

Foundations of A Great Global City

February 23, 2008

Regional Budget Discussions City Hall, 10th Floor

REGIONAL BUDGET DISCUSSIONS AGENDA

Introductions & Overview

Introduction of Participants

10:00 AM-10:10 AM

Review of Goals & Agenda

Discussion of Regional Budget Priorities

•Review Neighborhood Council/Community Input

10:10 AM-

11:40 AM

Comparison of Regional and Citywide Results

 Discussion & Consensus Regarding Regional Budget Priorities & Other Suggestions for Balancing the Budget

 Assess what results reveal about your community and the city as a whole

Wrap Up and Review Consensus Points

Summary of Consensus Points

11:40 AM-

11:50 AM

Written Evaluation of Program

Selection of Regional Budget Representatives
•Review Role of Regional Budget Advocates

11:50 AM-12:00 PM

 Voting by Appointed Budget Representatives to Select **Regional Advocates**

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REGIONAL VS. CITYWIDE PRIORITIES

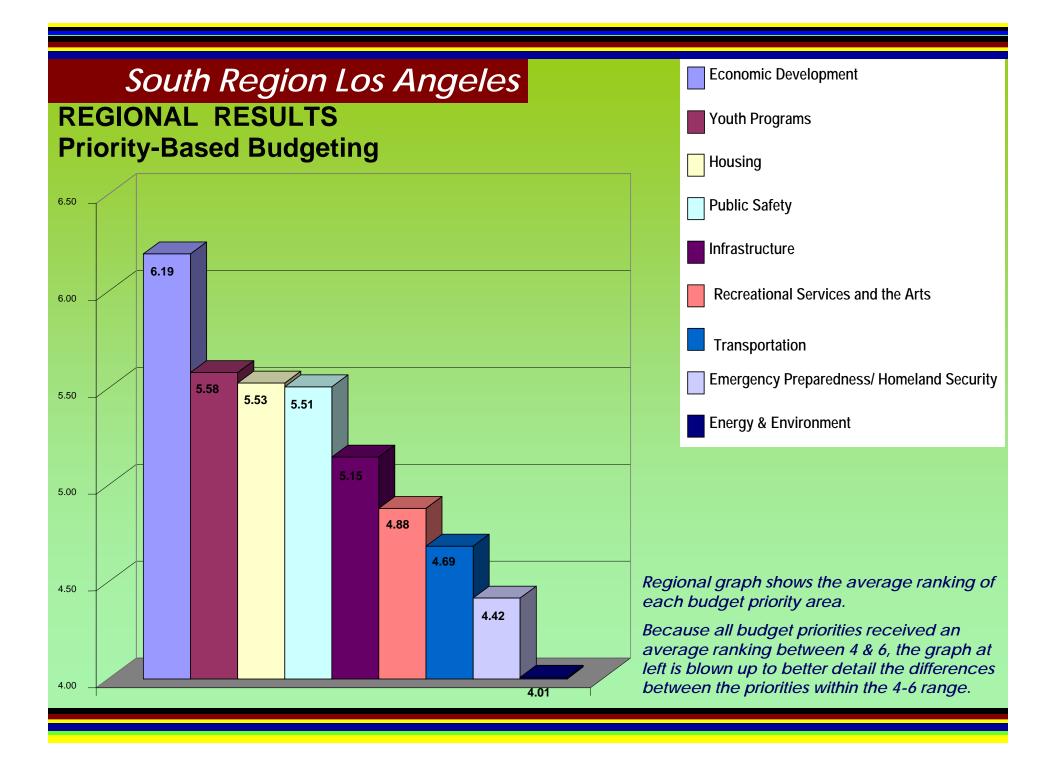
- Over the last few months, the Mayor asked Neighborhood Council leaders & stakeholders what they think are their communities' budget priorities, using a survey designed to capture input on the big budget issues facing the City of Los Angeles.
 - The graphs on the following pages, illustrate and summarize the results of the budget input captured by the Community Budget Survey.
 - We have also attached a demographic summary of those who gave their input using the Community Budget Survey.
 - Now, let's take a look and compare the similarities and differences between the regional priorities and the overall city priorities.

REGIONAL VS. CITYWIDE PRIORITIES

As we review the graphed results of the survey, we ask that each region consider the following questions:

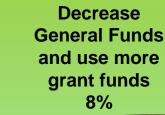
Where do our regional priorities differ from the Citywide priorities? Where are they the same?

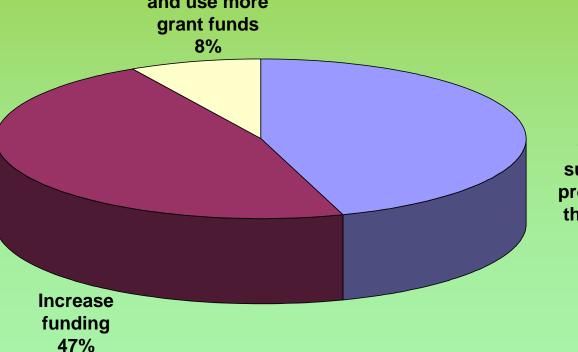
When speaking to Mayor Villaraigosa, what do we want our regional budget representatives to emphasize about our region's priorities? Our similarities, or our differences?



