



BOARD AGENDA
BOARD OF WRIGHT COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, December 7, 2023

Tina Diedrick, District 1
Darek Vetsch, District 2
Jeanne Holland, District 3
Nadine Schoen, District 4
Michael Kaczmarek, District 5

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
- III. 2024 BUDGET OVERVIEW
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE 2024 BUDGET/CERTIFIED LEVY
 - A. GUIDELINES FOR MEETING:
 - 1. Audience Participants Are Requested To Limit Comments To Three Minutes. Please Go To The Podium And State Your Name And Address For The Record.
 - 2. Every Person Wishing To Comment On The 2024 Budget/Certified Levy Will Be Heard Initially Before Repeat Opportunities Are Extended.
 - 3. There Will Be A 15-Minute Break At The Top Of Every Hour.
- V. BUDGET PRESENTATION & LINKS TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
 - A.
 - 1. 2024 Budget Presentation
 - 2. 2024 Budget Webpage
<https://www.co.wright.mn.us/1270/2024-Budget>
 - 3. County Budget Webpage
<https://www.co.wright.mn.us/1032/County-Budget>



2024 BUDGET

Wright County Vision:

Wright County supports the pursuit of an affordable, safe, and family-friendly County.

Wright County Board Mission:

Wright County will lead with fiscal responsibility, innovation, and compassion.

