



2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET SNAPSHOT

PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

1%

INCREASE
in municipal tax rate



\$0.19 of every tax dollar
funds municipal services

Summit's Tax Base—
\$9.8M INCREASE
in municipal tax base

\$3.143
billion

2019
FINANCIAL
PLAN

\$77.52M 
17.76% FROM 2018

GENERAL
FUND
BUDGET

\$68.74M 
21.8% FROM 2018

- Operating Budget - \$51.98M, up 1.19% from 2018
- Capital Budget - \$16.75M, up 232.5% from 2018
(including new firehouse)
- Without new firehouse: \$4.95M, down 1.66%

UTILITIES
[SELF-FUNDED
THROUGH FEES
COLLECTED]

Parking Services Budget **\$4.05M total**

- \$3.95M Operating, up 11.0% from 2018
- \$100,000 Capital, no change from 2018

Sewer Utility Budget **\$4.73M total**

- \$4.31M Operating, up 12.03% from 2018
- \$421,500 Capital, down 78.0% from 2018



Public Hearing on 2019 Municipal Budget

Tuesday, April 23 at 7:30pm, City Hall Council Chamber

2019 Municipal Goals & Key Actions

"The City of Summit strives to be a model of excellence in local government with equal opportunity for all. Our focus on innovation and smart growth collaborations between communities, key institutional stakeholders and local government will continue to transform city infrastructure and provide for the efficient delivery of essential services to constituents."

—Michael F. Rogers, City Administrator



FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

GOAL Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and sound management

KEY ACTION Maintain the city's 'AAA' credit rating and secure the best and lowest debt financing terms



SMART GROWTH

GOAL Increase emphasis on redevelopment and smart planning

KEY ACTION Adopt the Broad Street west redevelopment plan, designate redeveloper(s) and begin redevelopment agreement negotiations



CITY INFRASTRUCTURE

GOAL Maintain and upgrade critical city assets and infrastructure, and promote safety

KEY ACTION Finalize new firehouse facility and construction specifications for public bid



CUSTOMER SERVICE

GOAL Expand focus on providing exemplary customer service to meet changing constituent needs

KEY ACTION Provide additional training for staff with public-facing roles and responsibilities; expand use of tracking software capability for building and construction projects



INNOVATION

GOAL Offer innovative solutions to ongoing municipal challenges

KEY ACTION Expand the ridesharing program to include more resident employees



TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION

GOAL Expand the application of technology to create business opportunity and increase customer convenience

KEY ACTION Utilize license-plate recognition software to enhance community policing and parking enforcement efforts

REVENUE HIGHLIGHTS | 2019

Increase in
municipal
tax levy

\$335,700

\$0 increase in General Fund
balance anticipated (surplus)

State Aid (energy tax receipts property relief
tax fund) is **projected to remain stable**

\$129,444

INCREASE
in local revenues

2% PROPERTY TAX LEVY

\$1,615,581

UNDER MAXIMUM
TAX LEVY AMOUNT OF
\$28,408,087

Enterprise fund and contributions
are down by a modest **\$59,183**

HOW CITY REVENUE IS GENERATED

| REVENUE SOURCE | Y-O-Y % CHANGE | \$ IN MILLIONS | 2019 | 2018 | % OF TOTAL |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------|---------|---------------|
| Municipal Tax Levy | 1.27% | | \$26.80 | \$26.50 | 51.54% |
| Fund Balance | 0.00% | \$6.90 | \$6.90 | | 13.27% |
| School District Debt Obligation | 3.74% | \$4.80 | \$4.70 | | 9.31% |
| Local Revenues | 3.65% | \$3.70 | \$3.50 | | 7.07% |
| State Aid | -2.57% | \$3.40 | \$3.50 | | 6.58% |
| Enterprise Funds/Contributions | -1.85% | \$3.10 | \$3.20 | | 6.04% |
| Library Tax Levy | 1.25% | \$2.44 | \$2.41 | | 4.70% |
| Prior Year Tax Receipts | 28.57% | \$0.60 | \$0.50 | | 1.21% |
| Grants | -25.54% | \$0.14 | \$0.19 | | 28.00% |

LOCAL REVENUES

INCREASES
\$90,000
Interest on
Investments
\$40,000
Cell Tower
Utility Income

DECREASE
\$38,000
Municipal
Golf Course
Fees

ENTERPRISE FUNDS/CONTRIBUTIONS

INCREASES
\$440,000
Parking Services
Utility Contribution
\$290,000
Sewer Utility Contribution

DECREASES
\$803,870
General Capital
Reserve to Pay Debt
(Community Center)
\$408,154
Parking Share
of Debt Service

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APPROPRIATIONS HIGHLIGHTS | 2019

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

\$51,984,799

Municipal Operations: **\$32,472,997**
 Other Appropriations: **\$14,224,551**
 Reserve for Uncollected Taxes: **\$5,287,251**

APPROPRIATIONS CAP
\$2,889,560

UNDER MAXIMUM TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AMOUNT OF **\$35,552,557**

