



AGENDA

Infrastructure Task Force Ad Hoc Policy Committee

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

4:00 p.m.

Aurora Room

15151 E. Alameda Parkway

Aurora, CO 80012

Council Member Curtis Gardner, Co-Chair
Council Member Françoise Bergan, Co-Chair

Executive Staff: Laura Perry, Deputy City Manager
Legal Staff: Jack Bajorek, Rachel Allen

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Infrastructure Task Force Ad Hoc Policy Committee March 11, 2026

Members Present: Council Member Curtis Gardner, Co-Chair
Council Member Françoise Bergen, Co-Chair

Others Present: L. Perry, J. Burne, T. Kuntzelman, K. Lardie, K. Stuart, M. Burton, R. Sewald, J. Wesolowski, B. Dalton, J Paterson, S Pulliam, J. Wardrip, S Coffin, N Colwell, J. Knight, W Mitchell, A Wiles, T. Carpenter, R. Connerly, S Reed

Online: J. Boyd, J. Zambrano, E. Watson, S. Hancock, M. Tamburo, M. Bryant, T. Sedmak, S. Newman, C. Campuzano, D. Perry, A. Coombs

Call to Order

Council Member (CM) Gardner welcomed everyone and started the meeting off with an icebreaker.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

NEW ITEMS

Capital Project Needs – Community Feedback and Prioritization

L. Perry opened by framing the meeting in the context of work completed since December: seven Focus Area meetings in February, a presentation to City Council at the February 7 Winter Workshop, and the engagement period running February 17 through March 1. She noted the path forward includes continued targeted engagement and presentation requests from community groups, with a recommendation conversation planned for the April meeting, a presentation at the May 9 Council Spring Workshop, and Council determination on next steps for the summer.

Co-Chair Gardner thanked the five subcommittee chairs and staff for their work on the ranking roundup sessions, noting that staff often worked nights and weekends.

L. Perry recapped how the committee arrived at this point, referencing the comprehensive capital master planning work completed across public safety, transportation, libraries, and cultural services over the last two years. The 2025 Build Up Aurora outreach surfaced three top areas of concern: public safety (including pedestrian safety, street lighting, and feeling safe getting around), transportation infrastructure (sidewalks, congestion, multimodal, traffic calming), and parks and recreation. These priorities led to a \$1.9 billion 10-year capital needs list that exceeds available annual budget capacity.

L. Perry reported that across the February 17 to March 1 engagement, the city saw approximately 150 in-person participants across seven 90-minute feedback sessions, over 500 virtual survey participants, 100 direct interactions including a pop-up at the Community College of Aurora and the Aurora Center for Active Adults, and over 3,000 total web page visits. Across all sessions, 95% of participants felt the proposed projects reflected community needs.

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Top themes across all categories included: updates to existing infrastructure (“fix what we have”), projects providing citywide benefit, ADA accessibility, public access to services (especially in northeast Aurora), arts and culture programming and facilities, and safety as a top-of-mind concern carried over from 2025 feedback.

Transportation

L. Perry highlighted top concerns of road and pedestrian safety, multimodal access, ADA needs, condition and urgency around roads and bridges, and traffic congestion tied to growth. The top-priority projects rising from the engagement were bridge replacements (including the Alameda bridge over I-225 and the Peoria bridge, the city’s oldest, with replacement costs exceeding \$30 million each), Gun Club Road, traffic safety and technology investments, missing sidewalks, and signals, signs, and markings.

R. Connerly, Infrastructure Task Force lead for transportation, attended all three transportation workshops and reported the public was articulate, knowledgeable, and passionate, with strong safety orientation. Attendees expressed support for separate ballot questions for transportation, public safety, and parks and recreation, and wanted specificity on which projects would be constructed. R. Connerly also recognized staff for being relatable, knowledgeable, and professional ambassadors for the city, specifically thanking L. Perry.

Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS)

L. Perry reviewed the PROS feedback, noting the central rec center meeting was well attended. Key themes included a recreation center gap in northeast Aurora (residents reported driving into Denver for services), aging park infrastructure, and a desire to invest in existing parks. Top-priority projects were a new Northeast Aurora Recreation Center, neighborhood park renovations, investments in existing rec centers, the Aurora Reservoir, and the Aurora Center for Active Adults.

S. Coffin observed strong attendance and engagement, with residents expressing genuine ownership of the city and the need for these improvements. R.D. Sewald echoed this, noting the session almost felt like a PROS board meeting given resident passion, and emphasized that for parks the conversation centered more on quality of life than on price.

Co-Chair Bergan asked whether a ballot measure for neighborhood park renovations would fund unfinished park expansions. L. Perry clarified that park build-out is part of a separate master plan, and that ballot question specifics, typically broad categories like “neighborhood park renovations,” are usually accompanied by a companion ordinance through Council that provides project-level detail.

R.D. Sewald asked whether projects were being cross-checked against wards to ensure geographic equity. L. Perry confirmed this would be done for any bond program.

Library, Arts, and Culture

L. Perry presented the library, arts, and culture needs, noting the engagement session at Mission Viejo Library (Aurora Public Library) was overflowing and the most engaged of all the meetings. Top themes included general affirmation of project priorities (often written into survey comments), libraries as

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essential community infrastructure, northeast Aurora growth needs, aging facilities, and a performing arts and cultural venue gap. Top-priority projects were system-wide library branch improvements, system-wide cultural facility improvements, the Central Library remodel, a new Northeast Aurora Library, and the Aurora Fox Arts Center courtyard activation.

B. Dalton, Infrastructure Task Force lead for the category, attended several meetings and watched the rest online. He noted high civic engagement, structured and transparent facilitation, and credited J. Burne (facilitator for the ITF focus groups) for keeping meetings on track. He observed that concerns about increased taxes did not come up in the library and arts conversations.

Co-Chair Bergan raised an equity concern, noting that southeast Aurora residents typically don't travel north and questioned whether lower in-person participation in this category reflected the whole city's priorities. L. Perry clarified the meeting was held at Mission Viejo (not Central Library) and reminded the committee that survey results captured a broader population than the in-person sessions alone.

Co-Chair Bergan also asked what cultural facilities the city owns beyond the Aurora Fox Arts Center. L. Perry listed the Bicentennial Art Center, the People's Building, and the Meadowood facility (currently used for preschool, with proposed conversion to a community space and dance facility, partly responding to demand created by the closure of the Beck Recreation Center). Co-Chair Bergan noted southeast Aurora has no cultural facilities. Co-Chair Gardner responded that southeast Aurora has a rec center, a library and rec center.

J. Burne, as facilitator, noted that despite residents advocating for their local libraries, a strong and prominent theme was support for all library locations citywide as a system.

J. Knight asked how northeast Aurora, a less populated area, secured two top-five priorities, and whether that defeated the purpose of serving the broader population. L. Perry responded that northeast Aurora residents were more vocal in attendance.

Public Safety

L. Perry presented the public safety feedback. Top themes included general affirmation of priorities, 911 as critical infrastructure, aging fire and police stations, northeast Aurora coverage gaps, and southeast Aurora fire response coverage. Top-priority projects were 911 investment, fire station investments citywide, IT infrastructure for 911, the new Fire Station 19 in South Shore, and a new APD district station.

N. Colwell, Infrastructure Task Force lead for public safety, observed that the public safety meeting at Central Library drew former community leaders who were well-educated, well-informed, and historically engaged with the city. She noted public safety doesn't generate the same enthusiasm as parks or libraries but remains critically important, and emphasized that response times and a northeast Aurora station were repeated themes. N. Colwell also reported productive conversation around joint facilities (modeled after Tallyn's Reach, which combines police, fire, and library), though she acknowledged the police and fire chiefs were less enthusiastic about the concept.

