

# City of Grand Junction 2015 Budget

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# Policy Direction

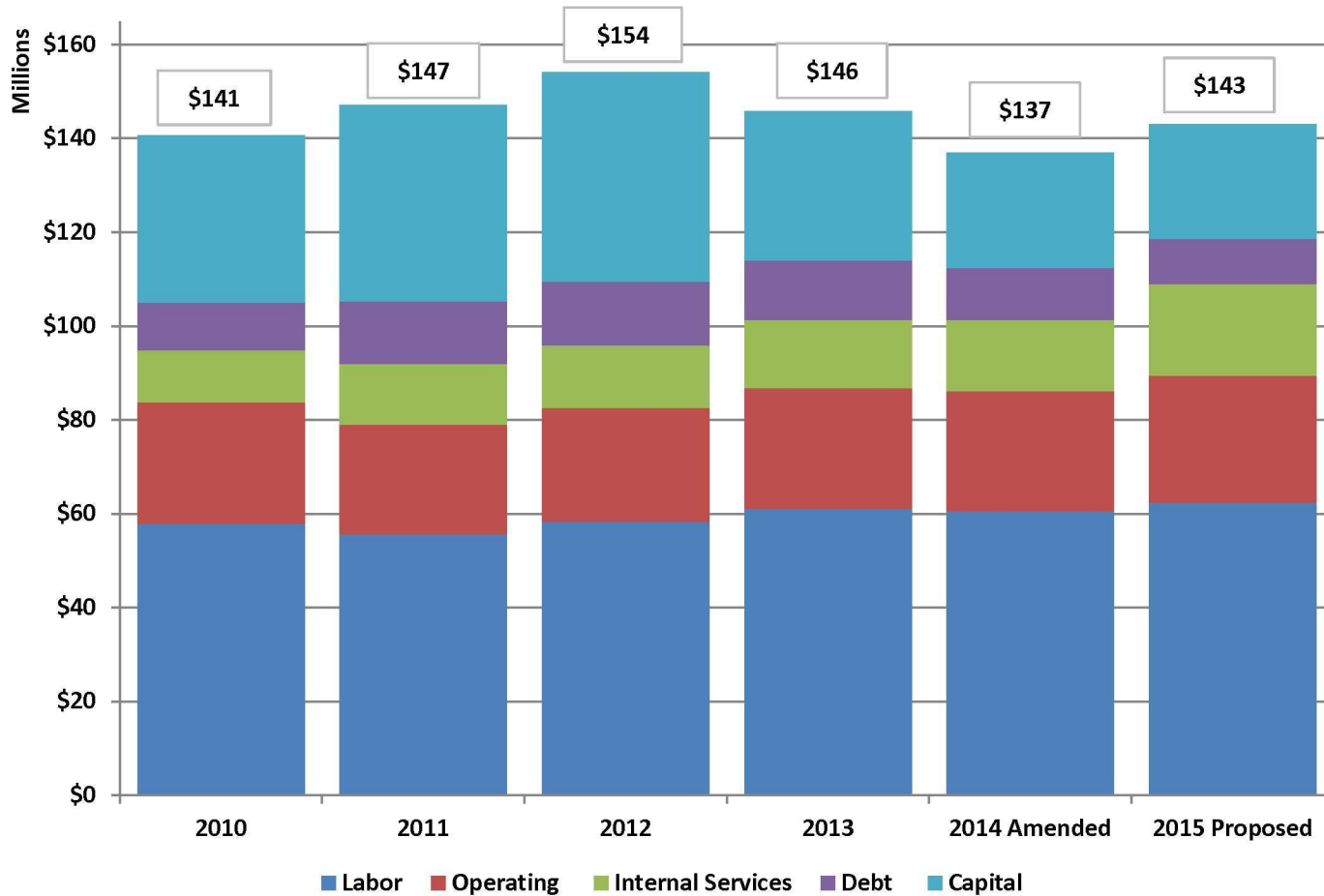
- City Council and Community areas of emphasis:  
Public Safety, Infrastructure, Economic Development
- Growth in sales tax for 2015 projected at 3%
- \$18.5 million as a total reserve in General Fund
  - \$11.9 million in unrestricted funds (after internal loans)
- Engage the Council in balancing the budget for both capital and operations with amounts delivered beyond the minimum reserves
- Maximize use of resources to put the Council's Economic Development Plan to work in the community through a strategy of direct involvement, staffing, and funding
- Look beyond just the current year

