



City of Robstown

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State of the City

2020

# Cost Saving Measures

	2019-2020 Approved Total Salary	2020-2021 Approved Total Salary	Salary Savings	Benefit Savings
City Secretary	\$ 146,572.27	\$ 94,072.41	\$ 52,499.86	\$ 3,002.99
Finance Director	\$ 75,556.41	\$ 72,072.41	\$ 3,484.00	\$ 199.28
Facilities and Fleet Director	\$ 74,472.21	\$ -	\$ 74,472.21	\$ 16,242.77
Business and Financial Admin. Asst	\$ 47,611.69	\$ -	\$ 47,611.69	\$ 12,453.42
Prosecutor/Legal Council	\$ 44,730.81	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 30,330.81	\$ 12,047.00
Police Chief	\$ 90,574.01	\$ 85,572.39	\$ 5,001.62	\$ 286.09
Fire Chief/OEM	\$ 103,542.89	\$ 82,686.89	\$ 20,856.00	\$ 1,192.96
Assistant Fire Chief	\$ 69,886.79	\$ -	\$ 69,886.79	\$ 15,595.88
Health Inspector	\$ 61,547.29	\$ 29,360.00	\$ 32,187.29	\$ 11,734.38
Mayor	\$ 5,671.68	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 3,871.68	
6 Council Members	\$ 30,430.08	\$ 21,600.00	\$ 8,830.08	\$ 3,980.30
Quality Control Lead/Assistant to Mayor	\$ 47,559.61	\$ -	\$ 47,559.61	\$ 12,446.07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 798,155.74</b>	<b>\$ 401,564.10</b>	<b>\$ 396,591.64</b>	<b>\$ 89,181.15</b>
			<b>\$485,772.79</b>	



# Under collected property and sales tax

	Budget	ACTUAL	Over/under collected
PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 2,393,192.00	\$ 2,098,469.00	\$ (294,723.00)
CITY SALES TAX	\$ 1,650,000.00	\$ 1,387,445.13	\$ (262,554.87)
<b>Total</b>	\$ 4,069,692.00	\$ 3,485,914.13	\$ (557,277.87)

# Audit Status

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- **Last audited Fiscal year 2016-2017**
- **Fiscal year 2017-2018**
  - August of 2018, catastrophic physical server crash
  - 11 months of financial data lost
- **Fiscal year 2018-2019 and 2019-2020**
  - Accounting entries and reconciliations continue
  - Current financials are up to date

# Outdated Ordinances

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- City Secretary's office is working with the all the departments on updating ordinances.
- Have not been updated for over 20 years.
- Ordinances currently being worked on to be updated are impound fees, building inspections fee and permit fees.
- Ordinance 1095 (Solid Waste) - Last ordinance change was 04/16/18.
  - City of Robstown has trash pick up twice a week, while other cities only have once a week.
- Ordinance 1092 (EMS) - Last time ordinance was updated was in 2010

