helping launch that because you started the City off as being the trendsetter. Now I see everybody walking around with Palm Beach County COVID 19 masks, so I give you (indiscernible) for that initiative.

And thank you for all that you've done relative to, you know, the -- what we've had to encounter during the pandemic.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Thank you, Councilman. I appreciate that.

So as we moved into the strategic focus areas -- and this was the direction that the City Council wanted to make sure that was the foundation for the budget and the budget priorities. So as we look to build out budget priorities and initiatives moving forward, all these elements are key into the decision making process of staff and items that we look to bring forward to you all.

And from the staff's standpoint, if what we're trying to accomplish does not fit into the strategic areas, we then ask ourselves should we be in the business of doing it.

So achieving a sustainable economy, we've talked about the importance of economic development, redevelopment, how do we look to

leverage our assets in our community for the purposes of achieving a sustainable economy but also raising the needle in the expectations that we have.

Building great neighborhoods. One of the things that you will see is that we will be bringing forward some ideas and some concepts and having discussions as to how do we go to owner-occupied dwellings; and then how do we try to address the nuisance that we have in our community and taking more aggressive steps to address those nuisance properties that we have in our community; and holding our landlords, our absentee landlords, accountable.

Accelerate operational excellence. We are moving a lot of departments into the queue for the purposes of being prepared to go through the accreditation process to bring our operations up to par with the industry's best.

Enhanced government stewardship. We are looking to incorporate transparency portals. The City's new website should be up and operational in about the next month. The website right now is down, and we apologize for that. IT is working feverishly with our -- one of our providers.

There's no security breach or anything like that, it's just the website is down. And we are very proud on what the mock of the new website looks, and it really brings us into the 21st century, and the community is going to be really excited about that.

Our strengthening community engagement.

We've got a lot of community engagement that's on the horizon. A community value survey, Ms. Noel will be doing a presentation sharing the community value survey that we will provide to the community. We also have a couple of community meetings that we will be facilitating.

When it comes to the sanitation services contract, that will look to be going out in the next year.

Street projects, that we are going to be looking at doing digital engagement.

The virtual Citizens Leadership Academy. All those programs are going to move to a virtual platform so we can reconnect with our community.

We will get back into doing coffee with the manager in a digital format.

So we're looking at ways over the next couple of months to really reengage our community and get

them involved in what's going on in the City of Riviera Beach.

And thank you for the Board for allowing us to hire a dynamic individual to compliment

Mr. Stevens' team. And I don't know if you all have known, since Mr. Stevens has been -- as I digress for a moment -- with the City, he has never taken one week off. So he is going to have the depth and the ability to take one week off. But that's if he requests it, and I have to approve it, so that still may -- we may keep that streak alive.

But, nonetheless, we're excited about the new additions to the team.

So, you know, the backdrop is Riviera Beach 2030, to let the community know that this elected body is not looking at 2021 but is looking at 2021, 2022, 2023, all the way to 2030, because we are definitely going to move the needle and address some of the challenges that should have been addressed a long time ago.

So as we get into --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair. I just wanted to ask, what about the, you know, about all of our stuff with the new facilities and everything?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: That is -- we are going to be surprising the community with that. And I will take a brief time -- what we're doing is, staff is securing the services of an architect. The architect will be meeting with each of you, and you will be having that discussion with them and then coming up with your bubble diagram and your presentation.

Once that happens, we'll bring you all back together; and then we'll have you all talk about which parts do you like, don't like, of each others; and then being able to come up with three concepts that we can share to the community. So that's already in the process. And so that's going to be an exciting time for us to move that forward.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Oh. Good. Good.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: So some of the major initiatives that we look into fiscal year 2021 is a fire assessment. And we've had the conversation with the Board at the last budget sessions that we had last year, about what needs to occur in order for us to move forward with a fire assessment.

I have been in an agency, and probably one of the first agencies, to move forward with a fire

assessment. And the fire assessment really is a tax equity tool. You have a situation where in a lot of municipalities the fire assessment is utilized to bring more payers to the table.

So in our community we have three percent of the properties that don't pay anything for any municipal services. Well, if you did levy an assessment on those properties of a hundred dollars, just to say, you would generate \$20,000 annually. But you can look at taking that \$20,000 and you can pledge that for capital infrastructure associated with the provision of fire service, or to effectively look to buy apparatus and the like.

One of the things that the fire assessment, and the statute says that it has to be fair in apportionment and it has to -- the property owner has to derive a benefit from the assessment.

When doing an assessment, and when we did the assessment when I was the manager in Haines City, the intent behind that was that a large portion of our properties did not pay property taxes. And we knew we needed to address some of the failing infrastructure as it relates to municipal facilities. And so we went through a fire assessment process and was able to generate

approximately three million dollars. And that was able to take the burden off of the general fund. That money can only be utilized for the provision of fire service.

And then we went through a bond validation hearing, where the courts actually -- we filed a lawsuit against ourselves so in the event that it was ever challenged, we had a judgment that said that the City did move in the appropriate action, fulfill the appropriate notice.

In the event that -- one of the things we did, as well, is we exempted religious institutions and we created hardship provisions. If individuals do have a hardship, what would happen is the assessment would have to be paid for by the general fund because the, the way the assessment was established.

We believe that if we're able to generate 2.5 million dollars, we can address some of the personnel requests that have been asked by the fire department; but also it will generate enough revenue that the City of Riviera Beach can go out to the bond market and we can construct all four municipal fire stations today. And that is something that we certainly want to do and move

forward with addressing our public safety assets; as well as, that provides additional relief to the general fund.

And so when you look at -- and when I was in Haines City, I was able to reduce the millage rate by a quarter mill because of instituting the fire assessment, because it brought more folks into paying for the collective service.

