

Budget Work Session #5

Budget & Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee
Employee Compensation
Public Safety

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Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (BFAAC)
 Report on the City Manager's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024



Employee Compensation

• FY 2023

- Step increases +2.3% to +5.0%
- 3 steps added to general employee pay scale
- Market rate adjustments
 - Sworn Fire, Medics, and Fire Marshals +7.0%
 - Sworn Police and Sheriff's Deputies +6.0%
 - General employees +4.5%
- Fire ALS incentive pay
- Language stipend



Employee Compensation (continued)

- FY 2024 (p. 10.1)
 - Step increases (2.3% to 5.0%) (p. 10.1)
 - Fire and Police collective bargaining agreements (also p. 14.38 and 14.65)
 - 2.0% pay scale adjustment for general employees, Sheriff's deputies, and non-collectively bargained Fire and Police (p. 10.1)
 - Targeted staffing studies (p. 11.92)
 - Health insurance budgeted increase of 9% (p. 10.5)



Employee Compensation (continued)

- FY 2024 (p. 11.53)
 - Employee benefits broker of record \$190,000
 - Targeted outreach for talent acquisition \$50,000
 - Leave of absence outsourcing \$100,000



Public Safety

• FY 2023

- ACORP
 - 1 team approved in FY 2022
 - 2 teams added in FY 2023
 - 1 DCHS Senior Therapist and 1 Police Officer per team
- Body Worn Cameras: \$2.2 M for implementation in FY 2023
- Volunteer Alexandria CERT training
- School crossing zone monitoring
- Vision Zero staffing



Public Safety (continued)

- FY 2024
 - Body Worn Cameras
 - Commonwealth's Attorney staffing (p. 14.15)
 - 5 positions added in FY 2023
 - 3 included in the FY 2024 proposed budget \$257,982
 - 3 in contingency pending workload analysis \$287,982
 - Circuit Court IT services \$97,290 one-time (p. 14.4)
 - Circuit Court Clerk: 2 temporary Record Clerks \$127,336 (p. 14.11)
 - Fire Department (p. 14.38-39)
 - 25 additional firefighters \$2.3 M grant funded
 - Annual medical physicals \$228,000
 - Continued funding for Volunteer Alexandria CERT Training (\$106,729 one-time)
 - Administrative support position \$94,538



Public Safety (continued)

• FY 2024

- Alexandria Criminal Justice Services (ACJS) Deputy Director \$185,967 (p. 14.56)
- Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Center (NVJDC) cost increase due to utilization rates, increased operating costs, and reduced state funding \$657,629 (p. 14.56)
- Assistant Police Chief \$241,970 (p. 14.65)
- Independent Community Police Auditor \$100,000 (p. 11.61)
- Sheriff ADA/PREA manager \$123,164 (p. 14.80)
- Public safety mental health clinician contingency \$100,000 (p. 11.92)



Public Safety (Continued)

- Alternative Budget Options (Additional 1 Cent)
 - Emergency services bed finder \$79,225 (p. 2.5)