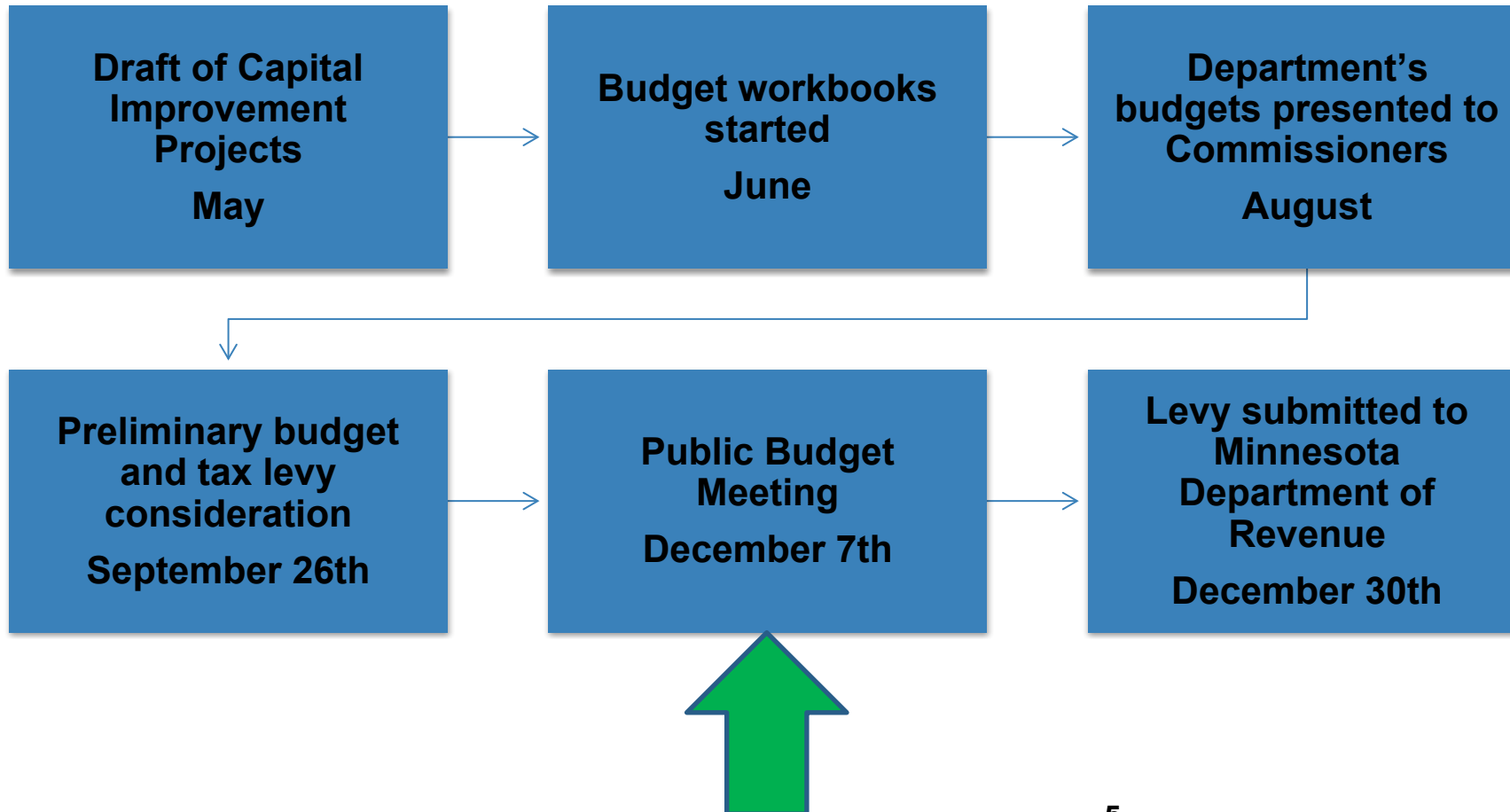


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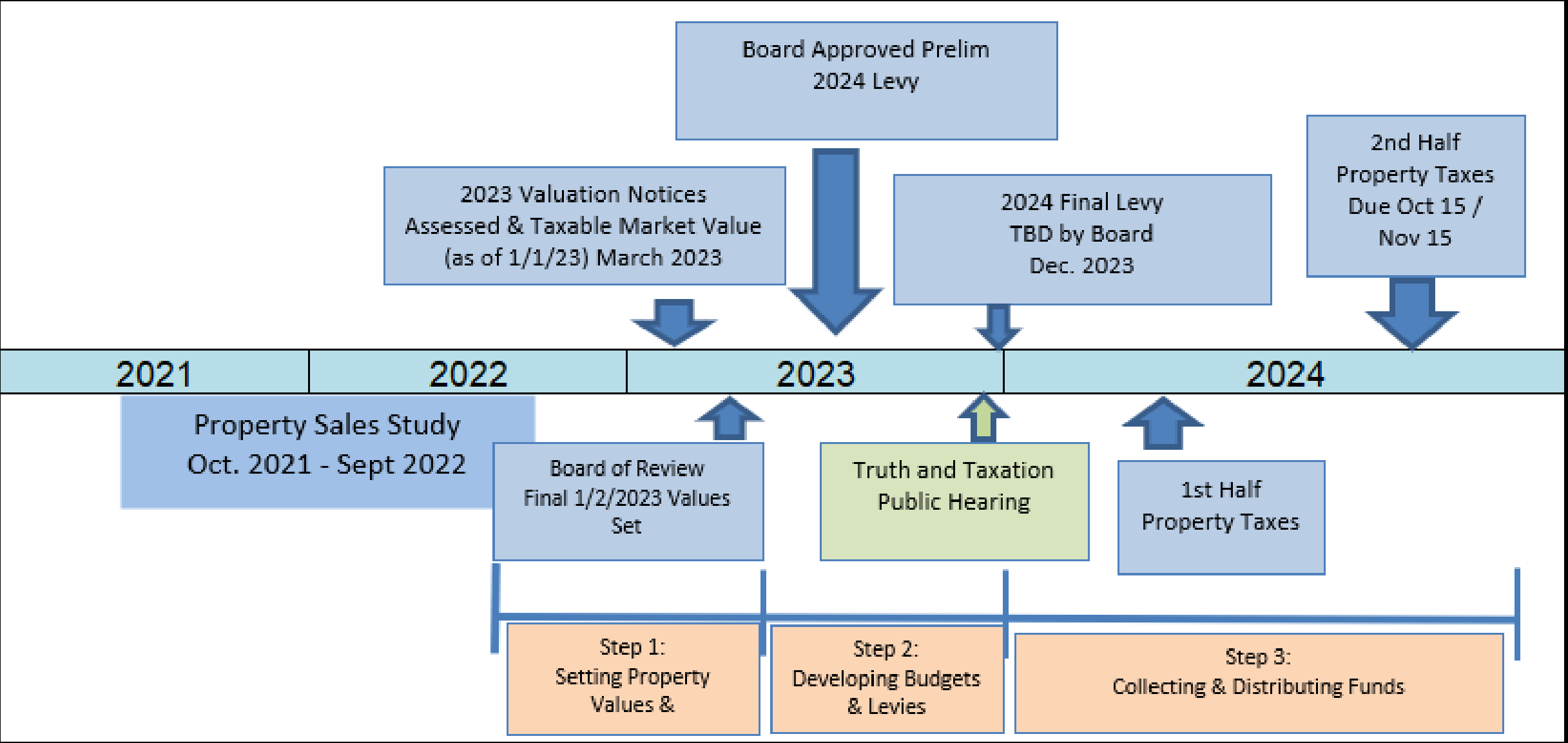
1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome & Introductions – Commissioner Darek Vetsch,
Wright County Board Chair
3. 2024 Budget Overview
4. Public Comment on the 2024 Budget/Certified Levy