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Other City Facilities

L. Perry reviewed needs for other city facilities, with totals exceeding \$200 million. Top themes were ADA compliance, support for the animal shelter, aging facilities and deferred maintenance, and security and public safety in the context of courts and detention. Top-priority projects were ADA compliance, the animal shelter, courts and detention, and the Aurora Municipal Center.

J. Burne shared a notable observation: in an earlier presentation on the Municipal Court entrance and detention center, there had been a comment that voters wouldn't support those types of improvements based on perceptions of who uses them. The engagement results contradicted that assumption. Residents saw the need clearly and prioritized those investments.

Facilitator's Summary

J. Burne, facilitator for the ITF focus groups, provided high-level observations across all five sessions. He emphasized the importance of not assuming city priorities match community priorities, but noted approximately 90% alignment was found across the board. He acknowledged the meetings did not represent the entire city and were better understood as “mini focus groups” valuable for understanding resident decision-making and reasoning. He observed strong engagement throughout and good alignment between presented projects and community feedback.

Staff Acknowledgments

L. Perry recognized the core staff team supporting the engagement effort: Julie Patterson for materials and organization, Kim Stuart and the communications and marketing team, J. Burne and the community engagement staff for facilitation design and the dot exercise, and Tod Kuntzelman for coordination.

Where Are We Going Next

L. Perry outlined the prioritization framework for the April meeting, structured around community value plus three technical components: project readiness (design and construction deliverable within six years, with well-defined scope and cost, a requirement particularly relevant for bond-funded projects under IRS spend timelines), cost and leverage (existing impact fees for fire, police, parks, transportation, libraries, and general facilities; grant funding; partnerships such as the Montview Boulevard federal grant application), and asset preservation (informed by completed facility condition assessments). She also noted operating cost considerations. For example, the city cannot afford to open multiple new library branches simultaneously due to staffing and operating budget constraints. She also discussed phasing and scaling, using the Aurora Reservoir project as an example where a \$30 million scope could be delivered in phases.

Co-Chair Gardner cautioned that phasing physical facility projects can ultimately be more expensive than building them correctly the first time, citing CAPSTC (the City of Aurora Public Safety Training Center, outgrown by move-in) and Gun Club Road (lane inconsistencies) as examples.

R. Connerly and Co-Chair Bergan asked whether cost and leverage included partnerships and existing impact fees to reduce the bond amount needed. L. Perry confirmed both would be incorporated.

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Recommendation Approach to Council

The committee discussed how to frame recommendations to City Council, with several members offering different approaches.

W. Mitchell suggested a middle-ground approach: providing dollar amounts per category along with the public’s prioritized list, and allowing staff to advise Council on which projects are realistically deliverable. She emphasized this approach respects the public input while avoiding ward-by-ward disputes among Council members.

J. Knight emphasized presenting a package where every ward benefits, noting that a heavily one-sided package would generate opposition.

J. Zambrano stressed that the package presented to Council must have a credible path to electoral victory, and that prioritization must work within IRS timeframes and consultant guidance on a viable final number.

R.D. Sewald offered extended remarks framing the broader political reality. He compared Aurora’s effort favorably against past Denver bond efforts and a Wheat Ridge widening project that split council, emphasizing that Aurora gets “one shot” given how long it has been since the last bond. He praised the work of L. Perry, J. Burne, and the departments, and emphasized that the committee’s role is to give Council members the confidence to defend the referral at town halls. That confidence, he noted, comes from a unified, supported package backed by two years of constituent engagement. He also noted parity across wards as essential.

J. Zambrano added that every Council member understands electoral politics, and the package must “intimate a path to victory” or risk being shelved.

Co-Chair Gardner summarized the discussion as surfacing three potential approaches: (1) a vote-based recommendation similar to the dot exercise used in public meetings, (2) the middle-ground approach described by W. Mitchell, providing guardrails per category and letting staff advise Council on readiness, or (3) a limited recommendation endorsing the engagement work and leaving project selection to Council.

