



Sunnyvale

# Study Issues/Budget Proposals Public Hearing

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# Study Issues/Budget Proposals – What are they?

## What is a Study Issue?

A study issue is a topic of concern that may result in new or revised city policy.

## What is a Budget Proposal?

A budget proposal is a proposal to add a new City service, eliminate a service, or change the level of an existing service.

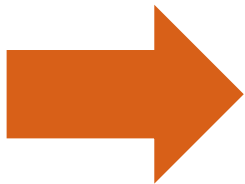
# Who Can Propose a Study Issue or Budget Proposal?

Members of  
the Public

Boards and  
Commissions

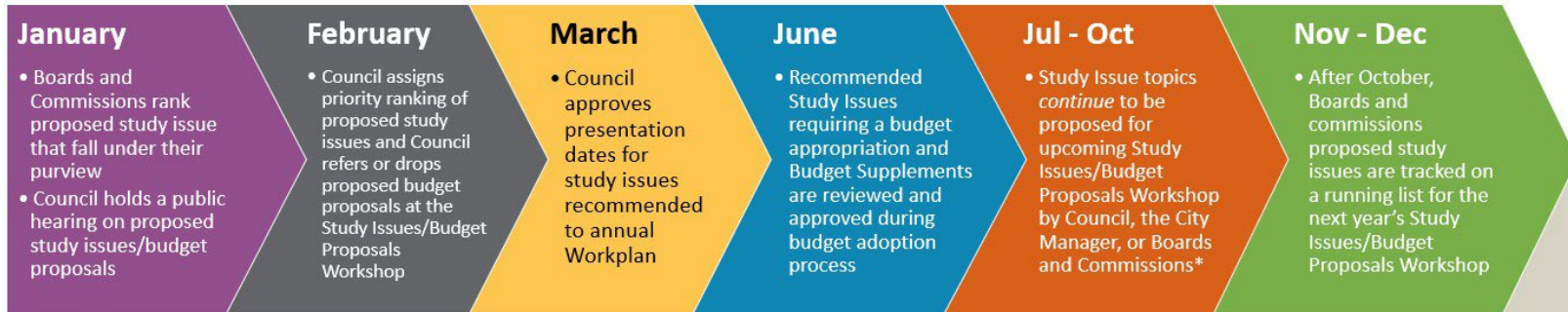
City Staff

City Council



- Both require sponsorship by at least two Councilmembers to move forward in the review process.
- While both can be proposed year-round, Council reviews proposed study issues and budget proposals once a year during the annual Study Issues/Budget Proposals Workshop in February.

# Study Issue/Budget Proposal Process



## Year Round

The public can suggest study issue topics and budget proposals at any time for the City Manager, City Council or a board or commission to sponsor. Staff publishes all City Manager Approved study issue papers and additional workshop materials to the website.

*\*Although study issue topics can be submitted at any time, for an issue or proposal to potentially receive consideration during the next workshop, it should be submitted before October to allow time for staff to prepare materials ahead of the upcoming annual prioritizing process.*

- Provides a method for identifying, prioritizing and analyzing policy issues important to the community.
- Allows staff to balance the work required to thoroughly study an issue with the work required to deliver ongoing City services.

# Key Dates for 2023 Study Issues/Budget Proposals Cycle

Item	Date
Boards and Commission Rank Study Issues	Through the Month of January
Public Hearing Discussion of Proposed Study Issues and Budget Proposals	Tuesday, January 24, 2023
Last Day for Council Sponsorship	Thursday, January 26, 2023
Study Issues/Budget Proposals Workshop	Thursday, February 16, 2023
List of Approved Study Issues Presentation Dates to Council	Tuesday, March 21, 2023
Budget Workshop	Thursday, May 18, 2023

# Status of Continuing Study Issues

2022 Study Issues Review	Qty	Study Issue Year	# of Study Issues In Progress
Total Study Issues in 2022 – New and Continuing	28	2017	1
		2019	3
Study Issues Complete	11	2020	5
		2021	3
Study Issues to be Carried Over in 2023	17	2022	5
		<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

# Proposed Study Issues/Budget Proposals for 2023 Workshop

Proposed Study Issues as of January 10	Qty
Total Proposed Study Issues	33
Study Issue Papers Published Online	31
Study Issue Papers in Review	2
Study Issues with Support Recommendation	22
Study Issues with Defer Recommendation	1
Study Issues with Drop Recommendation	8
Study Issues with No Recommendation	0
Budget Proposals	1



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Thank You

Questions?