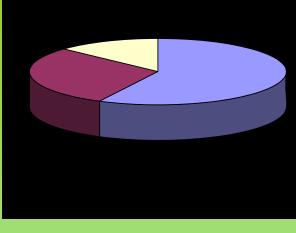
REGIONAL RESULTS

Gang Reduction & Youth Development Programs



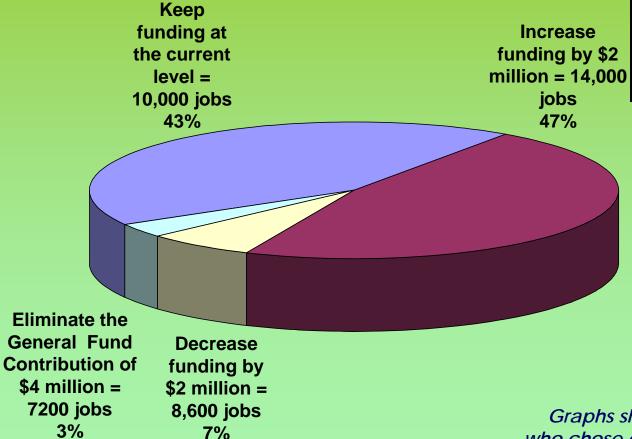


CITYWIDE RESULTS

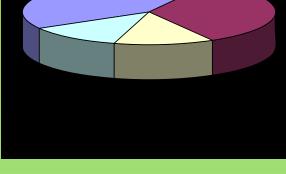


Keep funding successful programs at the current level 45%

REGIONAL RESULTS Youth Summer Jobs

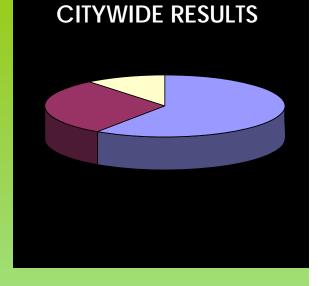


CITYWIDE RESULTS



REGIONAL RESULTS Park Maintenance Service Levels

Decrease park
maintenance service levels
to save \$10 million
5%

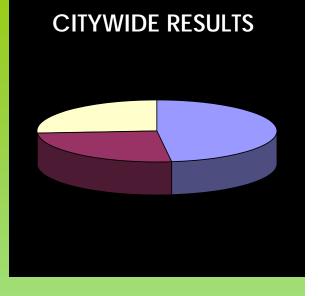


Keep park maintenance funded at the current level 61%

Enhance funding for park maintenance services levels by \$10 million 34%

REGIONAL RESULTS Community Plans Update Cycle

New cycle of 35 plans every 16 years (2 plans/year) for \$4 million less 19%



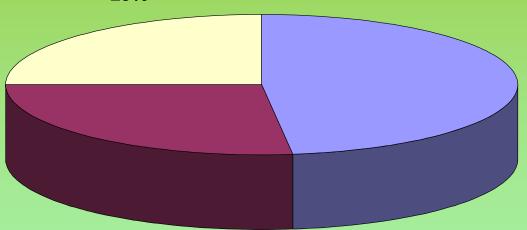
New cycle of

Current cycle of 35 plans every 12 years (3 plans/year) 50%

New cycle of 35 plans every 8 years (4 plans/year) for \$5 million more 31%

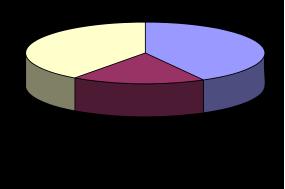
REGIONAL RESULTS Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Eliminate General Fund contribution to the AHTF to save \$7 million 25%



Increase funding from the General Fund by \$3 million, for a total of \$10 million 27%

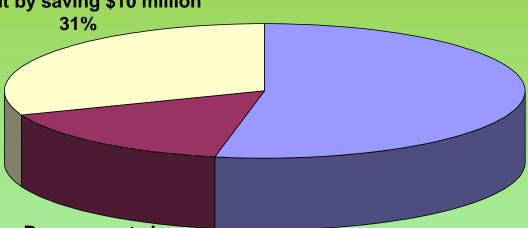
CITYWIDE RESULTS



Continue at the current level of \$7 million from the General Fund.
48%

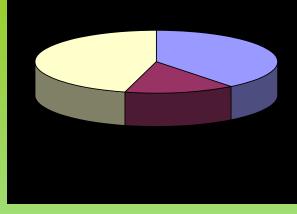
REGIONAL RESULTS City Departments' Salary Savings

Increase rate by ½ of a percent to close budget deficit by saving \$10 million



Decrease rate by 1/2 of a percent to hire more staff for more work (\$10 million more) 16%