L. Perry confirmed staff would return in April with scenarios incorporating community values, technical readiness, financial components, and the top-five priorities per category, framed to inform a Council recommendation.

R.D. Sewald stated that providing no direction to Council would be a failure of the committee’s responsibility. He suggested two paths: identify the top 25 projects representing community input and turn them over to staff for analysis, or wait for staff’s feasibility analysis before finalizing a recommendation. Co-Chair Gardner asked whether staff analysis would be ready by the April 28 meeting; L. Perry confirmed it would.

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W. Mitchell observed that residents had focused less on cost and more on where Aurora is going and what will energize the city, and noted Council faces a real challenge in determining the scope, threshold, and packaging of ballot questions.

Funding Mechanism and Total Bond Amount

R. Connerly asked about the total dollar amount needed to fund the top five projects in each category, noting it was significant.

Co-Chair Bergan asked when the total dollar figure would be determined. L. Perry explained that the revenue source pledged for a bond determines bond capacity and project proceeds, and that scenarios, including phasing and scaling, would be brought back to the committee. She reminded the committee that the conversation is primarily about a bond, but the city retains a 10-year capital plan funded through the annual budget, pay-as-you-go, grants, and partnerships. Projects not included in a bond package will continue to advance through these other mechanisms, and design work on not-yet-ready projects can be funded so they are positioned for a future bond cycle.

Co-Chair Bergan emphasized the importance of communicating to Council that a bond is not the only revenue source, but the only significant one, and that other projects will continue through other funding paths.

Next Steps and Funding Source Decision

Co-Chair Gardner reviewed next steps, including preparation for the May 9 Council Workshop. He also raised open questions for the committee to consider: whether to recommend property tax versus sales tax, whether to recommend a specific tax amount, and whether to recommend a sunset provision.

R.D. Sewald shared experience from prior bond campaigns, noting the importance of clear voter messaging on what each cent of tax investment funds, a framing technique that builds momentum during campaign periods.

Co-Chair Bergan agreed that messaging on what the tax generates and what residents and visitors are funding is essential and must be addressed when the committee returns with project lists and dollar amounts.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

None.

CONFIRM NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 28, 2026, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

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ADJOURNMENT

The March 11, 2025 Infrastructure Task Force Ad Hoc Policy Committee Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