BUDGET PROCESS



Property Taxes Timeline - Statutory



MARKET VALUE QUESTIONS

- Schedule an appointment with the Assessor's Office staff if you have any questions about your property's market value and/or classification.
- There is a sign-up sheet available for those that have questions and the Assessor's staff will contact you.



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YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK

- **512.9 Miles of Roads, 39 County Owned Bridges, 4,717 Acres of Public Land**
- **Public Safety: Patrol Deputies, Jail, 9-1-1 Center, County Attorney, Courts & Probation**
- **9 Great River Regional Libraries**
- **Vital Records: Birth, Marriage, Land, Vehicle Tabs, Licensing, and Passports**
- **Public Health: Provides a broad range of health services promoting health and preventing illness as well as critical support during the ongoing pandemic for our community, schools, and local business**
- **Financial and Social Services: Connects the community to services and resources designed to support individual and family health, and well being**
- **Environmental Services: Recycling, Water Management, Feedlots**
- **Veteran Services: Connecting veterans with state and federal benefits.**



TAXES KEEP ROADS SAFE YEAR-ROUND

Highway Maintenance: \$4.96 per capita/month

Maintaining the County roads, bridges, and signs costs you less per month than one small Caramel Frappuccino Blended at your local coffee shop.



TAXES MAINTAIN PARKS AND TRAILS

Parks & Trails: \$1.31 per capita/month

- Wright County has more than 4,717 acres of park lands and outdoor recreation space, including 82 miles of trails. Accessing and utilizing what is offered in the county parks will enhance your mental and physical health. Compared to the cost of purchasing and maintaining personal property, the amount you pay for county park lands is a real bargain.