# Building the Budget

## City Council Budget Sessions

- June 30<sup>th</sup>, July 14<sup>th</sup>, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Department Presentations
  - Utility Rates
- October 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Capital and Economic Development
- November 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - TABOR Calculation
  - General Fund
  - Labor Budget
- November 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Enterprise and Internal Service Funds
  - Fund Balance Worksheet
  - Budget Detail By Fund

# Budget History



# 2015 Budget Overview

- \$143 million Total Spending Budget
  - 4.4% increase from 2014
- Operating & Internal Services
  - Operating expense has decreased and internal service expense has increased compared to 2014:
    - 12% increase in Information Technology charges due to implementation and upgrades of new software systems and infrastructure (primarily public safety) over the last three years
    - 13% increase in Fleet charges due to charging full accrual rate after reaching target fund balance
    - Expansion of Fleet services to Grand Valley Transit
    - Establishment of self-insured dental program
    - Establishment of Facilities Management Fund

# 2015 Budget Overview

- Labor
  - 3% increase in total labor budget compared to 2014
    - Partial 2014 market wage implementation
      - Average wage increase of 2%
    - Mid-Year assessment for remainder of market
  - Increase in Health Insurance Costs of 2.96%
    - Council approved paying employee's share of increase
  - 4 New Positions
    - 2 in Fleet funded by Grand Valley Transit contract
    - 2 in Sewer Fund operations
    - Also approval of extending parks patrol by 4 months
- 13% Decrease in Debt Service
  - 2015 is first year of full benefit from refinancing Riverside Parkway debt to a lower interest rate

# 2015 Budget Overview (continued)

- Capital
  - Police Annex Planning
  - Investigative Equipment
  - Fire Station 4 Relocation
  - Public Safety Training Facility Water Infrastructure
  - Street Overlays
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Street Reconstruction Planning
  - Horizon Drive Interchange

# 2015 Budget Overview (continued)

- Capital
  - North Avenue Streetscape
  - Leach Creek Flood Control Dam
  - Community Hospital Transportation Improvements
  - Las Colonias First Phase Development
  - Las Colonias Park Amphitheatre
  - Orchard Mesa Pool Sliding Glass Door Replacement
  - Water & Sewer Systems