And so Mr. Sherman will get into the specificities as to what happened in 2012, the methodology, and then kind of go into what the formulas would look like.

And this is something we've already got an RFP out on the streets for a consultant to assist us in the process in the event that this is a direction that the Board would like to go in.

And realize that, again, it can only be utilized for fire service.

An economist actually looks at your municipal budget, and specifically your fire budget, and they extract what is specific for fire service. And that's your availability fee.

They do not levy an assessment for EMS, because not everybody ends up for EMS.

We have hard costs that are associated with

the provision of fire service that the availability says when somebody picks up the phone and dials 911, the fire crews can roll out and they take the wet stuff and put it on the red stuff.

And so that is the same thing similar to that of your United States military, there's a hard cost for carrying those assets.

And so we have to be prepared to respond, and so that is the availability fee for the service.

And that's how most entities do it, you have a flat rate that everyone pays, and then it's based either on square footage or relative improvement value, et cetera.

So I'm going to turn this part over to Mr. Sherman to provide a little bit more information and some context.

MR. SHERMAN: You're also going to change the slide, right?

Thank you.

What seems like a life time ago, back in December we were at the community center on Singer Island and we made a full presentation of the fire assessment fee.

Back in 2011, 2012 is when the report actually came out. City of Riviera Beach actually

hired a consultant and went through the process of apportioning out the fire costs. And that was the presentation that in essence I just repeated back in December.

Tonight I just want to kind of refresh some of the options that were laid out in that fire assessment fee. And as the manager said, this would absolutely have to be refreshed; these numbers are very stale at this point; and we're required by statute to do that anyway.

I believe that back in 2011, if you look at option one -- and we'll just really focus on the residential rate, because everything else kind of feeds off of where you set your residential rate. They determined back then that \$365 would pay for a hundred percent of the fees, or of the costs related to the fire service. So that's why that 365 dollar number is on the sheet; that was all in. The number today is obviously higher than that. But we wanted to use the three sixty-five that they presented back in 2011.

If you go down that column, as the manager said, you apportion out -- there's various methodologies to do the apportionment, but they did it on a square footage basis. And the \$365 would

have raised seven and a half million dollars of revenue.

As the manager said, there are properties that end up being exempt. Typically it's the religious organizations. Government is typically exempt. And when they did the analysis back then, they took out \$800,000 worth of a fire fee, leaving them with 6.7 million dollars.

So what could the City do with 6.7 million dollars, if we chose to go down option number one? We would put \$750,000 into the operating budget. And what that in essence does is it pays for three fire fighters and two EMS captains. We would still be able to put 3.2 million dollars into fire capital. So that would not only be for fire stations but also rolling stock. And we would be able to reduce the millage rate down to 8.1 mills, giving property tax relief of 2.7 million dollars.

Option two, which is where most people are today. In the next slide I'll show you where some of the other communities are. This is kind of a low end at a hundred dollars. That generates two and a half million dollars of net. And again, we have that two and a half million dollars, we would pay for the three fire fighters, the two EMS

captains, and leaving us with 1.7 million dollars for fire capital.

What we've done for the four fire stations is we figure that we need about 13 million dollars to be able to -- that would come from that fund. And that's debt service of around a million dollars. So the million seven would not only be able to cover the debt service, it would also still be able to provide some dollars to rolling stock. But you would actually have to go out and borrow those funds secured by these revenues.

We also then have option three, which is at \$25 a unit; and option four, which would just be \$10 per residential unit. As you can see, that generates \$627,000 and \$216,000. And then from that we would use that all in operations to either fund two fire fighters and the two EMS captains or just two fire fighters. And no capital under options three and four, there would be no dollars for capital.

Now going to the next slide, what we did is we actually pulled some comparative fire assessment fees. Actually, Boca Raton actually publishes their preliminary budget, and they had the comparatives within their budget, so I pulled it

out of their presentation.

And as you can see, West Palm Beach is at a hundred dollars. Boca Raton is at one forty-five.

And going all the way up to \$313 in Hollywood. And there's various numbers in and out of there.

What's interesting is, I was able to go back and find the amount of revenue that Boca Raton actually generates from their fire fee. And as the manager mentioned early on, part of the issue when we're talking about our millage rate is because we really don't have a very diversified source -- revenue source streams coming in.

If Boca Raton was to take that 145 dollar fire fee and eliminate it, that's 12.6 million dollar hit to their budget, which is about 15 percent of their property taxes. So they would actually have to add that \$12.6 million dollars to their property tax rate and they would be looking at a millage rate going up 15 percent. So it's interesting when you go back and you look at Boca Raton, where the city has maintained the same millage rate since 2015, Boca Raton has actually had their millage rate increase every year over the last five years. Along with this fire fee, they're -- you know, it allows them to keep their

millage rate down, but they're still seeing increases in that millage rate.

And it puts the City -- again, if we're talking about the hundred dollars, which would allow us to fund the positions that the chief has requested, and fund the replacement of the four fire stations, at the low end of this scale, right where West Palm Beach is, at the hundred dollars.

My understanding is, from Mr. Little today, is that today was the due date for the proposals. I do not know how many proposals we actually received today. I haven't seen them yet. But we certainly will come back and inform you what we find in those proposals.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

So if we can go back, Mr. Evans,

(indiscernible) these figures. And, you know,

right there. So it appears that if you're looking

at option one and option two, and we're talking

about none ad valorem, we have, I believe I seen

276 properties that would not be paying this.

Correct? I seen that maybe somewhere.

MR. SHERMAN: That's correct based on the

2011. Again, we would have to get those numbers refreshed.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: So here's -- well, I think this is a good idea, because if you're looking at option two, you know, for that matter, of -- and these are just based on the 2012 numbers. If I'm understanding you correctly, the RFP that we have out would lead someone else to come up with, I guess, a new pro forma, if you will, regarding these -- regarding, you know, I guess our various options. Is that correct?