TAXES FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

Public Health:
\$1.43 per capita/month

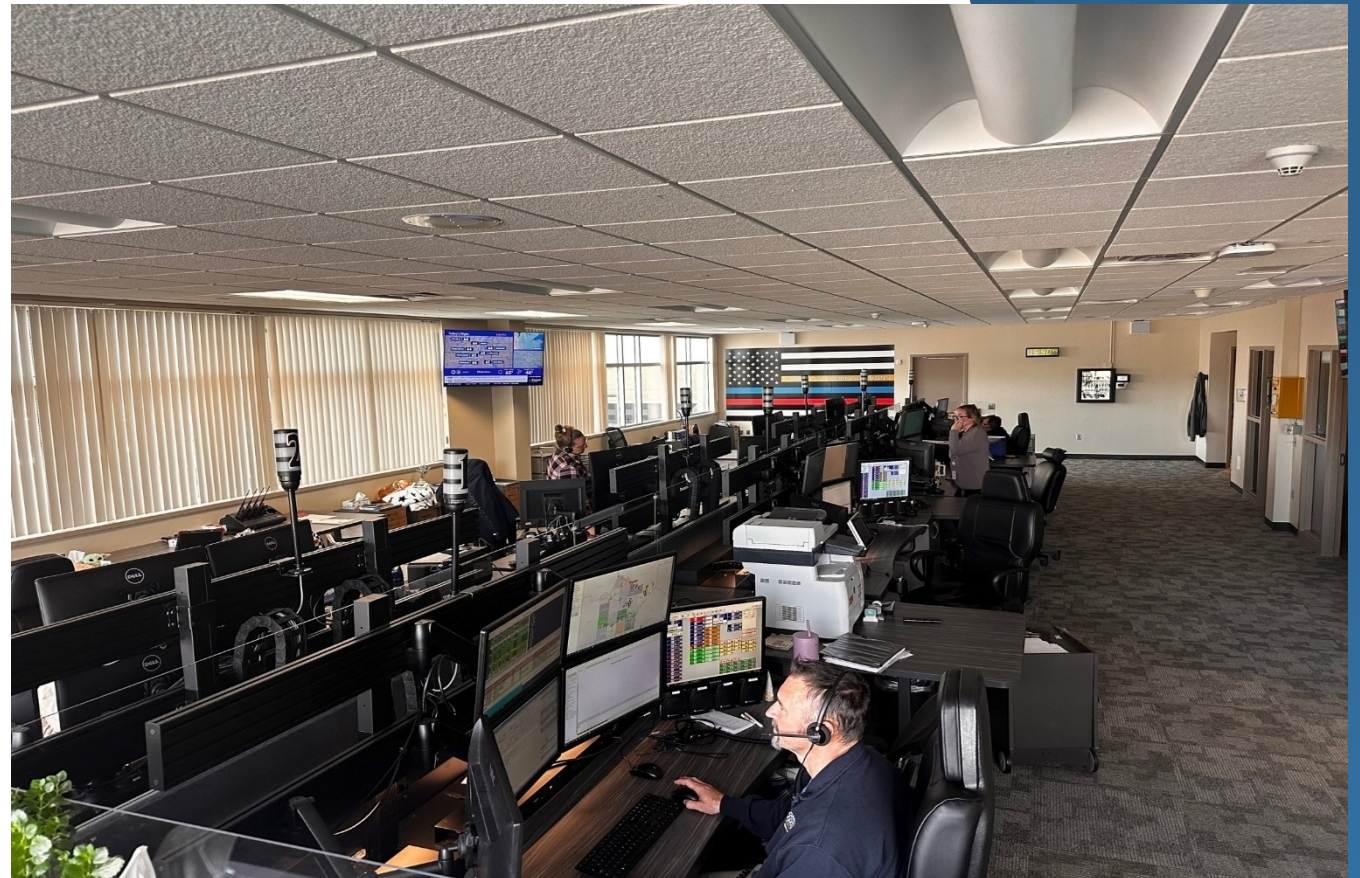
- Wright County Public Health has been protecting, maintaining, and improving the health of county residents since 1951. Public Health provides a broad range of health services to individuals, families, and communities to promote health and prevent illness.



TAXES ASSURE EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Sheriff/911 Dispatch: \$11.58 per capita/month

- What value can you put on the assurance you can call 911 and receive immediate response?



TAXES SUPPORT LIBRARY SERVICES

Library: \$1.31 per capita/month

For less than the cost of a newspaper, all residents have easy access to everything the County libraries have to offer: a community gathering place, educational materials, DVDs, Internet services, a variety of programs for children and adults, helpful staff to assist you.