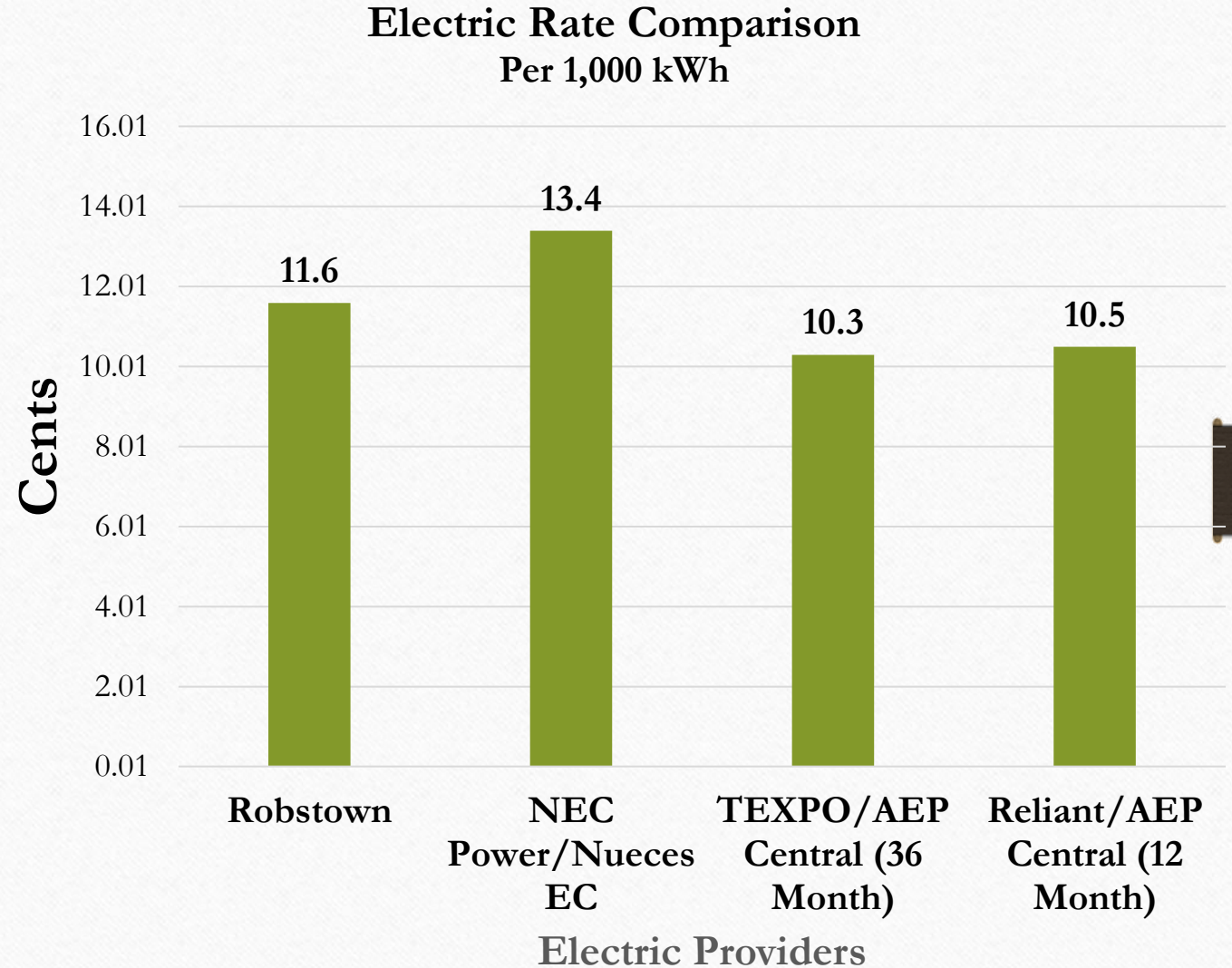


# Robstown Utility Systems

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## Robstown Utility Systems

- **Monthly discount:**
  - 5% of electric, wastewater, and gas total if paid by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month
- **Holiday credits:**
  - 25% of electric total (based on 1,000 kWh consumption)
- **No late fees charged**



# CODE ENFORCEMENT

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# Adopt a Home Program

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- 21 Homes adopted
- Properties have been mowed at least 3 times each since March 2020

606 Lopez  
301 W Ave C  
700 Washington  
437 Western  
307 W Ave D  
E Ave E / Mays  
218 W Ave C

146 W Ave F  
324 W AVE B  
203 E Ave B  
305 W Ave D  
1302 Kansas  
521 W Ave D  
226 W Ave C

120 W Ave J  
1019 Ruben Chavez  
2017 Western  
Upshaw / E Ave E  
604 E Ave E  
106 W Main  
613 Washington

# Code Enforcement

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- Abandoned Homes : 132 homes (1/5 of city inventoried)
- Vacant Lots: 94
- Pending Law Suites: 41
- Tax Sale Properties listed on Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP website : 39
- Taxes not collected on these properties: \$ 1,078,186.58