MR. SHERMAN: Correct.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Well, if we just take these numbers for example. And, you know, I'm not sold on us particularly increasing taxes but, you know, if you take a residential property and you say -- and I don't know exactly what defines residential. Is that inclusive of condominiums, or is that considered commercial, or what. But we're talking about the west end, anywhere around ten, maybe a little more, eleven bucks per month, at that hundred dollar a unit rate. And, obviously, \$30 a month. Which would be essentially added on to the tax bill. So, you know, I'm very much open for that.

But wouldn't it be, I guess, a better -- and I'm probably not going to say this correctly, but shouldn't we be working backward? Shouldn't we identify where we want to be, as far as how much we should be contributing to, you know, the capital investment fund? And also, if at all possible, if we wanted to take an approach of saying we're going to lower the millage rate, should we -- I guess, is that going to be a part of the pro forma? Is that a way that we can work backwards?

MR. SHERMAN: Yeah, if we -- I mean, again, it's -- I hate to put it this way, but it's math at the end of the day. And you're right, we can just decide whether we have sufficient dollars, what we want that millage rate to be. And you're right, it's formula math, you know, we would just deal with the formulas and come up with the amount of dollars that you want for capital, you want to put in operating, and you want to hit the millage rate.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. And, obviously, this would be something for, I believe, 20 -- that would go in effect in 2022, correct, if this is adopted in '21?

MR. SHERMAN: It could go in in 2021. We would have to do a direct mailing of the invoices.

Because we, obviously, would have missed the, you know, putting it on the tax bills for the first year. But it would all depend on how quickly, you know, we could get the study done and adopted.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: And to that point, we did the direct billing; and when the consultant shared with me that 85 percent of the individuals that received the bill from the City will pay the bill, I wasn't too sure about that. But sure enough, actually 85 and 90 percent of individuals, when we did do the direct billing, paid the assessment; and then we then added it on to the tax rolls.

So it would be something that we could roll out in 2021. Plus, we would build a module on the website that Jonathan can go in, type in his address, you can see exactly the assessment; the residents get to see all their assessments if they put in the address and all that. So it's a very transparent portal, so you can see the calculation, what the bill is, those types of things.

And that was something that the residents appreciated, because as we know the most inequitable system is the property tax system that we have. You have two residential properties, one

that benefitted from Save Our Home since its inception; and somebody that bought their property yesterday, they're paying 1500 dollar difference and they're getting the same police officer, same trash truck, and all that. Where this particular item says everybody pays a flat rate and then you pay based on a sliding scale.

So, you know, I know people don't like to hear that the fairest tax is really an income tax. But, you know, the fire assessment works similar to that.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: What's the sliding scale in this, in this scenario? I don't understand that.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: So you would have a situation for instance in the formula here, let's go option two, everyone will have a base rate of a hundred dollars. Now the Board can say that the base rate is a hundred dollars and you did not want to charge, you know, residentials -- because we charged a hundred dollars, and then we did eighty-five cents per thousand dollars of relative improvement value; and then you had situations where you had commercial facilities, like here it's eighteen cents per square foot, but then you can

set a cap. So realistically it's like putting a spigot in the wall and then you as the Board annually determine how much you want to generate as it relates to the fire assessment, and what are the ways in which you choose to use it.

So if you say that it's a flat rate and no relative improvement values, and commercials are to be handled like this, the economists will build out the system how the Board wishes to have it implemented.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay.

CHAIR BOTEL: Anything else?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: So we'll go into the fiscal year 2020 assumptions. We were successful in negotiating the PBA contract. And we have began the discussions at it relates to IAFF, which is our fire union. We anticipate being able to wrap this contract up pretty quickly. We're not too far apart. So we can anticipate bringing this to a resolution.

We're also recommending in this particular budget all employees receive a three percent increase.

The health and dental insurance. I did provide the Board with a memorandum that the claims

to premium ratio for the City of Riviera Beach is quite high. And our plan is running about 31 percent over what it should be running to run flat. So basically for every dollar that we send to Aetna, it costs them a dollar thirty-one to handle our book of business.

The renewal rate that they proffered to the City of Riviera Beach was a 31 percent increase. And so we did go back and tell them that that was a nonstarter. We have worked with them and done some plan changes and modifications, and are going to be sharing with you-all tomorrow what the plan modifications are, where we got the actual health and dental insurance renewals to an 8.9 percent increase. Which is a significant savings to the City. With no modifications as it relates to physicians or the network.

We are looking to transition wholistically to a high deductible health plan. And we did notice that. And it's an in-network plan. And 97 percent of our employees utilize in-network services.

So the broker is slated to make a presentation to you all tomorrow to share the elements contained in the health and dental insurance renewals.

And we believe that the plan will function similar to the existing plan, insert additional consumerism and keep the costs for the City lower. Because if we did have that 20 or 25 percent increase, it would certainly impact our ability to continue to operate without making some additional revenue enhancements or reductions.

The general liability insurance. We've got a 20 percent increase. Staff is working on making some modifications to that number and seeing if we can get that number below that as much as we possibly can.

And operational increases of two percent.

Revenue increases of about four percent.

And then the Utility District will be prepared to provide some information to the Board to move forward with a six percent rate increase as recommended by the rate consultant. And this is basically one of the first steps as we look to address the water quality in our community and move towards a long-term solution for our water treatment facility.