CURRENTLY WORKING ON

- **Redevelopment of the former Government Center Property**
- **American Rescue Plan Act Projects:**

Broadband Grants

**Township Surface
Transportation projects**

**Accessibility Improvement for
Parks**

- **Distribution of the Opioid Settlement money. Including creation of the Opioid Settlement Council.**
- **Reviewing the Compost Facility Buildings for efficiencies.**
- **Design and Construction of the Highway Maple Lake Outshop.**



PROJECT COMPLETED

- Completed the Otsego Outshop Expansion Project.
- Sold the former Health and Human Services' Center Building (HSC Building).
- Phase II of the Oracle Fusion Implementation of Human Capital Management, Payroll, and Budgeting.
- Distribution of 12 grants (approx. \$2.7 million) from American Rescue Plan Funds to the cities for sewer and water projects.
- Aggregate Special Reserve Fund Allocations.

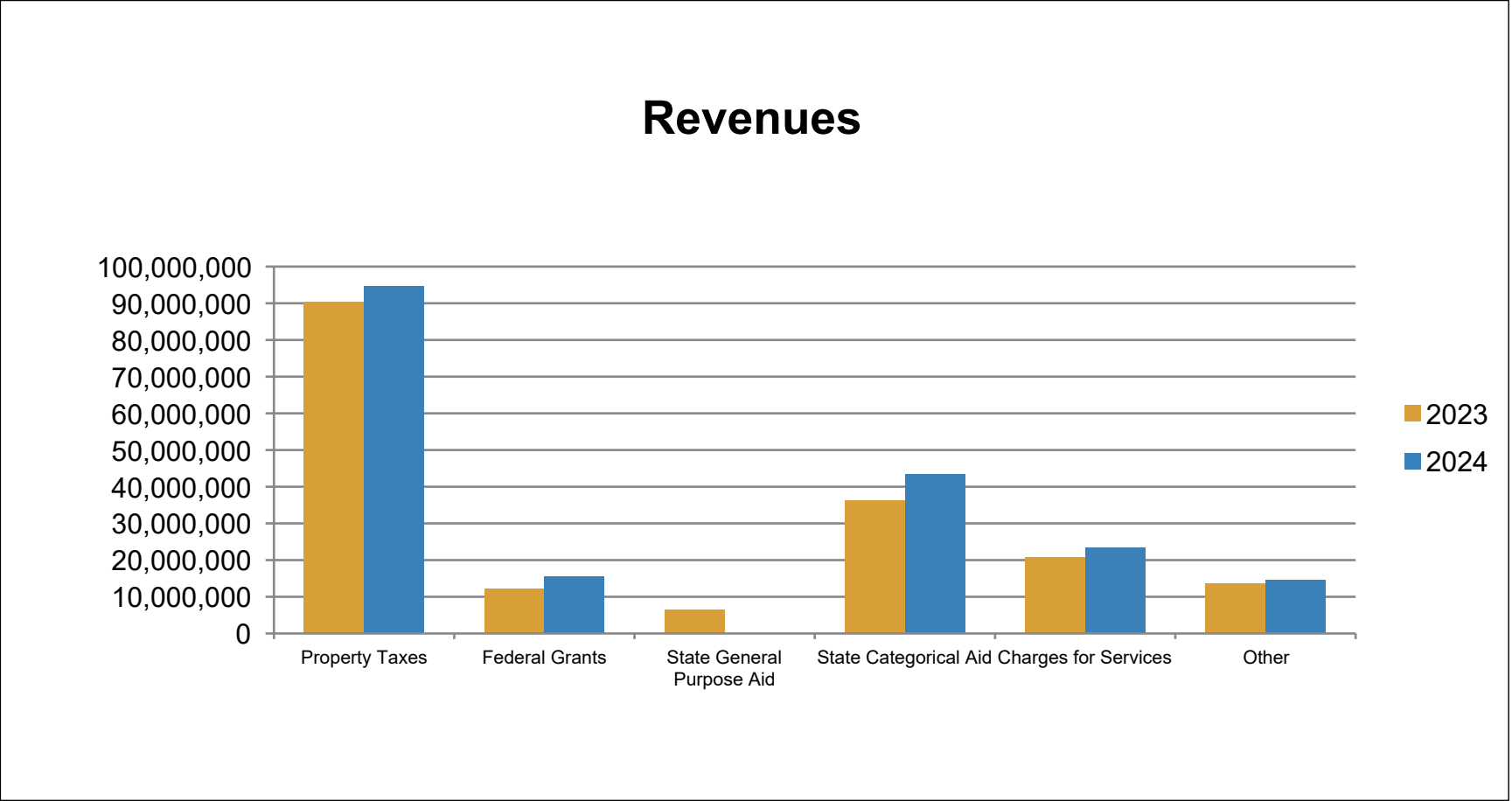


2024 BUDGET

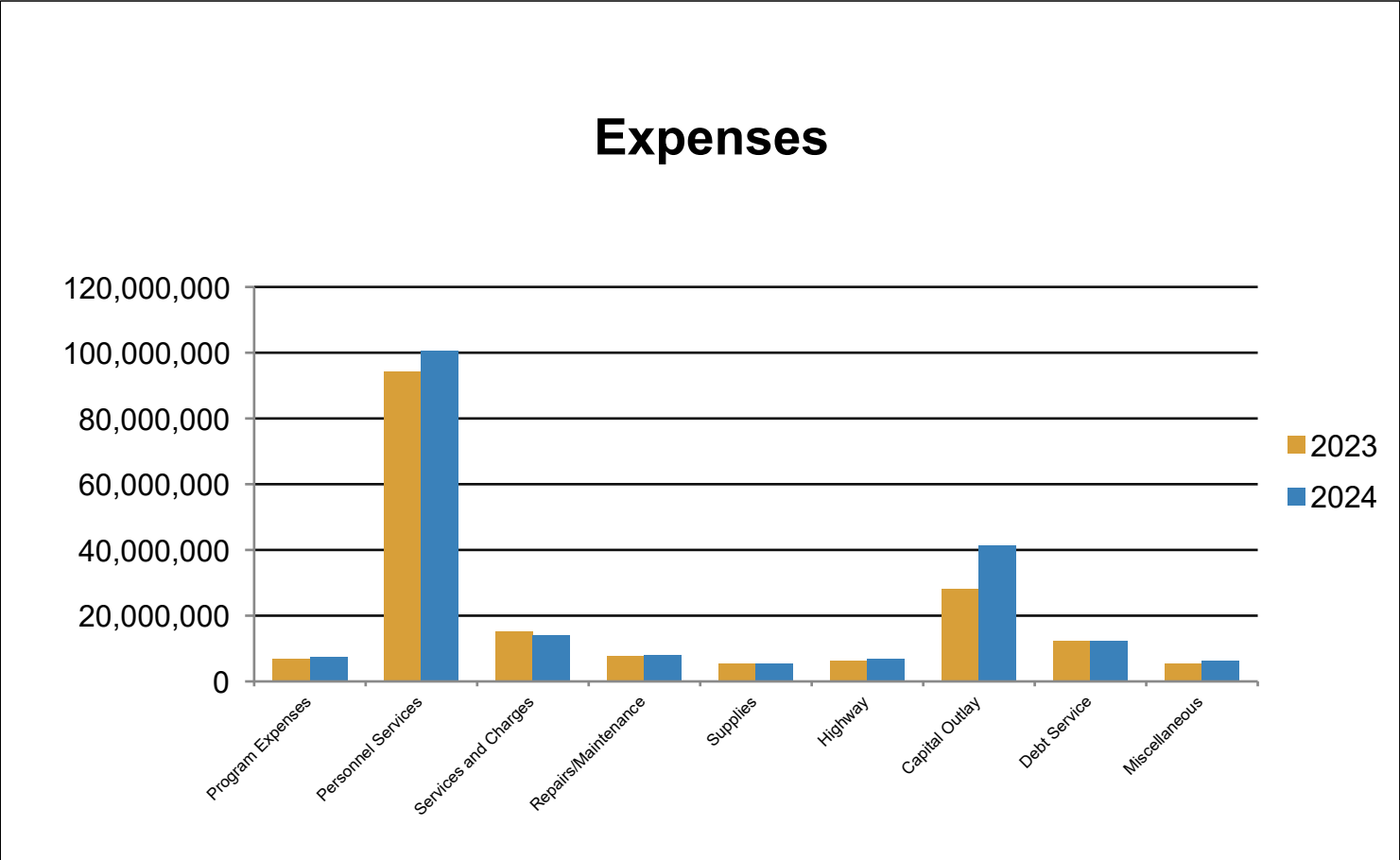
- Preliminary budget set at \$201,527,551
- Preliminary levy set at \$95,003,567
- 4.80% preliminary levy increase
- Tax capacity growth is estimated at 17.31%
- 2.63% County growth from new construction
- The levy percentage increase is NOT the same as the property tax percentage increase