CM Curtis Gardner, Chair

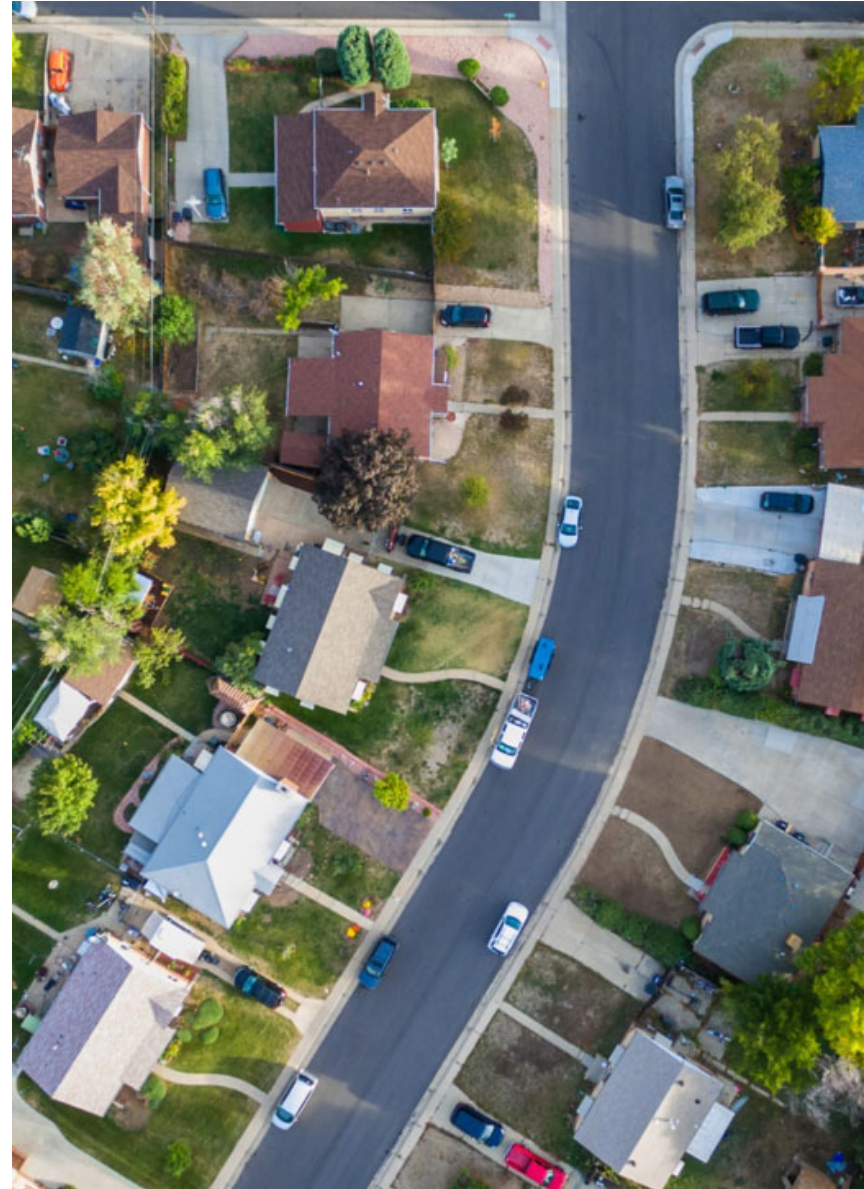


Build Up AURORA

*Care for What We Have
Provide for What We Need*

Build Up Aurora Infrastructure Task Force

April 28, 2026



Agenda



- **Welcome**
- **Conflict of Interest Disclosure**
- **Build Up Aurora – Process Overview/Recap**
- **10-Year Capital Improvement Master Plan Prioritization**
- **Capital Funding and Financing Scenarios**
- **Infrastructure Task Force Recommendations**



CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Infrastructure Task Force



- • Develop a **short-term, mid-term, and long-term phased strategic plan** for the efficient allocation of resources to support city capital improvement needs.
- ☑ • Establish **criteria for prioritizing city infrastructure needs** based on factors such as urgency, impact, feasibility, alignment with strategic goals and prioritization based on community needs.
- ☑ • Foster **effective communication and collaboration** with internal and external stakeholders, including business and community groups, industry partners, and the public.
- ☑ • **Engage with Aurora residents** through a variety of methods to understand their infrastructure needs, preferences, and concerns, and incorporate their input into recommendations.
- • **Review funding options** that support sustainable infrastructure development and ongoing capital maintenance.