The next one here is just looking at the health insurance, which is one of the largest line items in the budget. As you can see, over the

years the insurance has increased. There has been fluctuations. You'll see in 2020 we did have that decrease because we made the move to a high deductible health plan. But right now our agency is split, some are on the high deductible health plan and some are on the buy up plan. And so by making the switch to the high deductible health plan, that's where we see the nine percent increase. And we believe with some of the changes that are being proffered, that we can conceivably get to a situation where the increases are modest, and not seeing the 20 or 30 percent increases in subsequent budget cycles. Because we really want to get our handle on this.

And I know that one of the things that we did propose, when we were looking at going to that 8.2000 mills, was a situation whereby we would ask the employees to contribute for the provisions of health insurance, which is not uncommon with other employers. Because I think there is some contractual language that allows for us, if we get over a certain threshold, you can pass the additional cost for health insurance on to the employee. So as it stands right now that's not what we're recommending, but we have to take some

swift and decisive actions here.

Traditionally, we've had four catastrophic claims. This year we have 13. We have a situation where one particular individual in the organization has utilized \$500,000 worth of benefits. And out of the 13 individuals that are on that list, they -- there's an anticipation that the costs for medical care will continue to go up, as well as the impacts associated with COVID.

So we're trying to do what we can to still offer a good product, but a product that's affordable to the City of Riviera Beach; and one that addresses the needs of the employees. But the group will be presenting tomorrow.

Councilman McCoy, I think you had a question.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Yes. So I -- I think it's just about their presentation tomorrow. So I'm really interested to see what those numbers are as far as the claim numbers.

And what period are we talking about?

Because it seems like this can't be -- first of all, this can't coincide with our fiscal year, that's obvious, because it seems like we had this conversation right around, just before the fiscal year ended in 2019. I'm sorry. Before the last

fiscal year, for the 1920 year. I'm sorry. Not fiscal year. What period is (audio interference) when they do the claim (audio inteference).

CITY MANAGER EVANS: The calendar year.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. And I think I heard you say we want to look to go to a high deductible, I think you said comprehensively or wholistically?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: High deductible health plan would be the plan that we offer. And then there will be a buy up option, but that would be something that the cost would be borne by the employees, the increased cost. So that the base plan that the City would offer is the high deductible health plan. Which is the same plan that we offer this year. But I think our numbers are split right down the middle, half the employees took the high deductible, half of them took the buy up option.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: And that was my next question, what's the percentage of who opted in. So it's about 50 percent?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Yeah, it's pretty much right down the middle.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Well, Mr. Evans,

I certainly am open and I'm looking forward to their presentation.

Has staff explored the idea of going back out to, I guess to put this back out to the different carriers, to see if they can come in at a better rate because...

CITY MANAGER EVANS: We did. And we pushed back on Aetna very hard. And the reason that we did not recommend going out to the market is because of the -- of COVID and the concern that we had with regards to if we went to United and physicians changing and all that.

So we thought in the abundance of caution, in light of this, let's see what we can work out with Aetna.

The broker also thinks that based on our really bad numbers, that we're not going to be the sweethearts in the market, because we have a really bad claims to premium ratio and we do have those 13 high dollar claims. So it would not have rendered any positive number, and we would have probably found ourselves back in the same situation. And we were very conscientious about service disruption for the employees.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Thank you. And I

appreciate that.

Now, that kind of sparked my interest when you started speaking about health insurance. And I don't know if I missed what necessitated I believe the 20 percent increase in liability insurance. Do you have anything to add on that?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Mr. Sherman, do you have any remarks or comments with regards to liability, because I was looped in towards the end of those conversations?

MR. SHERMAN: Yeah, there were a couple impacts causing the liability to go up; primarily the active hurricane season. I think after last year with the Dorian scare, I think people are revisiting that.

The other impact is our worker's comp claims have increased significantly, which is driving those numbers as well. So, again, with increased salaries and increased claims, you know, we're seeing some higher numbers both on the worker's comp and the general liability side.

And then part of what our rate is is our reserves, and funding our reserves. We've been funding our reserves -- so we pay our premiums and then we add about a million six. Next year they

want close to two million dollars based on the activity that (audio interference).

CITY MANAGER EVANS: In addition to, I believe, our cyber security did go up as well.

MR. SHERMAN: It did.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. So I think there was a conversation that at least touched on -- I think Mr. Evans mentioned if -- speaking to our insurance carrier, how much of the loss that we can absorb through our disaster fund. As a matter of fact, I'll just ask that question. I think I don't want to ask that question publicly, because I don't want to get to talking about exposure and that sort of thing. So that's all I have regarding that. Thank you.

CHAIR BOTEL: Thank you, Mr. Evans.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: All right. We'll move to the next two slides. And Mr. Sherman will present, because there are some challenging colors in these wheels.

MR. SHERMAN: All right. We'll work on that.

So this is the 2021 general fund projected revenues. The budget that has been submitted by the city manager is \$81,388,698.

As you see from the revenue slide, 60 percent

of the revenues are still coming from the property tax. And as we've talked about in the past, there's very little diversity on the other side of the ledger there.

Again, our state revenues are down. Our charges for services are down. A lot of that comes from programs such as Parks and Rec.

But for the most part, you know, licenses tended to hold; permits tending to hold. It is that other tax number that, in intergovernmental that actually took a small hit.

And then on the expense side, again, we've broken these down primarily by department. We do have other slides as we progress through the other budget meetings that we will break it down more so by expense types, such as payroll and operating and debt service and the like.

But this is the operational breakdown. As you can see, primarily the police department gets 27.86 percent of the budget and the fire department gets 19.01 percent of the budget. So combined, you know, 46 percent of the budget goes to the public safety departments.

Now, when you compare what police and fire get, that alone eats up 79 percent of your property

taxes. And then the balance of the departments, as you see, have been laid out on this budget.

I would point out, too, that two items -- the CRA TIF in the upper right-hand side is at 7.29 percent. So in our property taxes we bring in the TIF revenues and then we distribute that to the CRA.