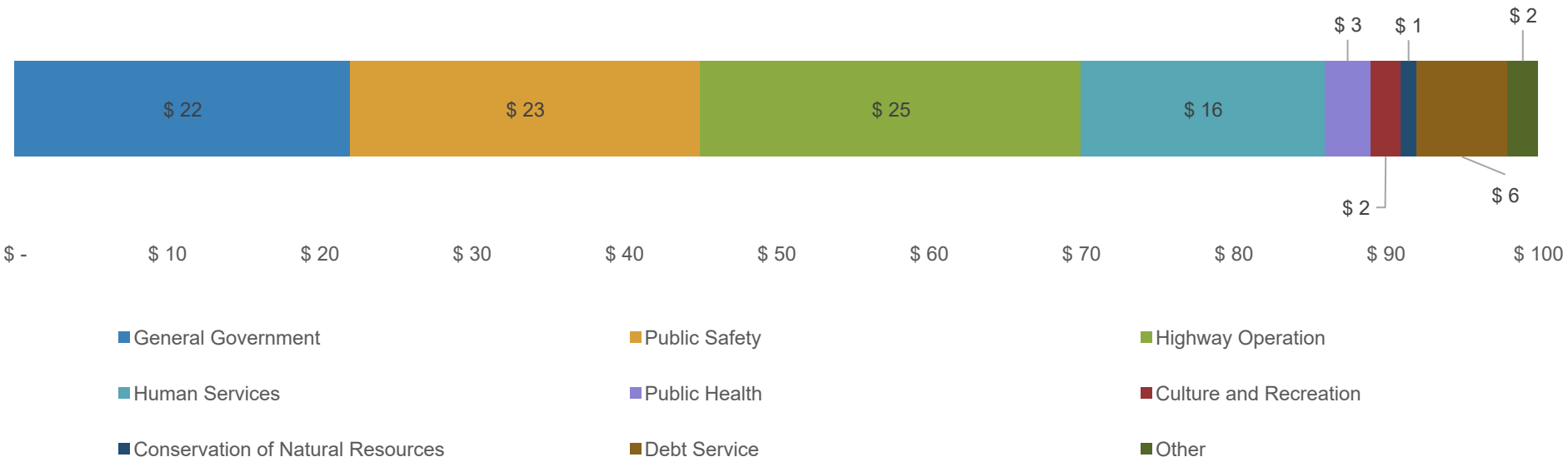
2024 BUDGET REVENUES



2024 BUDGET SPENDING



HOW EVERY \$100 ARE SPENT



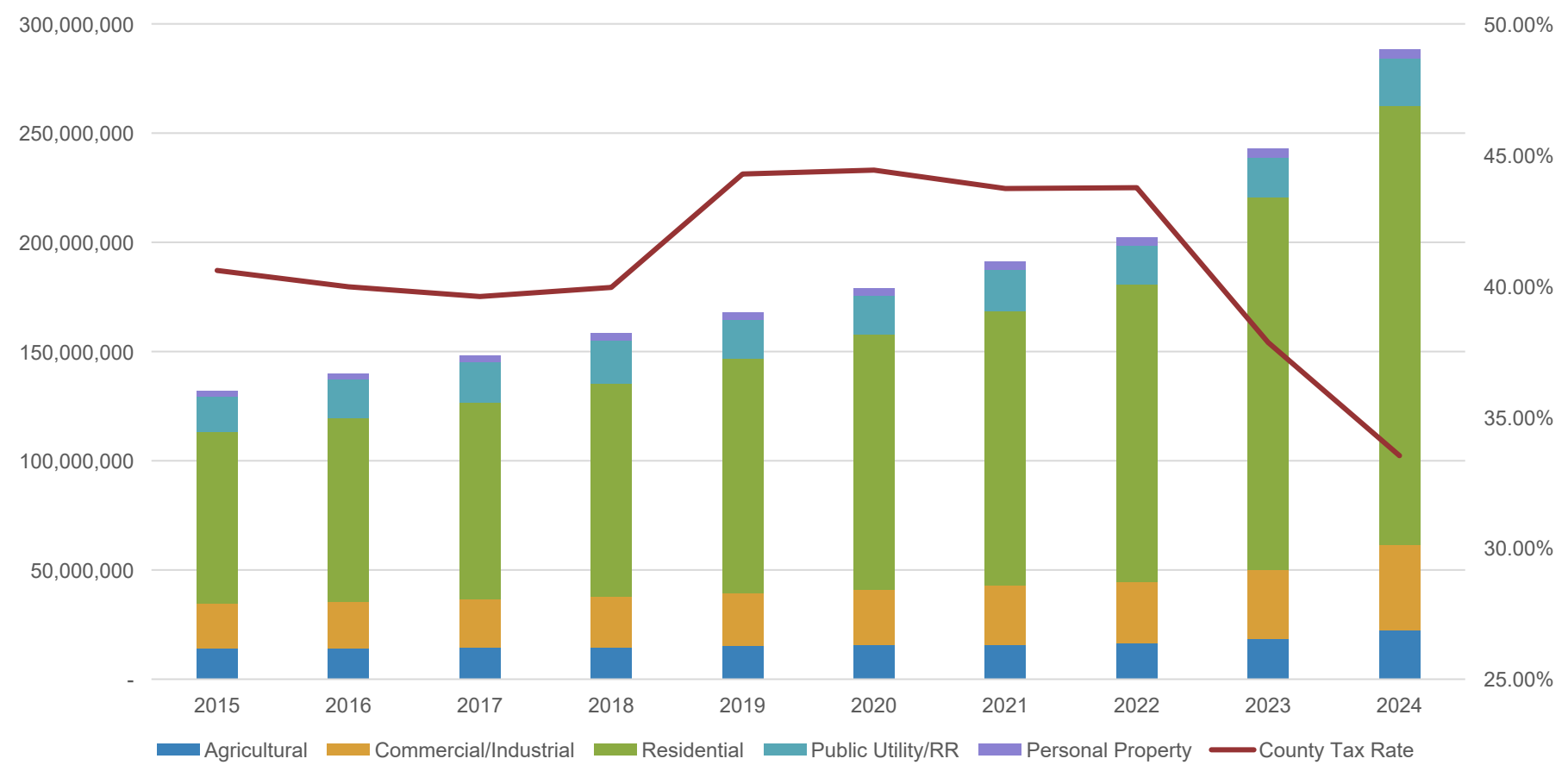
2023 ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE INCREASE

The typical single-family home in Wright County saw a median increase in Estimated Market Value (EMV) of 15.01% for the 2023 Assessment.

- The size of the increase can vary greatly dependent on the type of home and location.
- Cities saw mean increases of around 15.05%, where townships saw growth closer to 14.9%.

This historic growth in value took place in most neighboring communities.

PAST CAPACITY VS. TAX RATE, 2015-2024





THANK YOU.