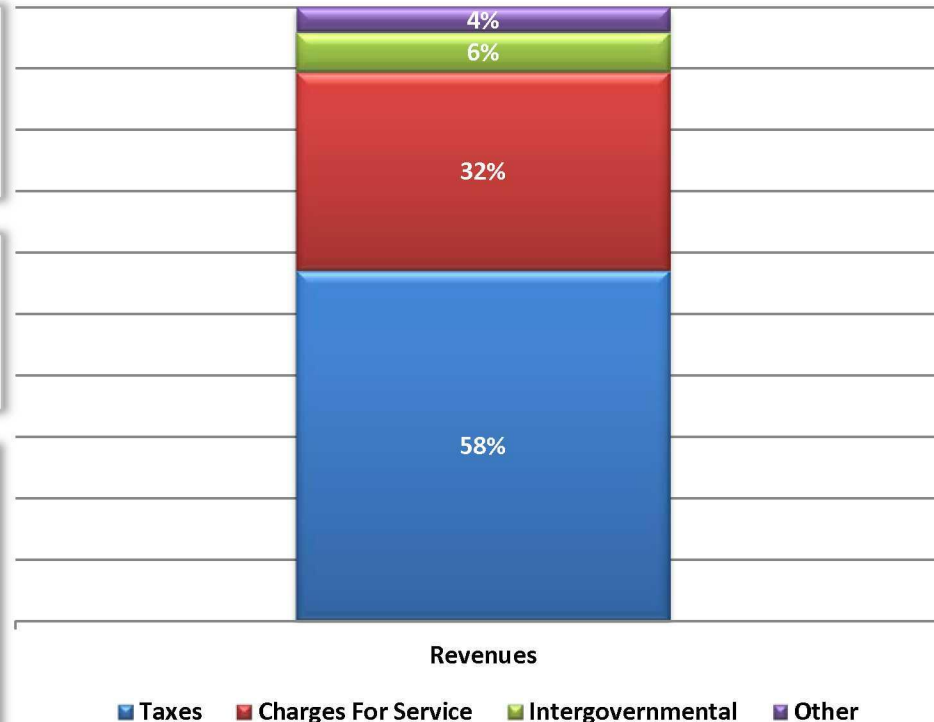


# 2015 Source of Revenue

**Other revenue** is made up of fines, tap charges, licenses, permits, and interest.

**Intergovernmental** revenue is State or Federal grant revenues.

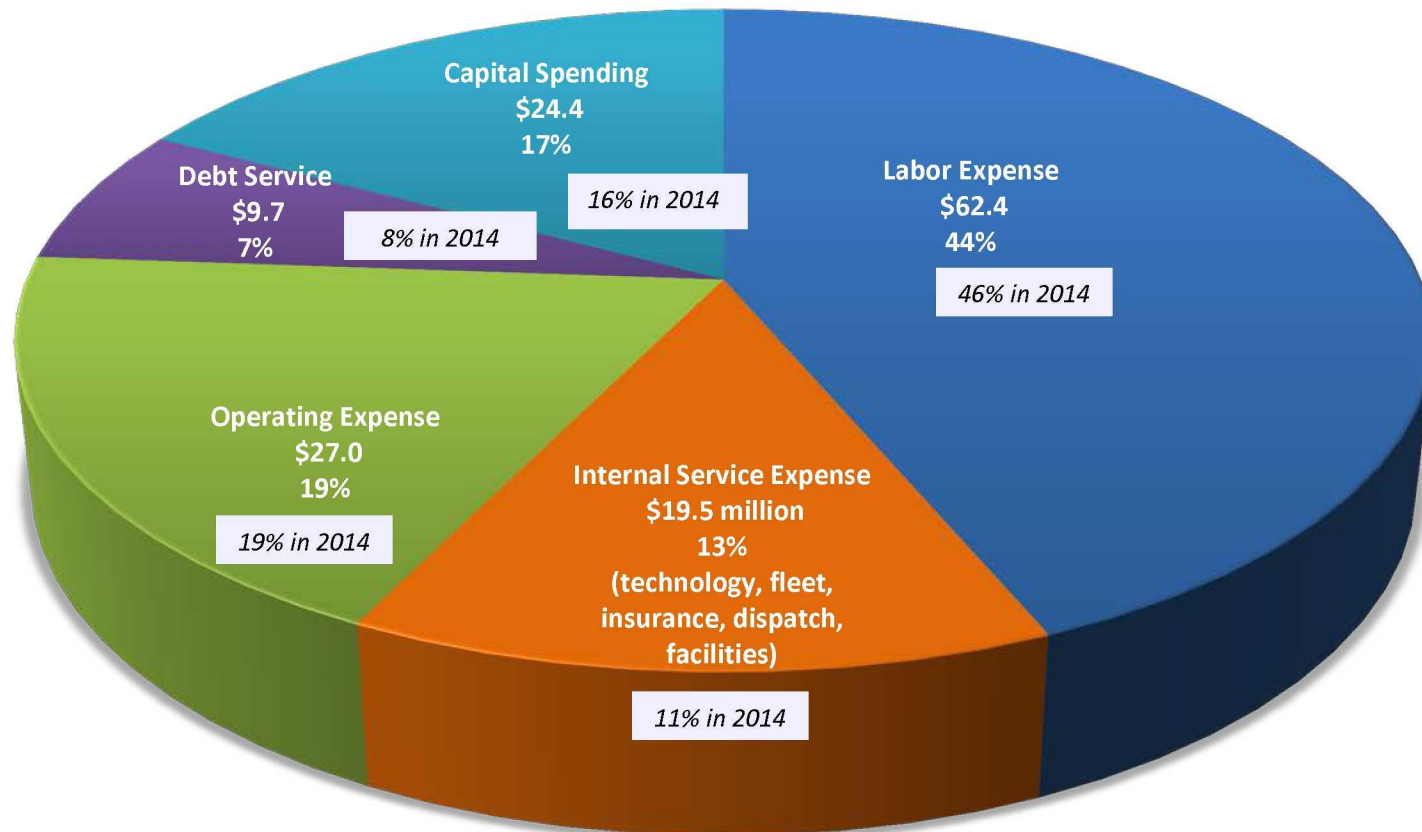
**The majority of Charges for Service** comes from utility fees, rural fire district contract, ambulance transports, and the E911 surcharge.