And then the other number at the top is the transfer to the debt service. So that, again, is 8.55 percent, a significant part of the budget.

And that, again, does pay for the pension obligation bonds, but it also pays for the 20 million dollars that was used for the street projects; and it pays for what we have been borrowing through capital leases for our public safety fleet, trying to bring that back up to current status.

We are transferring four million dollars over to the capital projects fund. That is the money that we have been receiving from FPL since 2015, that we've been putting into our pay as you go capital.

And again, as we go through each successive budget meeting, each department will present to the council the detail of their individual budgets.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Question. I'm sorry.

What's the difference between general

administration and city administration? Is there a

difference there? What's that about?

MR. SHERMAN: Yeah, the city administration is actually the, the staff. That's the operational stuff for the staff. What we put under the general is sort of those things that are citywide; so that would include things like transfers to the other funds, unemployment; all those things that really don't belong to a particular department, you know, so we put them all in that one budget.

And again, we can break that down as we move through the budget. It is broken down line item in the documents that you were provided.

CHAIR BOTEL: Anything else? Okay.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: All right. So this is the budget calendar that we implemented on the onset of the budget process. We see that we have a budget workshop of -- for tomorrow, with the city council --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm sorry, Mr. Evans.

Madam Chair, I -- I'm sorry, I didn't mean to cut

you off. I wanted to ask a question before we get

into the calendar.

What is (audio interference) in terms of the money that the CRA owes the city?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: The -- for the Ocean Walk, we'll bring that part of -- that will be part of your subsequent budget discussions. Staff is doing a little bit more research and wants to have all the details to be able to share that with you.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah, because that could make up a lot of the deficit that the budget has in terms of what is owed to us. Okay.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Yes.

Madam Chair and Members of the Board, I know that we have a meeting scheduled for tomorrow, but one of your colleagues has expressed some concerns with the 17th and 18th, and I wanted to see if the Board would indulge staff to send out a Doodle calendar poll to see if you're amenable to moving those particular dates, because we really do want to have the balance of the council present for the budget conversations.

CHAIR BOTEL: When potentially would we be moving them to?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: The dates that I believe we looked at -- and Ms. Noel, are you on the line?

MS. NOEL: Yes, I'm here.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay. What are the dates that we were looking at from staff's standpoint?

MS. NOEL: All right. I'm pulling it up right now. Just one second. But it would -- it would certainly be before September. So we're looking at dates for this month, the remainder of the month. I'm sorry, just one second as I'm going through.

CHAIR BOTEL: Are you looking at the 24th and the -- well, we can't do it on the 25th because we have a CRA budget workshop.

MS. NOEL: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Didn't we -- Madam -- didn't we have an e-mail about the virtual ethics, trying to reschedule that?

There's a bunch of dates being thrown out here and it's becoming a very complicated mess trying to, you know, put all this in here.

I mean, I thought we had kind of agreed on the 17th and 18th. Is it just one or two people missing or -- I mean, is it the majority of the people can't come?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: No, it's just one missing. But I don't know if we can look at the

20th and 21st, or the --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah, but I've already set these dates that I have. I mean, we working people already got our dates set, so it's real hard now to try and change this midstream.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It's not even a working situation for me. It's just that you're running out of days here, trying to switch up, when we already kind of committed, and then CRA and then -- it's just a lot of people asking for days, and we don't have that many more days left before September.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay.

CHAIR BOTEL: And the 21st is scheduled for that hearing on the second reading of the ordinance.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I don't have that on my calendar.

CHAIR BOTEL: That hasn't gone out yet, but that's the only -- I'm just cautioning us not to put anything else on there.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I just think -- for my say-so, I'm telling you now, I've got these dates set. It took a lot for me to be able to set these dates and to be able to make sure I don't have

anything to conflict with it. And I understand if a member can't do (audio interference). I had to rearrange a whole lot to get these dates in, to put in the CRA dates. I have, you know, some evenings I have other issues going on.

So, you know, I appreciate the City making sure that we have these dates well in advance. So it's really hard at this point to be able to go back and rearrange these dates, the CRA dates, the workshop dates. You know, we're talking about looking -- we got city council meetings, we got CRA meetings. That's a lot.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. Lawson.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: Thank you. Well, I do have a question. When were these dates actually issued? And did we agree as a council on these dates? Or were these just the dates that were just given to us?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No, they sent us e-mails and asked us about these dates.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: Okay. So these were the dates that we selected?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: Because I don't -- I guess I must have missed that e-mail because I

didn't --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: They weren't selected by us.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: I don't think that I selected any of these dates, Ms. Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Well, they sent out the dates and said are you okay with these dates; and nobody said no, so that's what the dates that they gave to us. And then too --

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: I just think that -sorry, Councilwoman Lanier, I think they just sent
the dates out saying that these were going to be
the dates we were having the budget. So that's
why, once I saw the e-mail arising a discrepancy
with those two dates, as Mr. Evans stated, being
that I'm not available, and I would love to be a
part of the budget discussions -- so those two
dates I'm not actually available, the 17th and the
18th, and since we're talking about the council
workshop budget meetings.

So if we can find a date that can accommodate, that would be good. But if not, then I would love for my colleagues to go on forward with it. But I would like to be there as well for

the budget discussion.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Thank you.

And then too, also, Councilman Lawson, I understand, I perfectly understand, but, you know, we also have to make sure that the public is noticed of these dates as well. So I sympathize, I certainly do. But I've got these dates set.

MS. NOEL: This is Marsha. I found the dates that I was (audio interference). I did consider perhaps the ethics training was trying to be scheduled -- and Ms. Anthony feel free to, you know, chime in if anything conflicts -- but the dates I have to reschedule, the 17th and 18th, two is going to be Thursday, August 20th; Friday, August 28; and/or Monday, August 31st.