Build Up Aurora Process – Core Tenets



Strategic
Capital Planning

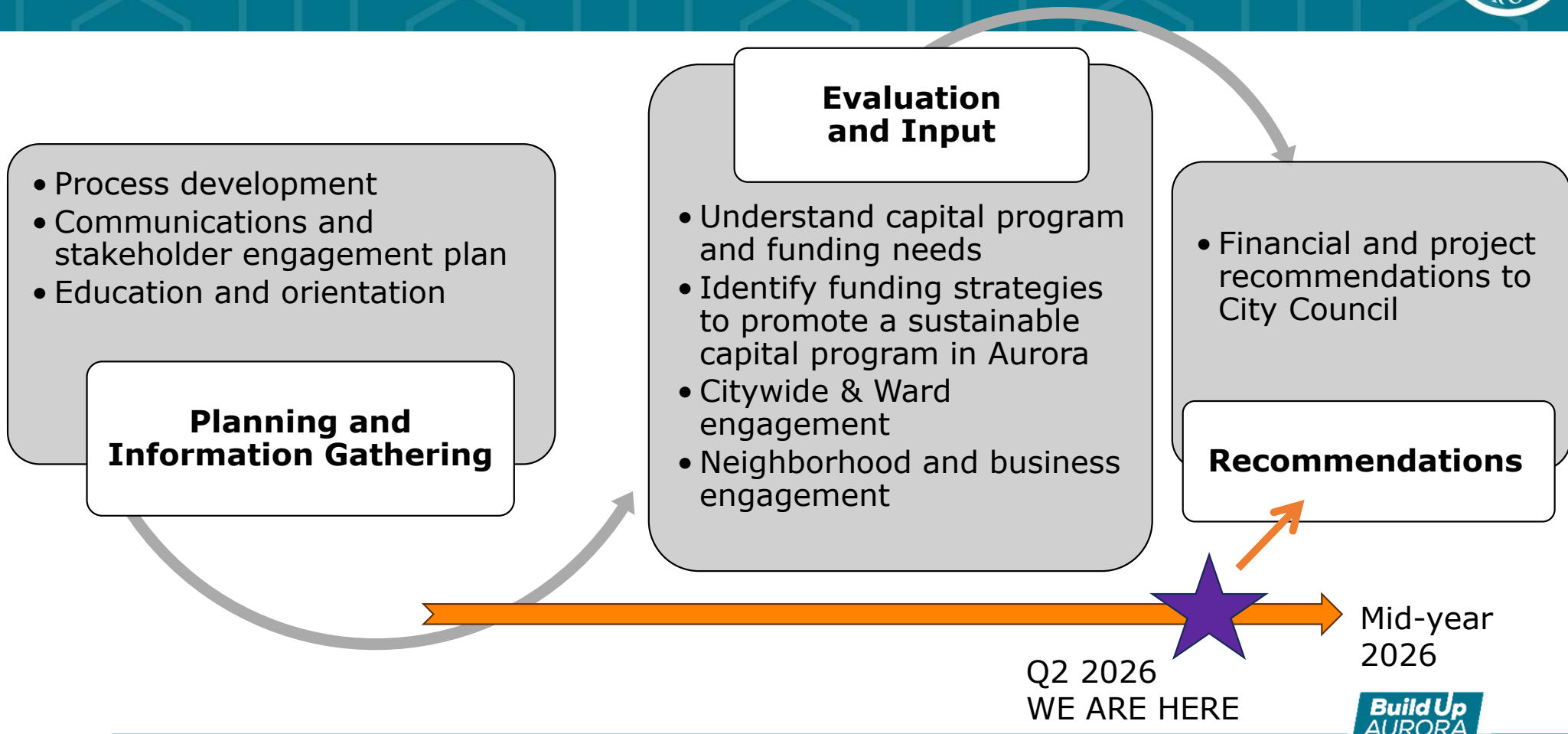
Public
Engagement

Transparency

Fiscal
Responsibility

- ✓ Incorporated recommendations of capital master planning efforts that included community engagement.
- ✓ Two years of public and stakeholder engagement to understand what capital projects the community cares about most.
- ✓ Review of existing funding sources to understand capacity to fund priority capital needs.
- ✓ Citywide technical project evaluation (scope, schedule, budget)
- ✓ Information shared publicly through each stage of process (EngageAurora.org/BuildUpAurora)