# Code Enforcement Activity 2020

Violations	
Debris blocked by vehicle	2
Health Permits or Licensing	136
Itenary Merchant Violations	2
Securing of unoccupied buildings	17
Notice to vacate, repair or demolish	12
Placement of Brush in Street	2
Heavy brush and yard waste	6
Placement of rubbish piles/collection	9
Debris Schedule Violation	135
High Grass & Weeds	583
Minimum Facility Standards	1
Abandoned Homes	250
Yards used for open storage	47
Plumbing Violations Sewer Overflows	25
Fire Hazard	72
Bee Calls	6
Vehicles in ROW current documentation	12
Construction and remodeling	14
Certiacte of Occupancy Violations	6
Tires Prohibited / Tire Collection	1
Illegal Dumping	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,338</b>

**Citations Issued**

**656**

**Re-Inspections**

**667**

**Filed in Court**

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# OPERATION CRACKDOWN

- **OBJECTIVE OF OPERATION:**
  - Assist communities to knock down properties that are proven drug/crime nexus locations.
- **PROCESS**

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  - Structures are identified (police, border patrol, building dept. code enforcement, citizens)
  - Certification of crime activity by Police and Building Department.
  - Property owners are notified for voluntary consent for participation in the program
  - Environmental clearance (SHPO)
  - City council approval
  - Demolition
- **COST**
  - NO cost to the owners
  - City must pay for asbestos testing and abatement, haul-off and landfill costs
  - Cost in 2017 - \$375,000 for 40 structures
  - Cost in 2018 - \$281,250 for 30 structures
- The city must commit to at least 25 homes for a mission to be considered.

# PUBLIC WORKS

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# Boys & Girls Club Building

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- Building in need of repairs, AC units in Gym and building will need replacing.
- Roof on Gym and building will need patching and minor repairs.
- Currently getting quotes for the repairs of the buildings.
- One of the major factors that caused the Boys & Girls Club to shut down in Robstown was that it was not generating revenue due to the competition with the 21st Century.
- We are currently looking into the Texas Park and Wildlife grant specifications for the usage of the building.



# Public Works

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## Departments

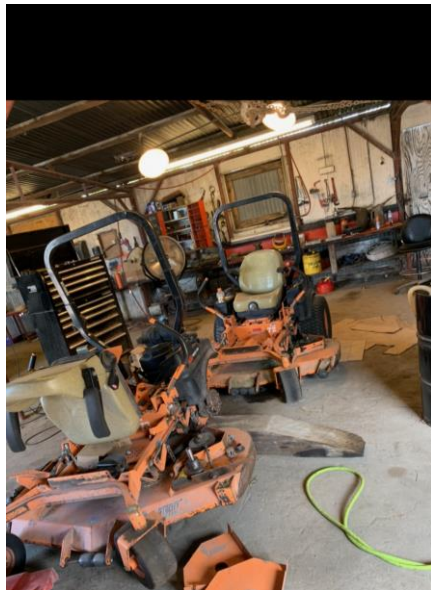
- Parks (2 employees)
- Administration (3 employees)
- Street (5 employees)
- Sanitation (5 employees)
- Garage (1 employee)
- 16 total employees

## Parks

- Memorial Park
- Beatriz Tagle Perez Park
- Kiwana Park
- Diaz Park
- Portella Park
- Bauer Park
- Avalon Park
- Massey Holiday Park
- Centennial Plaza

**New Approved  
Equipment Purchases:**

- Three, 60" zero turn mowers



# Public Works Vehicles & Equipment

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# Public Works

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## Brush

- City is divided into 6 zones
- Operation is done by 2006 and 2009 self-loading brush trucks.
- Council approved the purchase a 2021 self-loading brush truck

## Street Maintenance

- 5 employees that divide into 2 patching crews
- 80% proactively and 20% reactively.



