

2009 Proposed Budget Overview

- The overall budget is \$177,600,637 which is a 4.7% increase over the 2008 adopted budget.
- The net budget (transfers and internal services removed) is \$156,552,397 which is a 9.2% increase from 2008. Net revenues (transfers and internal services removed) are projected to be \$144,894,388 – 7.7% increase over the 2008 adopted budget.
- The proposed 2009 Budget projects fund balance for all funds to decrease by \$7,732,793 from \$51,733,913 to \$44,001,121.
 - Assumes actual expenditures at 97.5% of appropriations.
 - Assumes revenue collections at 100% of projections.
 - The use of fund balances for one-time expenditures in operating funds is \$378,684; in the Capital Fund is \$6.2 million; and in the Solid Waste Fund is \$900 thousand.
 - Overall the 2009 projected ending fund balance is 24.78% of appropriations.
- TABOR refunds for 2009 is projected to be \$2,505,315, and is reserved in fund balance for refund in 2011.

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Revenue Summary

- Overall County revenues are projected to grow 7.7% from the 2008 adopted budget. Following are some of the key revenue assumptions:
 - *Sales & Use Tax:* In 2008 Mesa County sales tax growth has slowed. Sales & use tax revenues are projected to increase 2.6% over the 2008 adopted budget.
 - *Property Tax:* Assessed value continues to grow with net assessed value increasing by 5.8%. Property tax collections are budgeted to increase 5.8%, the maximum allowed under TABOR restrictions. The base mill levy stayed the same at 15.093 mills.
 - *Severance Tax, Mineral Leasing and Energy Impact Revenues:* Mineral Leasing is expected to increase 57.6% from the 2008 adopted budget and Severance Tax expected to increase by 52.3% over 2008 adopted budget. The 2009 Budget anticipates over \$4 million in energy impact revenues for capital projects (with some carryover from 2008 projects). Severance tax will be allocated as follows:
 - \$1,500,000 to Capital Fund for transportation infrastructure.
 - \$2,505,315 Reserved for TABOR refunds
 - \$489,355 General Fund to support maintenance activities
 - *Specific Ownership Tax:* Specific Ownership tax is expected to increase 13% over 2008 adopted budget.
 - *Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT):* PILT funds are expected to increase .5% from 2008 adopted budget.
 - *Interest:* Interest is anticipated to decrease by 37% over the 2008 adopted budget.

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Continue to Promote and Protect Public Safety –“I want to feel safe anytime anywhere in Mesa County”

- The 2009 Budget includes \$38,685,235 (25.6% of total) in appropriations and 374.5 FTE (3.5 new) for public safety.
- Highlights Include:
 - \$15.6 million in appropriations and 142.5 FTE (0 new) for law enforcement activities.
 - \$244,823 in appropriations and 2 FTE for a new traffic unit
 - \$3.7 million in the District Attorneys Office and 46.5 FTE (0 new) to ensure offenders receive appropriate punishment for their actions, and where practical receive treatment to prevent recidivism.
 - \$14.6 million for detention and alternative sentencing programs and facilities with 168.5 FTE (1.5 new).
 - \$751,291 in appropriations and 12 FTE (0 new) Animal Control services.
 - \$3.1 million in capital appropriations for safety improvements to roads and for public safety facilities.

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Create Well-Planned and Developed Communities – “I want plans and infrastructure that maintain quality of life in the face of rapid growth”

- The 2009 Budget has \$49,784,891 (32.9% of total) in appropriations and 139.4 FTE (1.5 new) to support well planned and developed communities.
- Highlights Include:
 - \$34.3 million in appropriations and 55.9 FTE (0 new) to maintain and improve multi-modal transportation infrastructure in Mesa County.
 - Continuation of the viaduct to complete 29 Road to I-70B (completion in 2010).
 - Rural road improvements and rural bridge replacements
 - Increased funding for overlay
 - \$1.5 million to expand the Riverfront Trail
 - \$2.8 million for land use planning and code enforcement activities, 27.5 FTE (.5 new).
 - \$1.6 million to maintain building inspection services levels 17 FTE (0 new).
 - \$4.3 million for Regional Transportation Planning, Grand Valley Transit Administration and Traffic services, 12 FTE (0 new).

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Promote and protect public health and the success of all citizens – “I want a community where citizens of all ages can be healthy and successful”

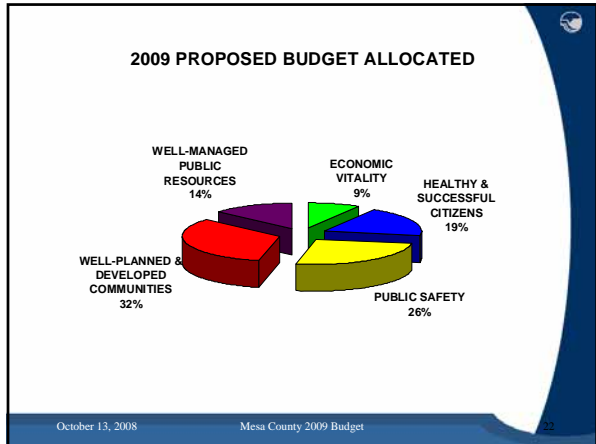
- The 2009 Budget includes \$29,159,759 (19.3% of total) in appropriations and 299.43 FTE (-5.9 new) to promote healthy and successful citizens.
 - \$17.3 million for Human Services programs that provide basic needs of low-income, eligible individuals and families, child protection services and adult services including adult protection and Area Agency on Aging programs. 198.63 FTE (1 new)
 - \$7.5 million for the Health Department for Public Health Nursing, community clinic services, disease prevention, emergency preparedness, family planning, and environmental health programs. 94.55 FTE (-7.25 new)
 - \$500,000 to support programs for the developmentally disabled through Mesa Developmental Services. This is an 11% increase over 2008.
 - \$2.9 million for capital projects for a new Animal Services Facility, Storm Water management, Gateway domestic water and the Fairgrounds.

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Continue to efficiently and effectively protect and manage all public resources – “I want Mesa County to have well managed resources”

- The 2009 Budget includes \$20,663,531 (13.7% of total) in appropriations and 189.13 FTE (1 new) to provide well managed resources for Mesa County.
- Highlights include:
 - \$2.2 million for increased service levels in the Assessor’s Office. 30 FTE (1 new)
 - \$3 million to maintain service levels in the Clerk & Recorder, Treasurer and Surveyors Office, 48 FTE (0 new).
 - \$5 million for Facilities and Fairgrounds maintenance 18.17 FTE (0 new)
 - \$10.3 million for administration and support services for the entire organization, including: Board of Commissioners; County Administration; all internal support services (Information Technology operations, Human Resources, Purchasing, Finance), and legal services through the County Attorney’s Office. 75.7 FTE (0 new)

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MESA COUNTY PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS Proposed Budgets

Fund	2009 Projected Beginning Fund Balances	Revenues	Appropriations	2009 Budgeted Ending Fund Balance
Southwest MC Rural Services (Operating)	\$26,595	\$18,333	\$25,000	\$19,928
Southwest MC Rural Services (Sewer)	50,799	38,355	67,775	21,379
Lower Valley	695,967	66,000	242,588	519,379
Whitewater	1,692,324	3,025,000	4,106,035	611,289
Mesa Community Center	82,933	29,981	20,500	92,414
Upper Grand Valley Pest	47,325	29,519	22,005	54,839
	\$2,595,943	\$3,207,188	\$4,483,903	\$1,319,228

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