

2026 Budget Process

Council Priorities Report Back

Affirmations:

Council Concepts that we were already incorporating into our 2026 budget, or had previously been budgeted:

- Water filling station expansion
- Code enforcement - additional resources
- BPD resources for school safety and student education
- Slow Down Bexley funding
- Batting cage
- Jeffrey Mansion roof repairs
- Pool parking lot redo
- Senior center investment
- Technology expenditure breakout
- Mental health resources
- Covered bus stop expansion
- Expanded ARB inspection process
- Delmar/Cassady gateway wall rebuild
- Calm Corridors development
- Sensory bags for community events and programming
- E-Bike/Scooter training and education

Pushing the Envelope:

Council Concepts that pushed us further:

- “Pedal to the metal” on Ferndale/Mayfield

New Concepts:

Council concepts that we have added to the budget following our one-on-ones:

- Landlord incentives for “top development priority” projects
 - Will require a companion ordinance
- Increase to City Council operating expense budget

In Development:

Concepts that require more development or exploration:

- City event signage - similar to Gahanna - long goal but haven’t found right solution (actually mentioned in 2011 Land Use Strategy)
- Sewer system - updated study - in development
- Property manager for aging in place property owners, to help them manage contractors, maintenance, etc.
- Contracted leaf support
- Ceiling fans at picnic shelters
- Support for schools Cassady Ave. athletic fields development as project moves forward