# Street Repairs

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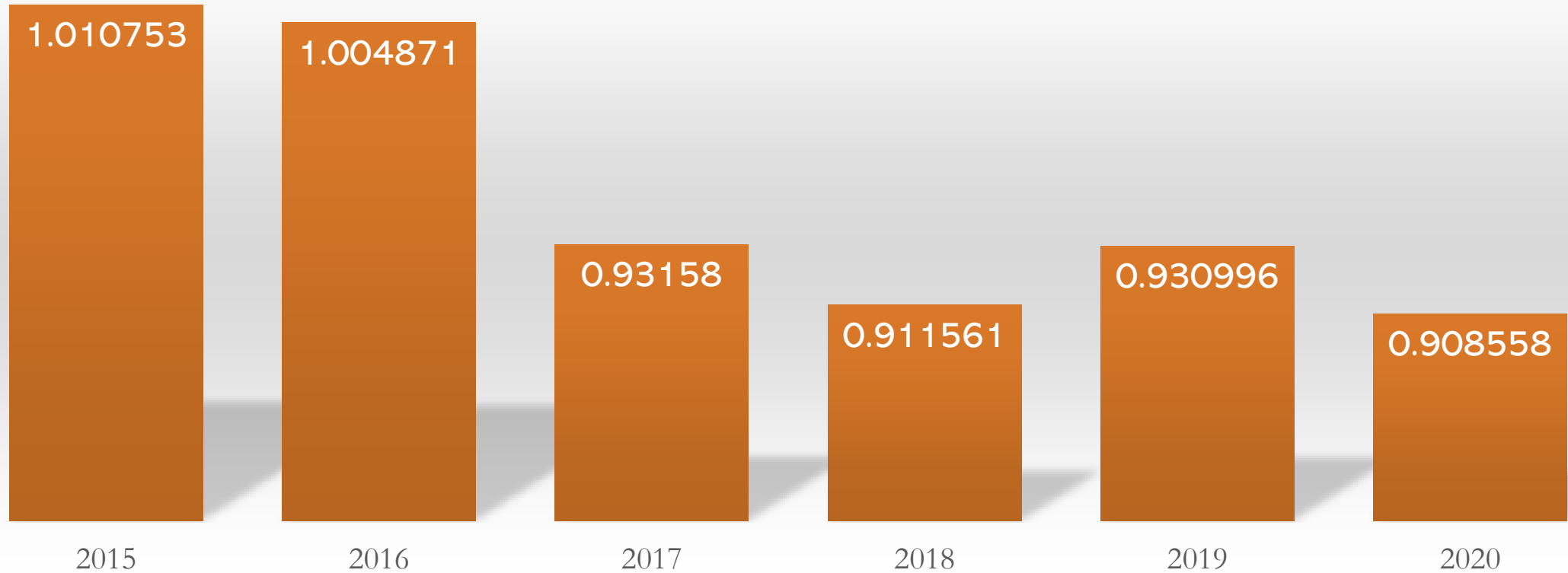
- 7th Street – Improvements consist of sub surface drainage, curb and gutter, subgrade treatment, base reconstruction and paving.
  - Seal bids were overbudget
  - Council approved for Public works to construct the project in house for \$120,000.
  - Current status: 66% of the curb and gutter has been completed.
- City has allocated \$125,000 for street improvements.

