linda Abegg	Please add the \$156,000 needed to maintain the park at 55th Ave and Samantha to the 2021-22 budget. This is an area of extreme growth and we need the City of Phoenix to make that growth responsible and sustainable by building needed infrastructure. We have paid into the impact fee fund to construct this park; please support the maintenance.
Emily O'Neil	No new money for the cop force that kills, injures and harms Black, Latino and Indigenous community members. This is a city we want to raise families in without fear of being arrested or shot by police, one that funds mental health resources, provides housing for all, values community spaces and does not bend over backwards to protect a violent department with special protections for cops in MOUs.

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Sarah Ford	Divest from the bloated policing budget to actually fund what our community needs: free transportation, bus-only lanes, rehab services and a rehab center in West Phoenix, low barrier shelter and housing support. Divest from Phoenix PD starting with divesting \$10 million from the violent and unaccountable "crime suppression squad" who kill and harm our community members esp. BIPOC! Divest \$15mil from PhxPD budget to create the vital Crisis Response team with mental health PROFESSIONALS Phx needs
MK Zeeb	no more money for police violence and corruption. shift these resources into real health, real safety, real justice. you know the truth. you know what is the right thing to do. do it, please.
Trey Sequeira	No more money for police! The amount of money cops get compared to other things the city needs like transportation, streets, schools, housing, etc. is far too skewed already. The city needs to put money towards things that regular people actually use like buses and the metro instead of giving police more cash for weapons and sound cannons and vacation days for murderers.
Amy Miao	I am a resident of district 8 in Laveen. Our population in Laveen has exploded but the number of city parks has not kept up with the growth. There are funds set aside to build our neighborhood park at 55th Ave. and Samantha but we need the council to allocate \$156,000 for annual maintenance budget Right Now!! We have been waiting for this park for over 12+ years. The kids need it, the neighbors need it and we all need it!
Kristi Bursaw	I would like to advocate for the budget to include the building and maintenance of the city park for the 55th Ave and Samantha Way. There are 2 large schools, many families, and a rapidly growing community in this area. We do not have any city parks for 3 miles and we cannot safely ride our bikes there without crossing busy intersections with our young families. Since there is a surplus in the budget this is the perfect opportunity to make this long awaited park a reality. Thank you!
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Margaret Shalley	This is a balanced approach by allocating funding for critical needs (homeless, mental health, etc.) while still fully funding our PD. We as the fifth-largest city can accomplish both without sacrificing one or the other, and the majority of residents want a fully funded PD. Crime deterrence includes keeping our youth active, which is why the city needs to build out all planned small neighborhood parks, including in underserved Laveen - starting with the vacant lot at 55th Avenue and Samantha.

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SUMMARY MINUTES
VOICEMAIL, ELECTRONIC, AND WRITTEN BUDGET COMMENTS
RESPONDED TO APRIL 13 - 19, 2021**

Emails

1. Michael Zimmerlich sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
2. Sheila Kloefkorn sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
3. Vic Reid sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
4. Anebi Agbo sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
5. Juan Kingsbury sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
6. Ryan Knoll sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
7. Zack McCarty sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
8. Tiffany Bisconer sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
9. Tanya Moushi sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
10. Jeff Malkoon sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
11. Vincent Orleck sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
12. Robin Reed sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.
13. Marcus Browne sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.