CHAIR BOTEL: The 20th doesn't work for me because we have the Palm Beach State College ceremony for the graduates of our (audio interference) program.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: And the 21st doesn't work for me because I'll be -- I won't be available.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Well, here's what I'll tell you. This is our obligation, so I'm going to make it happen. In fact, I see two of these dates

that I won't even be in the state but I'm going to make sure I can log on to participate.

But I'm lost, because I was looking back at my e-mail and I don't even know if I remember even getting any of these dates so...

I don't even see it. I was looking back, and I don't know who they would have come from; but I only found out about today's meeting when we had our meeting last --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I think they came from Noel. I think they came from Noel, if I'm not mistaken.

CHAIR BOTEL: I think so too.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Well, I'm going to be there. I'll be there.

CHAIR BOTEL: You said the 28th? The 28th looks okay for me. How about everybody else?

Maybe we could move at least one of these dates, the 17th and 18th, push this back. On one of the dates, to the 28th. Does that look good for everybody?

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: But here's the bigger issue. So if you want to consider the 28th, and that's for the virtual training, for the ethics training?

CHAIR BOTEL: No, no. In order to accommodate Mr. Lawson, take one of the dates, the 17th or 18th and eliminate it, and create a meeting for the budget on the 28th instead.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Madam Chair, if I may.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: (Audio
interference) five meetings that week. So we have
a meeting Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

All that week? Because --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I can't do Fridays.

(Audio interference) all this month. I knew that

August is (audio interference) and so when I got

those dates, I set those dates and -- so I have

other obligations on those other days. And I was

waiting for these dates so that I could make sure I

could schedule around these dates.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Madam Chair, if I may.

We can look at, you know, maybe sending out just a

Doodle poll. If it works, then it works. If it

doesn't -- we'll look at, though, the clerk's

schedule, we'll look at the council's schedule, and

then we can bring it up as part of our discussion

tomorrow and see if there was, you know, any way to

conceivably address that. If not, and it's the

board's pleasure to move on, you know, that's

something that staff will comply, whichever direction the Board wants to go. But I did want to express that request.

CHAIR BOTEL: So you'll get us a Doodle poll tomorrow morning?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Well -- I would appreciate that.

Madam Chair.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON McCoY: So I'm fine with this, but this is a lot of maintenance for just our part-time elected calendar, right. So whatever happens, can our staff at the city work with the CRA staff, make sure that there is some -- you know, so we can kind of at least be consistent, because I'm telling you there is so many different dates and then there is so many different commitments that we all have individually. But I just want to make sure that it all works.

Because now I'm only looking at what's before me and not -- I think this afternoon I did get some correspondence from the CRA, so I don't even know what those dates are.

So I just want to make sure it works and it's

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kind of collaborated with the CRA. 1 2 COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's what 3 I've just mentioned, is we do have -- she put it for the 25th and the 26th. And so we have a 4 5 meeting that Tuesday, that Wednesday, and then the 6 city budget that Thursday. And then I even have a 7 question mark by the 29th, that Saturday. Is that 8 still on for this meeting? 9 CHAIR BOTEL: I have it as a (audio 10 interference) in here too. 11 COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: (Audio 12 interference) right? If needed. 13 CITY MANAGER EVANS: That's if necessary, 14 yeah. 15 COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, I mean --16 yeah, I mean, there has to be some coordination 17 between the ethics, the City and the CRA, because 18 some of these dates that are being thrown out here 19 are in conflict with another e-mail that came not 20 too earlier about the ethics. So I'll wait for the 21 Doodle poll. 22 CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: And any questions that the Board may have, or any other action items?

Okay.

CHAIR BOTEL:

What I've been able to jot down here is the process that the City would have to undertake as it relates to the major disaster fund and what that impact would be as a result of a millage rate swap or decrease or what have you.

And then some additional information as it relates to our business tax receipt program.

And we have the request for the information about the borrow that the City provided for the CRA as it relates to the Ocean Walk.

And I think that's -- and then the, of course the staffing, the proposed staffing modifications, you'll definitely see that.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. Evans, you mentioned that if we were to reduce the millage rate it would mean that FP&L would pay a significantly less amount of money. Could you give us the impact to the FP&L contribution if we reduced the millage rate but put into place the fire assessment? What would -- would that ameliorate the loss, because of the reduction of the millage rate, the loss of (audio interference).

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay. And then
Councilwoman Botel, you wanted the taxable value
sheet extended.

CHAIR BOTEL: Yes.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay. All right.

CHAIR BOTEL: Anyone else? Questions?

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Madam Chair.

So, I'm sorry if this sounds repetitive. I just heard a lot more information than I expected to come to this meeting to get. But even if we take that scenario of implementing this fire assessment, how is that possible for us to get out notice and market this to our (audio interference) in the next -- I guess we would have to make a determination on this now. I mean, I don't understand how that's possible if we're just getting RF -- the responses from the RFPs, and be able to levy that in the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: As far as your collection for it and getting it out, you're going to probably most likely -- it will take a couple months for the process to begin, so let's just say conceivably it started in October, January would be when you would be putting out documentation and information about the direct billing process.

And so you conceivably could start seeing, you know, revenue collections in the month of, you know, March or shortly after that. It just depends

on how the process is.

Because we've been able to -- in my past experience, I've been able to do it in a year. But you're not going to collect -- you may only collect 50 or 60 percent; and then the people that didn't pay, it will roll on the taxes for the next -- the following year.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Yeah, but, you know, it's easy for us to sit here and say that we can collect or we can even relieve almost at least two million dollars off of what is contributed to general funds. But, you know, I think I understand it, I mean looking at this. But I think there has to be a very competitive organized effort to sell this to the community, as opposed to just sending out a bill.

