About City of Goleta
The City of Goleta incorporated on February 1, 2002 as a General Law City under the laws of the State of California and operates under the Council-Manager form of government. The City of Goleta encompasses approximately 8 square miles in southern Santa Barbara County and has a population of approximately 32,413. The City is adjacent to the City of Santa Barbara and is approximately 90 miles from Los Angeles. The City has 84.43 FTEs in FY 2019/20 and 85.43 FTEs in FY 2020/21. The City contracts with the County of Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office for Police Services for 34.08 FTEs.

Citywide Budget Overview
The adopted FY 2019/20 budget for all City funds presents a spending plan that anticipates $39.92 million in total citywide revenues and $40.49 million in total expenditures. In FY 2020/21, the City anticipates approximately $51.75 in citywide revenues and $53.57 million in expenditures. The City has incorporated a two-year budget that serves as a planning tool and prioritizes the City’s goals and strategies for the upcoming years. The City maintains over 30 Special Revenues Funds and its primary operating fund, the General Fund. Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed for specific purposes. There are currently 62 ongoing Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects, which includes 34 traffic improvement projects, 17 park projects and 11 facility/other projects. The City also initiated Annual Work Programs to provide a regular, structured mechanism to allow the Council to review and discuss each department’s work commitments and staffing resources.

General Fund Budget Overview
The General Fund is the City’s primary operating fund. It encompasses core services traditionally associated with governments, such as the legislative and administrative functions, neighborhood services, public safety, public works, planning and environmental services. General Fund funding in the amount of $30,000 in FY 2019/20 and $400,000 in FY 2020/21 has been programmed for CIP projects. The City has established General Fund Reserves for the following: contingency reserves, capital equipment, compensated leave, risk management, CalPERS Unfunded Accrued Liability, Other Post Employee Benefits, public facilities, CIP projects, street maintenance, and litigation defense. Each year, a contingency reserve of 33% of operating expenditures is set aside. The total projected “budgetary” Fund Balance at June 30, 2020 stands at $14.94 million and $14.52 million at June 30, 2021.
General Fund Revenue Summary
General Fund Revenues are projected at $28.35 million in FY 2019/20. Revenues for FY 2020/21 are projected at $28.80 million which represents an overall 1.6% increase. The City’s largest revenue source is the Transient Occupancy Tax, which represents 37% of total general fund revenues. The chart below summarizes the General Fund’s projected revenues:

General Fund Expenditure Summary
General Fund expenditures are at $24.9 million for FY 2017/18, and $25.7 million for FY 2018/19, which is an increase of 3.1%. The majority of General Fund expenditures support services provided by Public Safety (police services), General Government, Public Works, and Planning and Environmental Review as illustrated in the chart below: