

2026 BUDGET

IN BRIEF

BROOKINGS BUDGET

The City of Brookings adopts a budget on an annual basis to set the strategic direction for the upcoming year.

The budget serves as a policy tool, operations guide, financial plan, and communications device while aligning with City Council's five (5) focus areas.



BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

2026 BUDGET

– 2026 Budget is almost \$650k less than 2025

- \$1M General Fund increase
- Balanced budgeting
- Positive sales tax growth

TAX REVENUE

- 3% sales tax increase expected over 2025 adopted budget
- 5% property tax growth

INITIATIVES

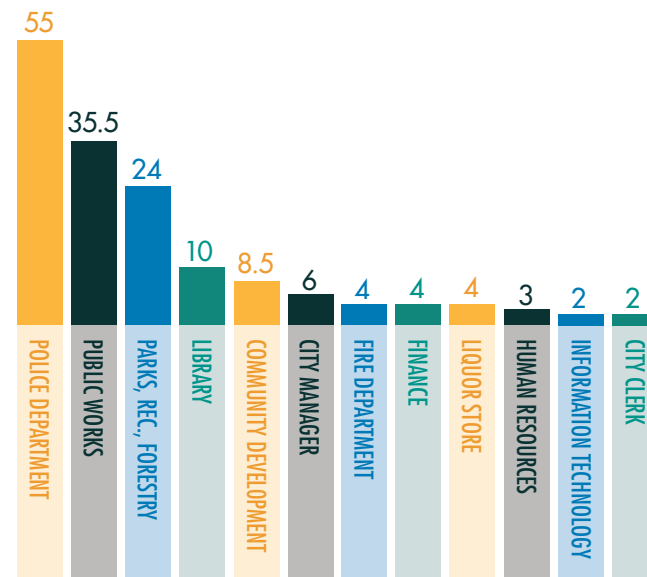
- New city attorney relationship
- Ordinance recodification
- Salary survey in 2026 to be implemented in 2027
- Continued investment in employees
 - Wages
 - Professional development & training
- Addition of 5th Street Gym

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor - Oepke "Ope" Niemeyer Council Member - Brianna Doran
Deputy Mayor - Nick Wendell Council Member - Holly Tilton Byrne
Council Member - Bonny Specker Council Member - Wayne Avery
Council Member - Lisa Hager

CITY MANAGER

Paul Briseno



CITYWIDE STAFFING

158 EMPLOYEES

BUDGET SUMMARY

Total Budget \$72,527,765

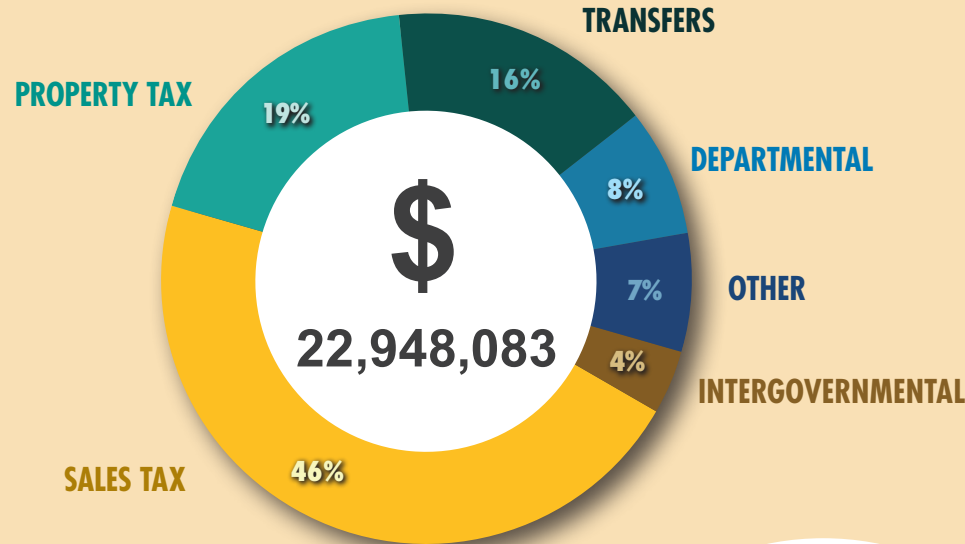
GENERAL FUND	ENTERPRISE
\$22.9M 32%	\$22.1M 31%

SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
\$14.1M 19%	\$13.4M 18%

General Fund Revenue \$22,948,083

General Fund Expenditures \$22,948,083

GENERAL FUND REVENUE



CAPITAL PROJECTS

Street Projects: \$4.5M

Fire Engine 3 Replacement: \$700K

5th Street Gym Improvements: \$450K

Police Vehicles: \$330K

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

HOW EACH \$ IS SPENT



DID YOU KNOW?

\$350,000 HOME
with \$4,584 in TAXES

WHERE DO
PROPERTY
TAXES GO?

