

CITY COUNCIL

RESOURCES	ACTUAL FY04	ACTUAL FY05	BUDGET FY06	PROJECTED FY06	RECOMMENDED FY07
Personnel Expenses	\$ 751,284	\$ 900,448	\$ 905,407	\$ 847,571	\$ 1,024,098
Operating Expenses	<u>85,726</u>	<u>75,790</u>	<u>139,131</u>	<u>101,956</u>	<u>101,421</u>
Operating Budget	\$ 837,010	\$ 976,238	\$ 1,044,538	\$ 949,527	\$ 1,125,519
Capital Outlay	<u>12,114</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,472</u>	<u>2,472</u>	<u>2,472</u>
Budget Allocation	\$ 849,124	\$ 976,238	\$ 1,047,010	\$ 951,999	\$ 1,127,991
Authorized Positions	15	16	16	16	16

City council, the legislative branch of city government, operates in accordance with the provisions of the 1974 Revised Charter of the City of Tampa. It is responsible for enacting ordinances and resolutions that the Mayor of Tampa administers as the city's chief executive. The council's goals are to provide responsible legislation, ensure the safe, efficient and fair operation of city government and provide for the general health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Tampa.

Seven council members are elected by the voters of Tampa to serve for terms of four years. Council members for districts #1, #2 and #3 are elected at-large and those from districts #4 through #7 represent individual districts. The term of office for the current council members will expire in March of 2007.

City council meetings are held every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in council chambers (located on the third floor of historic city hall) to enact legislation pertaining to general city business. Public hearings on land rezoning issues are held the second and fourth Thursday of the month in the evening. Alcoholic beverage zoning hearings are held the third Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m. Other special meetings are scheduled as the need arises. All meetings are open to the public to participate in the legislative process.

Council members also serve individually as members of various boards such as the Public Transportation Commission, the Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Tampa Sports Authority, the Hillsborough River Technical Advisory Council, Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, the Florida Aquarium, Tampa Historic Streetcar, Inc., the Lowry Park Zoological Society of Tampa, Inc. and the Tampa-Hillsborough Expressway Authority.