14. Margaret Shalley sent an email to express support for funding a park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen, fully-funding Police with a balanced approach for human services funding (homeless services, mental health, housing, etc.), exploring the unmerging of the Estrella Mountain and Maryvale Police Precincts, and developing a shared substation for Phoenix Police and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office in Laveen.
15. Cyd Manning sent an email to express support for funding a second park in Laveen with plenty of shade and amenities for a variety of community activities.
16. Elena Ortiz sent an email in support of the Cool Corridors program.
17. Emily Drennan sent an email in support for reallocating Police funding to community services, education, and environmental sustainability programs.
18. D & K Diehl sent an email in support of funding additional training for Police and Police funding in general.
19. Ginnie Ann Sumner sent three emails in support of funding the establishment of a new phone line for park users during park operating hours, proposed Police budget increase, and for the City to consider and balance the needs of new and current community facilities, such as parks and libraries, to ensure the City can afford to operate and maintain both new and existing facilities.
20. John Hamby wrote an email to express the Phoenix Community Alliance's support for arts grants, arts engagements, public art maintenance, Planner positions, Adaptive Reuse Program, Historic Preservation grants, Commercial Plan Review positions, Remote Inspections program position, Library's mobile and self-serve computing services, Forestry Crew staff and equipment, Margaret T. Hance Park maintenance staff and equipment, Urban Park Ranger Patrol Program Park position, Roadway Safety Action Plan, Cool Corridors program, Community Advocacy Program (CAP), Housing Phoenix Plan Project Manager position, Rapid Re-housing Workforce Development Specialist position, Homeless Strategies Neighborhood Specialist position, and Human Services Campus Cleanup.
21. Rivko Knox sent two emails to express support for the Office of Heat Response and Mitigation, Tree and Shade Master Plan position, greenhouse gas emissions inventory and climate action planning, Forestry Crew positions, tree inventory update, Cool Corridors Program, funding to continue the Emergency Food Assistance Program and 2025 Phoenix Food Action Plan, and reallocating Police funding to funding for more recreational activities, community gardens and clean-ups, accessible mental health and addiction programs, formerly incarcerated programs, more social services training and compensation, and online citations and other non-Police alternatives.

22. Linda Abegg sent an email to express support for funding to develop and maintain a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen because she believes the park is part of the zoning requirements and General Plan for the area and would fit with the community services and growth and heat mitigation area goals of the Trial Budget.
23. Asher Abegg sent an email to express support for funding to develop and maintain a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
24. Ally Avey emailed to express support for the Tree and Shade Master Plan, Cool Corridors Program, permanent funding to maintain new trees, non-approval of the Office of Environmental Programs' Food Program position to continue the COVID-19 emergency food assistance program and the 2025 Phoenix Food Action Plan, and maintenance of planted common areas at various intersections and areas.
25. Ricardo Lugo wrote to express support for funding a new City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
26. Jewell Hawthorne emailed to express support for funding climate change and heat readiness initiatives with specific recommendations: Office of Heat Response and Mitigation with appropriate treatment of trees, greenhouse gas emissions inventory and climate action planning that involve the community, and Forestry Crew and Cool Corridors program that use native trees and plants.
27. Jo Kontzer sent an email in support of funding the new Office of Heat Response and Mitigation position, Tree and Shade Master Plan, Forestry Crew, tree inventory update, and Cool Corridors Program.
28. Sharla Strong sent an email to express support for reallocating the proposed budget increase for Police to funding long-term affordable housing, helping individuals who are unhoused, education, arts, public transportation, parks, and heat-reducing projects.
29. Ryan Senters sent an email to express support for a City park at 55th Avenue and Samantha Way in Laveen.
30. Rivko Knox sent an email to express support for reallocating funding for Police to funding for more recreational activities, community gardens, community clean-ups, more accessible mental health and addiction assistance programs, programs for formerly incarcerated people, more training and compensation for social services employees, and more online citation programs and non-Police alternatives in lieu of Police arrests.

31. DD Kullman sent an email to support the renewal and expansion of the PHXbizConnect HUUB contracted business resource.

Voicemails

There have been no new voicemails since April 13, 2021.

Social media statistics from April 13-19 ,2021 are as follows:

33 City of Phoenix Tweets (across three City accounts, including the City's bilingual account)

-65 "Likes"

-18 Retweets

-32 Replies

12 YouTube Videos (so far)

-Total views: 1,845 Views, 650 more than last week

Respectfully Submitted,

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