# FINANCE

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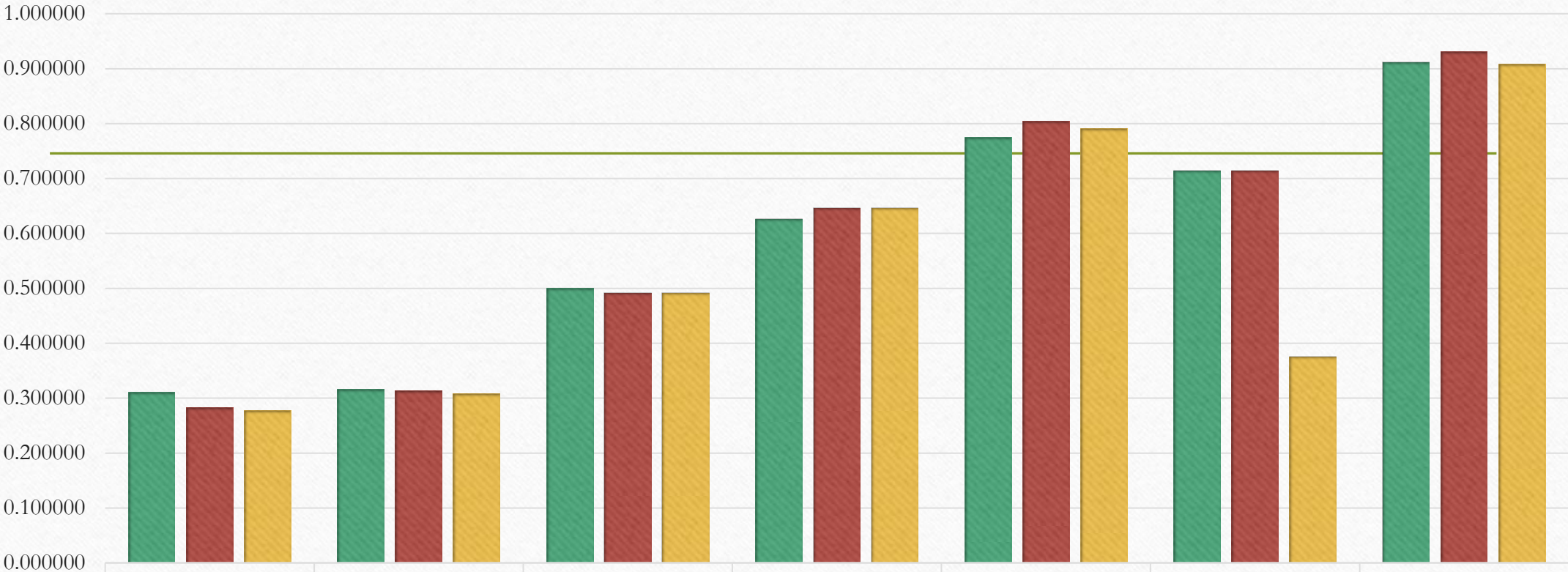
# Robstown Tax Rate 2015 - 2020

■ Tax Rate (for each \$100 valuation property)