And as much as I want to see some of that strain come off, I just -- you know, we have to be able to sell this to the community. And I don't know how we're going to be able to do that in such a short time period.

And when you put a bill -- I'm sorry. Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: And to your point,
Councilman, when we did this in the past we worked

with the fire union, we worked with our marketing team to get the information out. We had unity meetings to, you know, share about what the assessment is, so people weren't -- you know, we actually engaged the press to help communicate, A, this it what we're going on.

So it's going to take a conservative effort. But we can map out a timeline and share that with the Board as to what the intent is in the event that the Board says, hey, move forward in this particular direction.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Just to respond on that. So looking at those slides, those provisions for institutions, is that like (audio interference) institutions or -- what other kind of institutions would you be referring to? Hospital institutions?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: As far as -- yeah -- well, it's for -- you have the religious institutions, so they would be exempt, but you would establish a cap.

So if you had a property, for instance, like the Marriott, and you had a sliding scale that you would say their assessed value would not be over 15 million dollars or what have you, because you

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didn't want a situation where you had your commercial entities paying more in the assessment than they were paying in property tax. know, the sliding scale has to be adjusted accordingly.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. That's all I have for that.

> CHAIR BOTEL: Wait. We lost Ms. Lanier. Mr. Lawson.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: Thank you, Madam Chair.

And those sentiments, Mr. Evans -- Mr. Evans, if you could take the screen sharing off.

That -- those sentiments that Councilman McCoy stated in reference to the fire assessment were the ones that I wanted to address, because it's going to be a tough push to get that done without being able to engage the community and the residents as much as we would like to right now.

And then my other concern is that we're talking about lowering the millage rate, but then we're going to add the assessment. So I'm a little bit worried with how we're going to actually be able to still sustain the budget that we're looking to capitalize on with a lower millage rate.

And then also it's going to

disproportionately affect our residents when you have comparable homes that may be a hundred fifty to two hundred thousand dollars versus a million, million five, when they're going to lower the millage rate, which is going to directly affect and help FP&L and those larger homes; but yet we're going to assess all the residents at that same hundred, two hundred or three hundred dollar fire assessment. So I really want us to vet this before we roll there out to our residents.

And I think trying to push this in to this budget cycle is going to be a little aggressive for us. I know you're up for the challenge and you can get us all the information and we'll vet it quickly. But my concern is really pitching it to the community and making sure that they're aware of what's going on with it.

The second concern is going to be that
millage rate. I wouldn't be inclined to reducing
the millage rate if we're adding on that
assessment. I would want to kind of split the baby
and find somewhere in the middle, that we could
kind of work on a number that actually helps us
when it comes to analyzing how the assessment is
going to directly affect over the next one or two

years with the community.

And then the last concern is also the homesteaded properties. I want us to make sure that we can try to give an incentive for those homesteaded residents to have a reduced or no fire assessment, if we do go forward with the fire assessment, so that we can kind of encourage home ownership and then homesteaded properties in the community. So adding as many incentives as we can for them.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: We can create any type of carve-out provision but it would have to be paid for by the general fund. So let's say we exempted the homesteaded properties, the general fund would have to pay that money into the fire assessment. So in essence you negate that.

But we can look at situations that -- income thresholds. We've had situations where those are deferred, and those types of things. We can look at what other communities have done for seniors or what have you. That's something that we can look to build out some models for consideration.

Because these firms are used to moving through these processes pretty quickly and getting those -- the data to us where we can make informed

decisions.

VICE CHAIR LAWSON: Yeah, because once you said that we could move forward with getting those four fire stations built and moving, I was -- I'm excited with that opportunity; but I want to make sure that we roll it out the right way so...

And also have our residents engaged so...

That's just difficult, I know, with COVID, because this would have been something that we could have rolled out for them months ago. But essentially we're stuck in a bubble right now.

So trying to get this out to them and educate them without just, you know, popping up with a bill on their doorstep, is what I want to make sure that doesn't happen.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. Evans, if you could -- the presentation that Chief Curd gave at one of my Singer Island town hall meetings was very compelling. It was a little long, but it was really compelling. And, you know, it convinced me that this was a good thing to do. Could we videotape that? Could you make that part of -- you know, can you package that so that we can have the entire community take advantage of that?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Well -- and Chief Curd

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will -- we can certainly do that. And Chief Curd is going to give you that compelling argument again because I told him that it's incumbent upon him and I to work together to sell this assessment. So you can prepare for his budget presentation to talk about the importance as it relates to addressing some of these challenges so...

But, yeah, we will make sure that we create the communication pieces and have the conversation with the community about what this is.

And I can tell you the biggest thing that folks appreciate is that this money doesn't go to bureaucrats and administration, it goes straight to public safety; and that has always been the big selling point to it, is that it is not for -- you can't use it for anything else but for the provision of fire service, as it has a stipulation.

CHAIR BOTEL: Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Thank you, Mr. Evans.

Speaking of -- I'm sorry. Seems like Councilwoman Lanier was --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I was next.

CHAIR BOTEL: Were you next?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

That's okay. I just wanted to say that we're

want to have you to bring back a scenario where we have a quick recoup of the money that the CRA owes the City. I think the financial people call it extend and pretend. We've been doing this since 2000, for this money. And we need to figure out right here and now how we're going to recoup that money quickly.

Because even if we're going to ask the public about a fire assessment, we have to have some accountability in our own shop, to be able to say that we're doing what we're supposed to do so we want to present this to the public.

But I really want you to bring back something that shows how we're going to recoup that money quickly.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Okay.

CHAIR BOTEL: Now, Mr. McCoy.