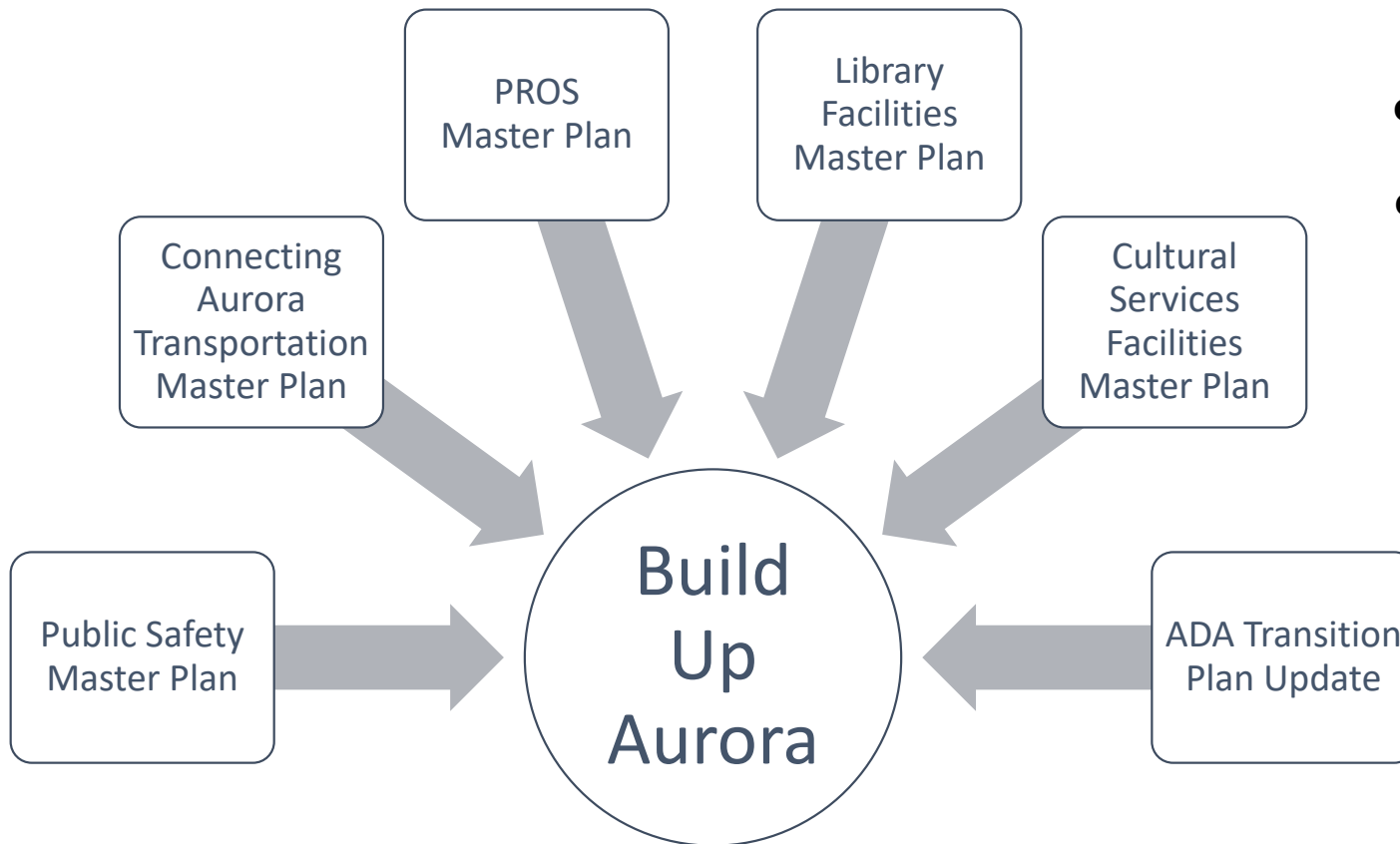
Build Up Aurora Phases



Capital Master Planning Efforts



City has undertaken comprehensive capital master planning efforts to evaluate the city's capital needs to enhance capital and financial planning.



Draft 10-Year Capital Improvement Master Plan



**Transportation
Infrastructure
\$596.2M**

**Parks, Recreation
and Open Space
\$255.7M**

**Libraries, Arts and
Culture
\$84.0M**

**Other City
Facilities
\$246.5M**

**Public Safety
\$900M**

- **\$2.08 billion in capital needs identified in draft 10-Year Capital Improvement Master Plan***
- **Consists of projects that exceed what the city can afford to complete in its annual budget**

**Estimated project cost subject to change. Estimated costs represent total cost (not including land acquisition where applicable) and do not represent phasing options.*

Capital Project Prioritization Framework: Community Informed and Technically Sound