# Approved Tax Rates 2018-2020

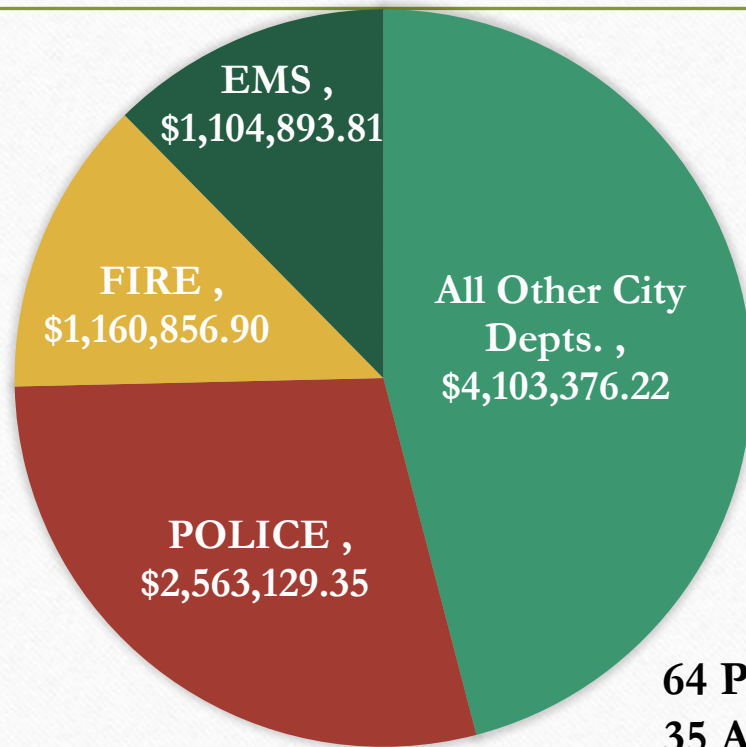


2018	Port Aransas	Nueces County	Agua Dulce	Corpus Christi	Bishop	Driscoll	Robstown
	0.310906	0.316338	0.500000	0.626264	0.774578	0.713954	0.911561
2019	0.283112	0.313088	0.491292	0.646264	0.804217	0.713954	0.930996
2020	0.277346	0.307714	0.491292	0.646264	0.791041	0.375409	0.908558

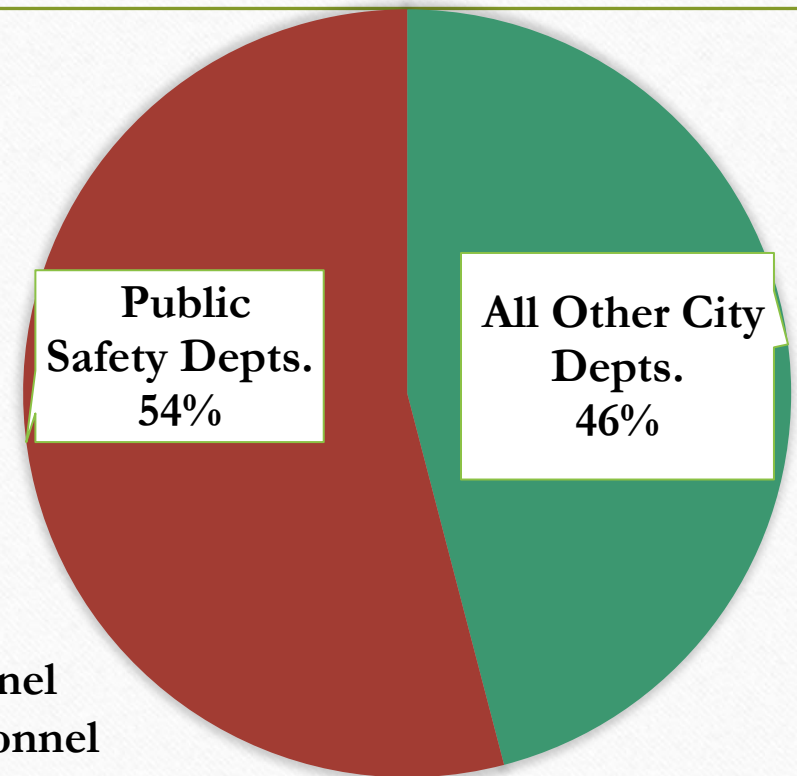
Jurisdiction	Discount	Total	Homestead	Over 65	Disabled
Nueces County	NO	0.307714	20%-\$5,000Min	62,500	62,500
City of Agua Dulce	NO	0.491292	20%-\$5,000Min	60,000	60,000
City of Bishop	YES	0.791041	0	5,000	3,000
City of Corpus Christi	NO	0.646264	10%-5,000Min	50,000	50,000
City of Driscoll	NO	0.375409	0	0	0
City of Port Aransas	NO	0.277346	20%-\$5,000Min	20,000	20,000
City of Robstown	NO	0.908558	0	10,000	0