Thank you, Ms. Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: So, I mean, it's not like they're being deferred. They're still making their payments. We were looking to restructure --

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: They just refinanced

it.

MR. McCOY: I'm sorry?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I said they just refinanced it.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Councilman McCoy, they haven't made any payments. It's been deferred.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Oh, really? For how long, Mr. Evans?

CHAIR BOTEL: Since the beginning.

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Mr. Sherman, since the onset, when did that start?

MR. SHERMAN: Since 2009.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Since 2009.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. All right. I think that I agree that's worth revisiting. But I would love to have that discussion.

But two other things, Mr. Evans. Speaking of -- here's a great segue from your point about the public safety. Now, if that's the case, I want us to explore -- actually, no, I don't want us to explore. I want us to go right into an ordinance discussion, because if we're going to levy a fire assessment, then we need to make the police department and the fire department charter departments. Because there's no way that I want to see us adding an additional fire assessment to every, basically property within the City and

then -- we need to solidify that in the charter if that's going to be something that we're doing going forward, because that gives everybody reassurances that our people in our fire department and in our police department are going to remain in our department. So I would like that to be done simultaneously with the conversation regarding the disaster fund.

And, you know, I would support us, you know, exploring that and bringing that back to some language. But that's very important, especially if we're going to talk about potentially presenting or proposing a tax to go indefinitely.

And then, you know, I guess -- here's an even better question. Right? If we're going to do a fire assessment, how do we do that? Is that going to be solidified by ordinance?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Yes, sir. And you have to vote on it every year. You have to vote on it every year. So there is situations whereby you can say no fire assessment or reduce the fire assessment. You have the ability, like I said earlier, it's just like a spigot in the wall, you can turn it on, turn it off. The elected body has total control over that. On an annual basis.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Well, I would like to see what the sentiments and the position of the Board about solidifying our police and fire in the charter. I know that is something you brought before, Mr. Evans, and I think it's definitely a part of the conversation that should be a part of the conversation.

The other item I had was -- and I requested this from you and Mr. Sherman today, this afternoon, was the sector dollars. In looking at those numbers, Mr. Sherman, was that about 2015 or so when those dollars were initially made available to not the council members but to the four districts?

MR. SHERMAN: I think it was 2015.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. And there's a guy from the first district, he seems to have a lot of money in his district so...

But, in any event, we know Councilman Lawson doesn't have a specific allotment. But I want to see if there is an opportunity, since this was done by way of budget, to perhaps repurpose a small quantity of that to do some other initiatives that I think has kind of put the city in perspective.

But in order to repurpose something like,

Mr. Sherman, is that -- and I don't mean all the dollars, but just a certain allotment, is that something that we can -- I guess I can -- I mean, obviously, I sent Mr. Evans a memo that I wanted to discuss it. But is this the time to at least consider that, during this budget process, since this was done by way of adopting a budget?

MR. SHERMAN: Those projects are in the

MR. SHERMAN: Those projects are in the capital improvement plan. So if you're going to adopt the next five-year capital improvement plan, that would be the time do it.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: So you mean to tell me the dollars that's sitting in the sector funds are already, are already allocated to a specific project?

MR. SHERMAN: No, they're allocated to a sector plan, which does have some detail behind it, or an intent behind it.

But, again, if you're going to reprogram it, when you readopt the five-year plan that would be the time to change that purpose.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Well, I want -MR. SHERMAN: Well, I was going to say the
money that's in district four was allotted to the
bridge project over on Singer Island, to kind of

supplement the dollars that the City had. So those dollars are kind of already spoken for towards that project.

But, again, that was the councilperson bringing it forward and saying they wanted to use their sector dollars towards that project. So that was done through the capital program.

COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. And -- yeah, I want to try to continue the conversation, but it's a small amount, but I would like to kind of compose an idea of offer the dollars that are already tied in the general fund but something I think is very much needed here in the City, so I will meet with the manager on that concept and that part of the program so...

Thank you. That's all I have.

CHAIR BOTEL: Ms. Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I have a question I wanted to ask, too, is that, you know, looking through the budget -- and I know we're going to probably get to this -- but just, you know, Mr. Sherman, just off the top of my head, why are all the legislative budgets different?

MR. SHERMAN: The budgets are very -- using the payroll projection module and the Tyler, they

are very specific calculations. So if someone doesn't have a body in a position right now, that's going to change the calculation. If they don't have a body with health insurance, that's going to change the calculation.

So it's interesting you ask that, because I was actually going through today and looking at those budgets and trying to bring them all in line today.

But that's why -- the salary projections, again, depending on where everybody is with their staffing, it would change the numbers.

just want to be clear that, you know, we need to make sure that the, you know, the CRA is on notice that -- you know, we're talking about ten million dollars here. We're talking about \$2,000 that was borrowed in the year 2000. And then they came back and borrowed more in 2009. So I think to recoup our money -- because we're looking at trying to figure out how we're going to do our budget here.

That's it. Thank you.

CHAIR BOTEL: Anything else?

CITY MANAGER EVANS: Not from staff, Madam Chair.

1	CHAIR BOTEL: Comments from the city attorney
2	or the city manager?
3	Comments from the city attorney?
4	MS. WYNN: Nothing from me, Madam Chair.
5	Thank you.
6	CHAIR BOTEL: In that case, we are adjourned.
7	COUNCILPERSON McCOY: One last question. So
8	tomorrow all we have is health insurance?
9	CITY MANAGER EVANS: No, sir, we have health
10	insurance and then the department presentations. I
11	believe there was an e-mail we got into the
12	departments. I believe there was an e-mail that
13	was sent out this afternoon.
14	COUNCILPERSON McCOY: Okay. Thank you.
15	CHAIR BOTEL: Thank you. We're adjourned.
16	You have a good night. Thank you.
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