



Sunnyvale

# Study Issues/ Budget Issues Public Hearing

January 14, 2020



# Study Issues/Budget Issues – 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 Issue?

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

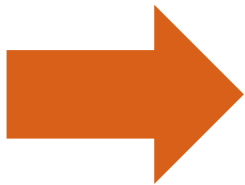
# Who Can Propose a Study or Budget Issue?

Members of  
the Public

Boards and  
Commissions

City Staff

City Council



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

# Study Issue / Budget Issue Process

- The study issue and budget issues process provides a method for identifying, prioritizing and analyzing policy issues important to the community.
- Process also allows staff to balance the work required to thoroughly study an issue with the work required to deliver ongoing City services.

## January

- Boards and commissions rank proposed study issue that fall under their purview
- Council holds a public hearing on proposed study issues

## February

- Council assigns priority ranking of proposed study issues at the Study/Budget Issues Workshop

## March

- Council approves presentation dates for study issues recommended to the annual Workplan

## June

- Recommended Study/Budget issues requiring a budget appropriation are reviewed and approved during the budget adoption process

# Key Dates for 2020 Study Issues Cycle

Item	Date
Boards and Commission Rank Study Issues	Through the Month of January
Public Hearing Discussion of Proposed Study Issues and Budget Issue	Tuesday, January 14, 2020
Last Day for Council Sponsorship – Council Strategic Session	Friday, February 7, 2020
Study Issues & Budget Issue Workshop	Thursday, February 27, 2020
List of Approved Study Issues Presentation Dates to Council	Tuesday, March 31, 2020
Budget Workshop	Thursday, May 21, 2020

# Status of Continuing Study Issues

2019 Study Issues Review	Qty
Total Study Issues in 2019 – New and Continuing	28
Study Issues Complete	7
Study Issues To Be Complete by Spring 2020	10
Study Issues to be Carried Over in 2020	21

Study Issue Year	# of Study Issues In Progress
2011	1
2014	2
2016	1
2017	2
2018	2
2019	13

# Proposed Study Issues for 2020 Workshop

Proposed Study Issues as of January 10	Qty
Total Proposed Study Issues	34
Study Issue Papers Published Online	33
Study Issue Papers in Review	1
Study Issues with Support Recommendation	11
Study Issues with Defer Recommendation	4
Study Issues with Drop Recommendation	19
Budget Issues	0



Thank You

Questions?