## 2020 Tax Rates and Exemptions for Nueces County

# Public Safety Departments VS. All Other City Departments



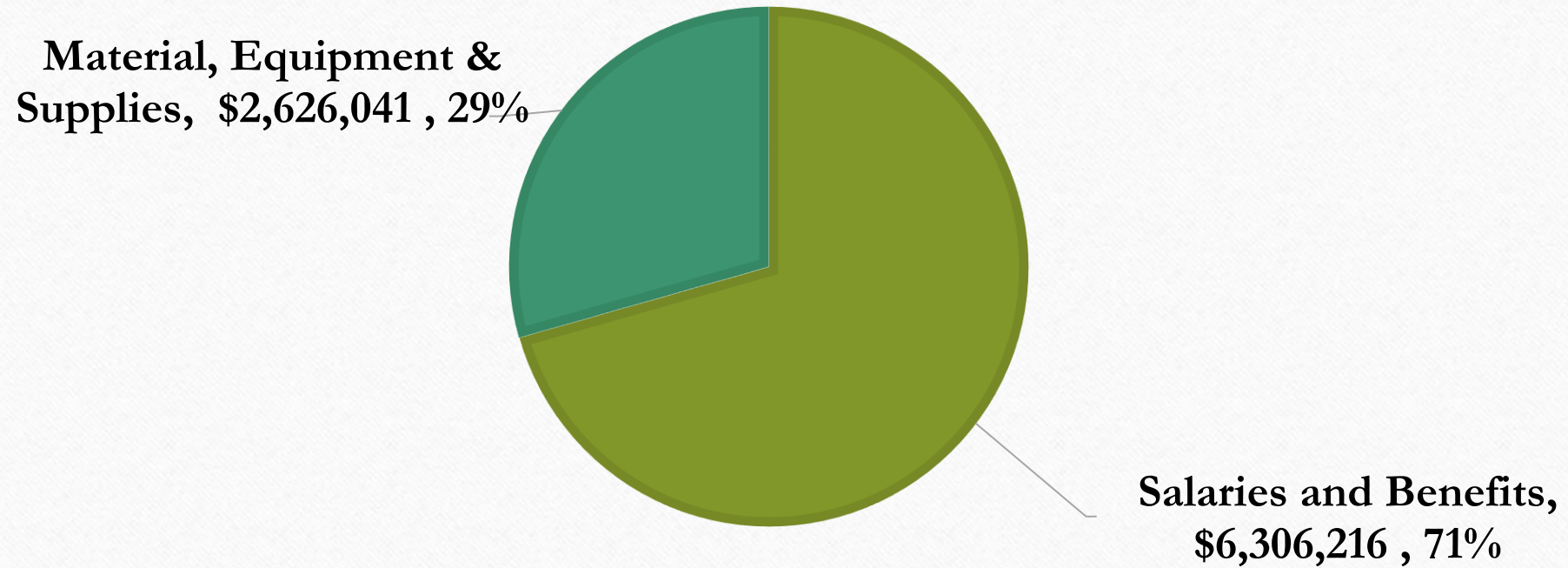
64 Public Safety Personnel  
35 All other Depts Personnel





# Total City Budget - \$8,932,256

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# Total City Bond Debt

Description of Debt	Inception Year	Current Balance	Annual Payment	Final Payment
<b>City of Robstown-property taxes</b>				
General Obligation Refunding Bonds - Series 2009	2009	\$9,597,457	\$718,226	3/1/2033
General Obligations Refunding Bonds - Series 2013	2013	\$9,410,471	\$295,531	3/1/2052
General Obligation Refunding Bonds - Series 2014	2014	\$4,366,352	\$449,350	3/1/2029
State Infrastructure Bank Loan (SIB) 2020-refinance	2020	\$328,388	\$23,878	6/15/2034
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$23,702,668</b>	<b>\$1,486,985</b>	
Property Taxes Collected			\$3,210,119	
Bond Annual Payments			\$1,486,985	
Property Taxes Remaining for Operations			\$1,723,134	