**Nearly 3/4 of Taxes** are from Sales and Use Taxes. Also includes property, lodging, highway users, severance, and franchise tax.

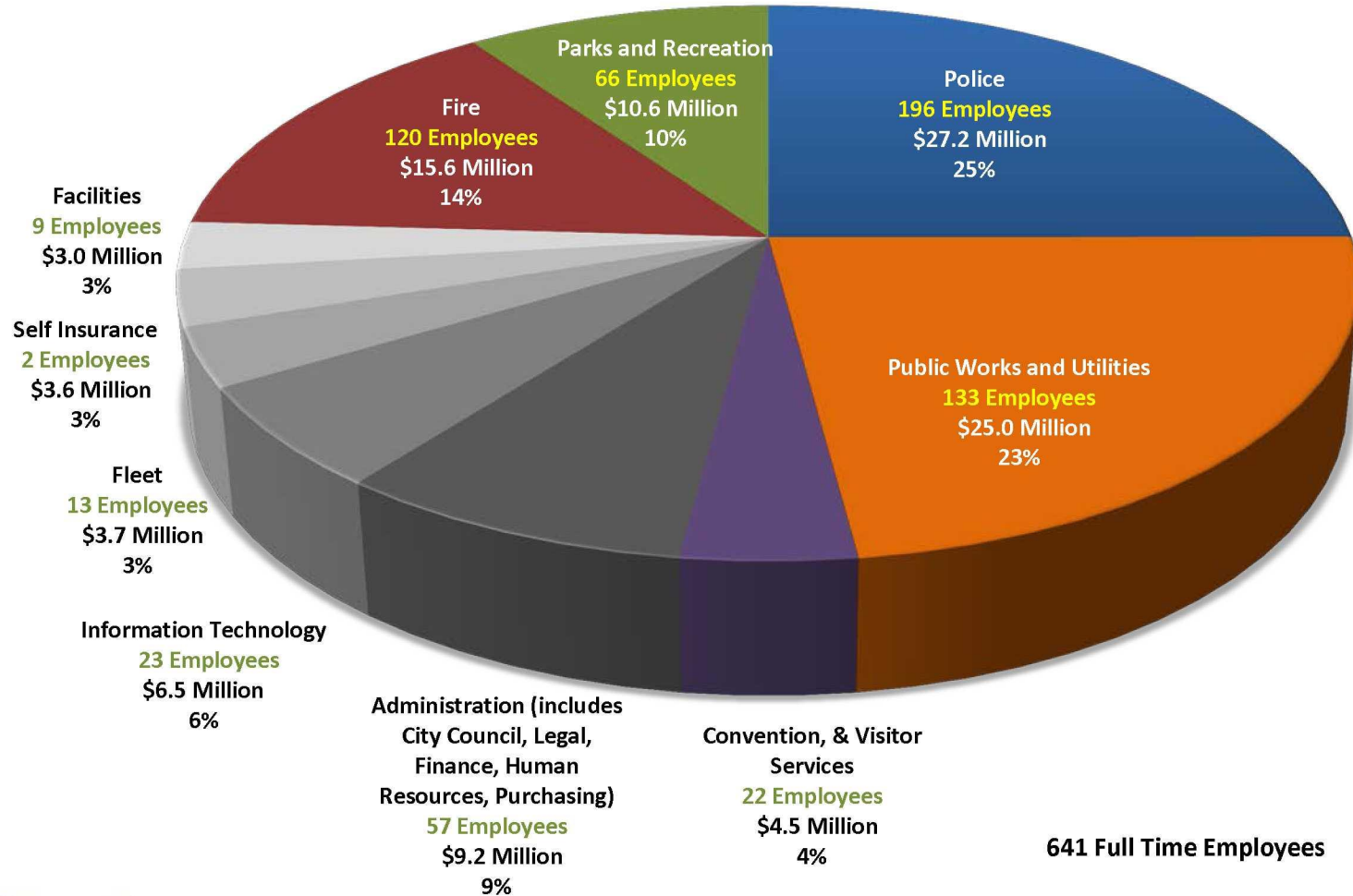
# Spending By Type

2015 Budget-Total \$143 Million

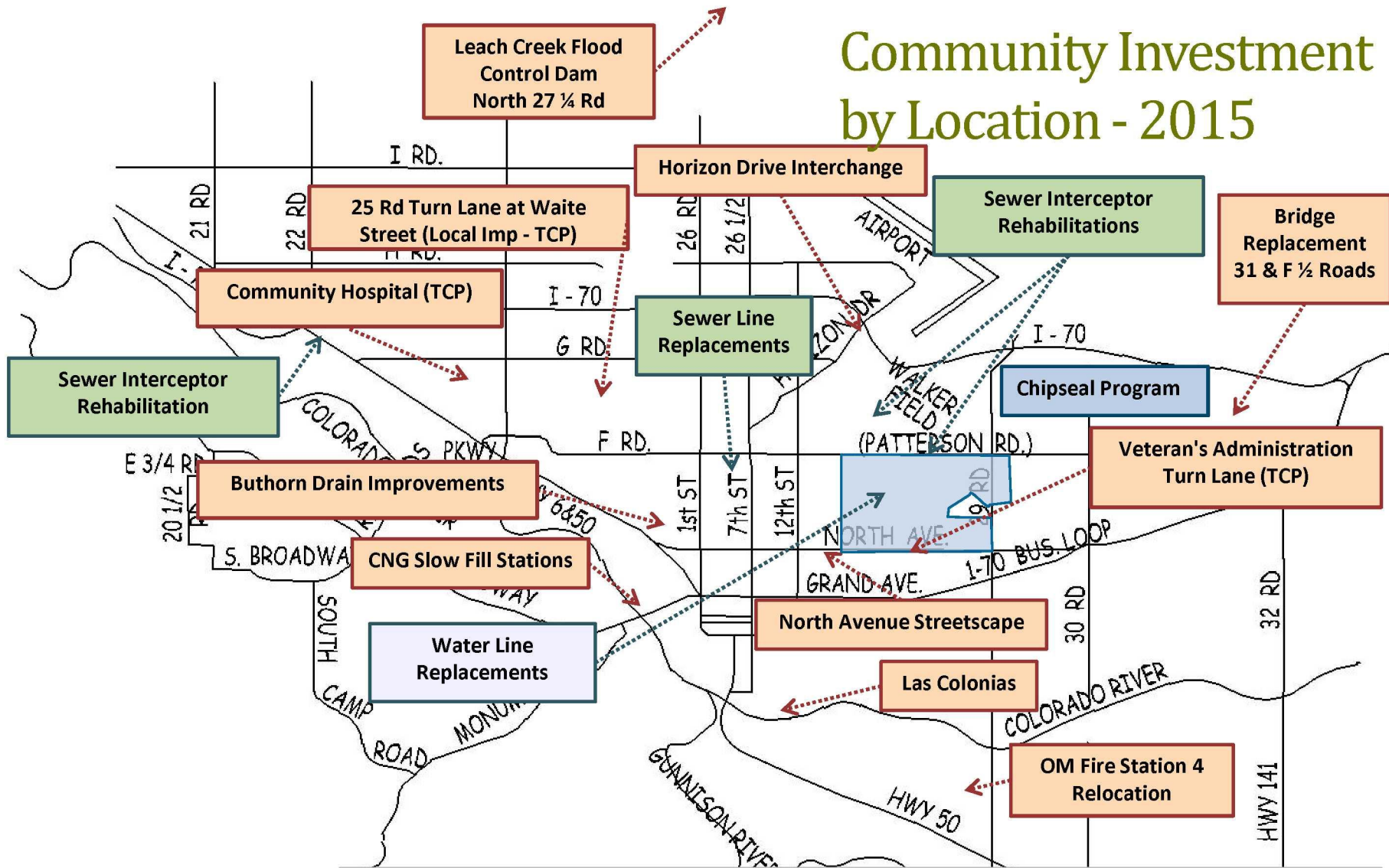


# Spending By Department

2015 Operating Budget-\$108.9 Million

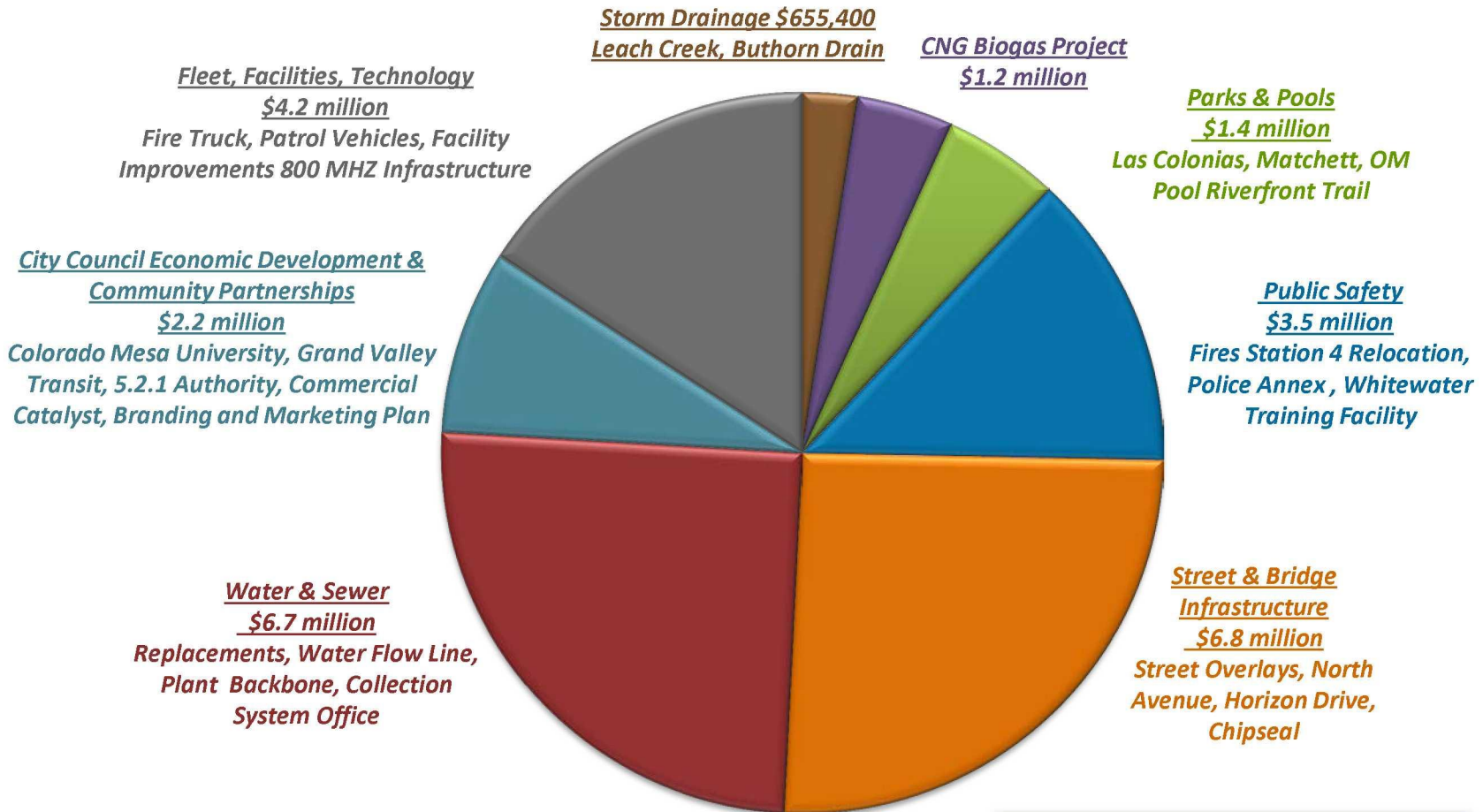


# Community Investment by Location - 2015



**Other Improvements:** Kannah Creek intake improvements, Whitewater Hill training facility water infrastructure, street overlays and curb-gutter-sidewalk improvements, traffic signal equipment upgrades, OM pool sliding glass door replacements, skate park improvements, and Riverfront Trail repair. Start design work on 1<sup>st</sup> Street (North to Ouray), Orchard Ave (Normandy to 29 Rd), B 1/2 Road Overpass at US50 Multimodal Conversion, and Police Department Annex.

# 2015 Community Investment



**Total Investment**  
**\$26.6 Million**



# Question & Answer

**Rich Englehart – City Manager**

**John Shaver – City Attorney**

**Tim Moore – Deputy City Manager**

**Greg Lanning– Public Works and Utilities Director**

**Debbie Kovalik –Convention & Visitor Services Director**

**John Camper – Police Chief**

**Rob Schoeber – Parks & Recreation Director**

**Ken Watkins – Fire Chief**

**Claudia Hazelhurst – Human Resources Director**

**Jodi Romero – Financial Operations Director**