HOW CITY DOLLARS ARE ALLOCATED



Public Safety
\$11,323,101
 21.8%



Community Services
\$7,200,546
 13.9%



Pensions/S.S.
\$4,270,720
 8.2%



Insurance
\$3,739,774
 7.2%



General Government
\$1,536,286
 3.0%



Finance
\$1,247,615
 2.4%



Community Programs
\$1,191,610
 2.3%



Utilities
\$1,121,000
 2.2%



Board of Health
\$443,045
 0.9%



Municipal Court
\$399,300
 0.8%

MUNICIPAL PERSONNEL

173 full-time • 25 part-time
 TOTAL Salaries & Wages **\$17,619,072**
 TOTAL Benefits **\$7,771,539**
 % of Benefits to Salaries/Wages **44.11%**
 Average Cost Benefits/Employee **\$39,250**



MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS (Other Expenses)

\$10,583,205—20.36% of Total Appropriations
 .13% increase from 2018

Largest line-item categories: waste, fuel, electricity
 Largest professional: Legal (general, labor, tax appeals)
 Land use planning services
 Largest increase: \$95,135 for shared health services with Westfield

OTHER APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Healthcare Insurance (medical/dental premiums) | \$4.05 million (gross) |
| Pension Obligations | \$3.66 million |
| Reserve for Uncollected Taxes | \$5,287,251 |
| Debt Service Payment | \$4,002,104 |

2019 ESTIMATED TAX LEVIES AND RATES BREAKDOWN

TAX BASE SUMMARY POINTS:

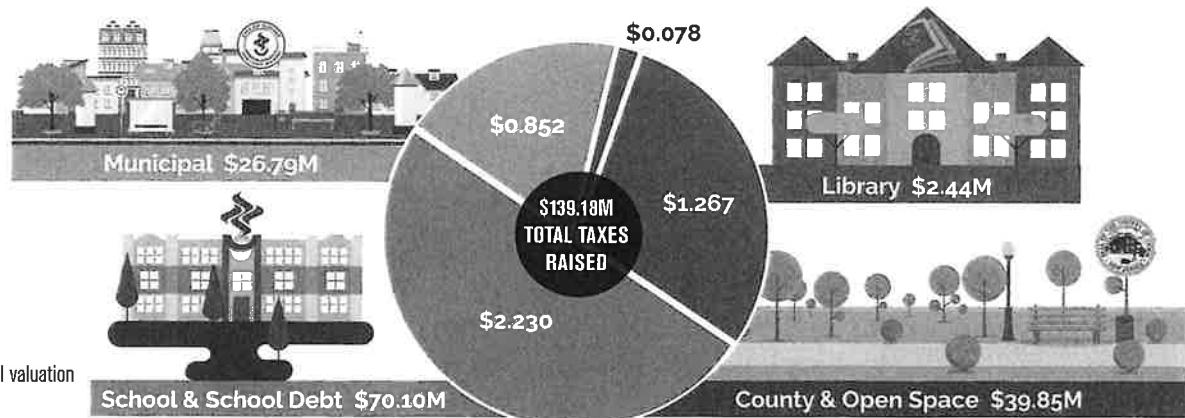
\$3.143 Billion
 Net Assessed Valuation (NAV)
 \$2.608 Billion, or 82.99% of NAV is residential properties
 \$417,500 Average residential valuation assessment

42.77% Equalized valuation

\$976,152 Average residential market value

\$31.7M ↑ in residential, apartment & commercial valuation

\$21.9M ↓ in industrial and vacant land valuation



(TAX RATES PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUATION)

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908.277.9400

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U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
UNION NJ
PERMIT NO. 125

ECRWSS EDDM
POSTAL CUSTOMER
SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY 07901



CAPITAL PROJECTS | 2019

Total Budget – \$17.27M

Infrastructure
Projects:
\$1.91M




Buildings:
\$455,000

Administration:
(Real Estate Acquisition)
\$1,550,000

CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT


Sewer:
\$421,500




Parking
Services:
\$100,000




Vehicle/Equipment:
\$370,000

ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY


Police
Projects:
\$146,000



New
Fire
Headquarters:
\$11,800,000

Other Fire Projects:
\$189,500


Joint Dispatch
Center Project:
\$200,000

DEBT
Equalized Valuation
\$7,299,193,043

Total Net Debt
\$55,217,303

Net Debt to Equalized Valuation
0.756%

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

RECREATION FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS


DCP Projects:
\$60,000


**Strong
Financial Position**
AAA Credit Rating

from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch
Summit is the **ONLY** municipality in
the State of New Jersey to hold the
highest rating from all major
credit rating agencies



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MAYOR
Nora G. Radest

• COMMON COUNCIL •

COUNCIL PRESIDENT
B. David Naidu (Ward 1)

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Mike McTernan

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Marjorie Fox
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Rosemary Licatese

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Marge Gerba

CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
Amy Cairns

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& Verizon Channel 30

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Thursdays and Saturdays on
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