# RIDC Bond Debt

<b>Sales Tax Debt</b>	<b>Inception Year</b>	<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>Annual Payment</b>	<b>Final Payment</b>
<b>Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2014</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>\$2,280,543.00</b>	<b>\$155,990.00</b>	<b>12/1/2026</b>
<b>Sales Tax &amp; Refunding Bonds, Ser 2012A</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$5,743,753.00</b>	<b>\$333,438.00</b>	<b>12/1/2031</b>
<b>Sales Tax Revenue &amp; Refunding Bonds, Series 2012B</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$688,445.00</b>	<b>\$457,044.00</b>	<b>12/1/2023</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$8,712,741.00</b>	<b>\$946,472.00</b>	
<b>Total City and RIDC</b>		<b>\$32,415,409.00</b>	<b>\$2,433,457.00</b>	



# Additional Debt

Loan Schedule - part of General Fund not I&S		
DESCRIPTION	Annual Payment	Final Payment
Ambulance	\$ 34,872.48	12/15/2021
Fire Truck	\$ 70,000.00	2/26/2023
Residential Garbage Truck	\$ 66,800.00	2/26/2023
Police Vehicles	\$ 57,705.48	4/19/2023
Cardiac Monitors	\$ 19,508.16	1/4/2025
Stretchers	\$ 11,853.00	6/3/2025

# GRANTS

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# Grants Administration

## Fire Ambulance and Services Truck (FAST) Grant - \$500,000

- New Fire Truck
- New Ambulance
- Match cost - \$5,058

## GLO Homes

- 60 homes have been built in the city

## GLO Disaster Hurricane Harvey Funding - \$100,000

- Three generators for public safety buildings
  - Police
  - Fire
  - EMS
- Match cost \$10,000



# Grants 2019-current

2019

Homeland Security Grant Program OPSG FY 2018	\$75,000
Local Border Security Program FY 2020	\$30,000
DJ17-FY20 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)Program (PD servers)	\$52,305
Bulletproof Vest Partnership FY 2019	\$4,435
Edward Byrne Memorial JAG FY 2019 (radios)	\$13,340
Flint Hills Resources 2019 Helping Heroes Grant	\$3,200
Fire, Ambulance, and Service Truck Fund	\$500,000
FEMA DR 4332 - Debris	\$216,820
FEMA DR 4332 - Utilities	\$28,640
FEMA DR 4332 - Direct Admin Costs	\$22,609
FEMA DR 4332 - Emergency Protective Measures	\$206,716
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,153,065</b>

2020

GLO Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program	\$100,000
Border Zone Fire Departments (BZFD)	\$ 67,900
Homeland Security Grant Program OPSG FY 2019	\$80,000
Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program	\$42,981
Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) (cybersecurity services)	\$18,000
DJ19 FY21 Justice Assistance Grant Program (radar unit, supplies)	\$11,623
2020 Coronavirus Relief Fund	\$616,385
Local Border Security Program FY 2021	\$20,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 936,889</b>

# Upcoming

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## Nueces County Airport



## Robstown Inland Port Property





# Street Repair Options

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## Street Maintenance Fee

City Utility Customers	Monthly Fee	Total Per Year
4180	\$ 1.00	\$ 50,160.00
4180	\$ 2.00	\$ 100,320.00
4180	\$ 3.00	\$ 150,480.00
4180	\$ 4.00	\$ 200,640.00
4180	\$ 5.00	\$ 250,800.00

## Tax rate Increase

- For \$6M in repairs:
  - 2022 Tax Rate: **\$1.101270**
  - Increase of **0.19 cents**

# City Properties

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- **Former Rogers Delinted**
  - Between US Business 77 and I69,
  - 39.03 acres
- **Inland Port**
  - Ruben Chavez Rd.
  - 175.06 Acres
- **Diaz Park** (former FEMA Safe Room Site)
  - Ligustrum Ave.
  - 3.9 acres
- **Massey Park**
  - Avenue J
  - A portion of the property was sold and will be closing in November
  - Start time for construction be estimated in the end of May with Dollar Tree opening in July 2021, the building will be about 10,000 Sq ft.
  - Estimated 29,964 sq ft. remaining



**THANK YOU!**