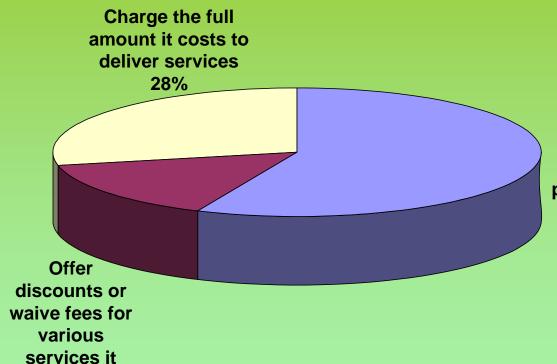
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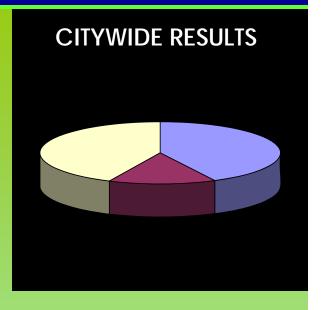


No change to departments' current rate 53%

REGIONAL RESULTS
Fees for Licenses, Permits and Fines

provides 15%



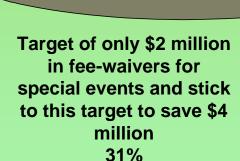


Keep licenses, permits, fees and fines at the current level 57%

REGIONAL RESULTSFee-waivers for Special Events

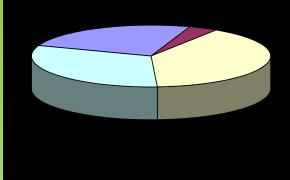
Continue its use of fee- waivers for special events at the same level 53%

Stop giving fee- waivers for any special event to save \$6 million 11%



Offer \$1 million more in fee-waivers for special events for community organizations 5%

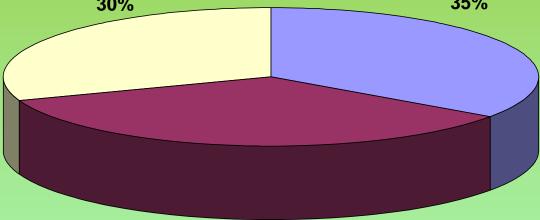




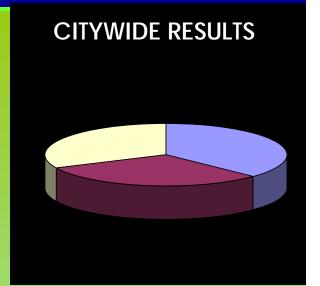
REGIONAL RESULTS Sale of Surplus City Property

Target of surplus property sales for one- time expenses, and have 100% of revenue go to General Fund 30%

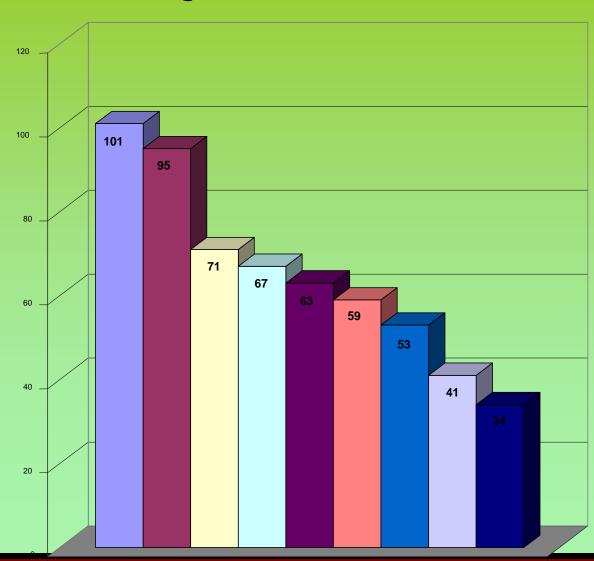
No target since there is no guarantee any surplus properties will be sold 35%



Target of surplus property sales for one time expenses 35%



REGIONAL RESULTS Areas for Budget Reduction



Emergency Preparedness/ Homeland Security

Energy and Environment

Economic Development

Public Safety

Housing

Transportation

Recreational Services and the Arts

Infrastructure

Youth Programs

Graph at left shows the total number of respondents within the region who selected each respective budget priority area for possible spending reductions to offset new spending in other priority areas.

DISCUSSION: What Other Suggestions Do You Have to Help Balance the City Budget?

REGIONAL BUDGET DISCUSSIONS Wrap-Up

- Question & Answer
- Selection of Regional Budget Representatives

✓ Regional Budget Representatives meet with Mayor Villaraigosa on March 8, 2008 to deliver the regional budget message and advocate for the region's budget priorities and issues of concern.

- ✓ Preparation meeting to be scheduled in advance.
- Written Evaluation of Meeting
- Adjourn