**Community
Value**

**Project
Readiness**

**Cost and
Leverage**

**Asset
Preservation**

Prioritization of capital project needs help ensure capital resources are invested responsibly, focusing first on projects that:

- Deliver the greatest public benefit
- Are ready to move forward
- Address the most critical needs
- Plan thoughtfully for future city needs

Community Value



Community Value

Project Readiness

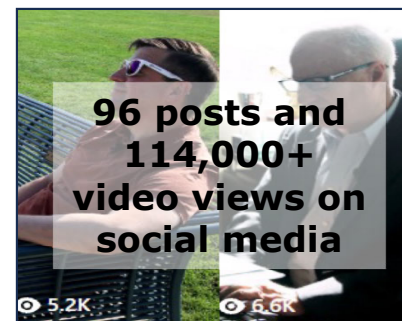
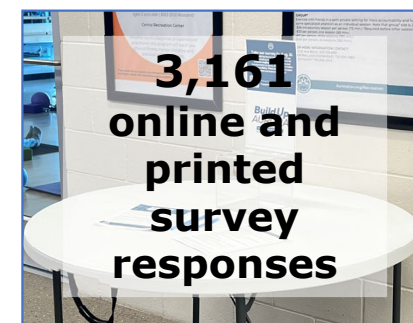
Cost and Leverage

Asset Preservation

Provide for What We Need

- Captures what Aurora residents have told us they care about most when it comes to the infrastructure future of their city
- Ensures that the voice of the public is a meaningful part of how the city thinks about where to invest

2025-26 Public Outreach Overview



Public Outreach Overview

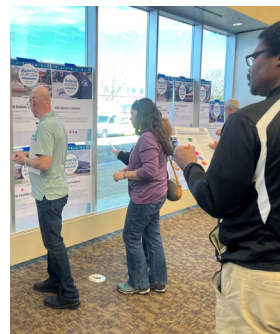
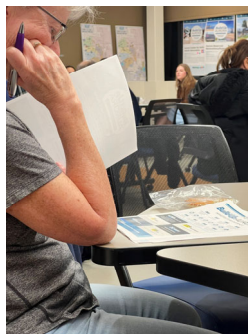


Top Concerns

Public Safety

Transportation
Infrastructure

Parks and Recreation



Top Themes

Infrastructure Updates
"Fix What We Have"

Citywide Benefit

ADA Accessibility

Public Access to Services

Arts and Culture

Safety



BUA Ranking Roundup – Top Five Projects

Focus Area Prioritization Feedback



Transportation

\$177.5M

- Bridge Replacements
- Gun Club Road (Quincy to Aurora Parkway)
- Traffic Safety and Technology (Citywide)
- High Priority Missing Sidewalks
- Signal, Sign, Markings, and Lighting Maintenance

TK1 Parks and Recreation

\$124.7M

- New Northeast Recreation Center
- Neighborhood Park Renovations (Citywide)
- Recreation Center Facility Improvements
- Aurora Reservoir Renovations/Expansion
- Aurora Center for Active Adults Renovation

Libraries, Arts and Culture

\$61.4M

- Library Branch Facility Improvements
- Cultural Facilities Improvements
- Central Library Remodel
- New Northeast Aurora Library
- Aurora Fox Courtyard Activation

Public Safety

\$83.4M

- Aurora911 Facility Improvements
- AFR Facility Improvements
- Aurora911 IT Infrastructure Resiliency
- AFR Station 19 (Southshore)
- APD District 4 Station

Other City Facilities

\$47.1M

- ADA City Facilities Improvements
- Aurora Animal Shelter (Future Phase II)
- Aurora Municipal Court Entrance Security Upgrade
- Detention Center Facility Improvements
- Aurora Municipal Center Facility Improvements

95% of public engagement participants felt that the project priorities presented reflect the community's needs

Top 25 Projects Total: \$494.1M



Capital Project Prioritization: Project Readiness (“Shovel Ready”)



Community
Value

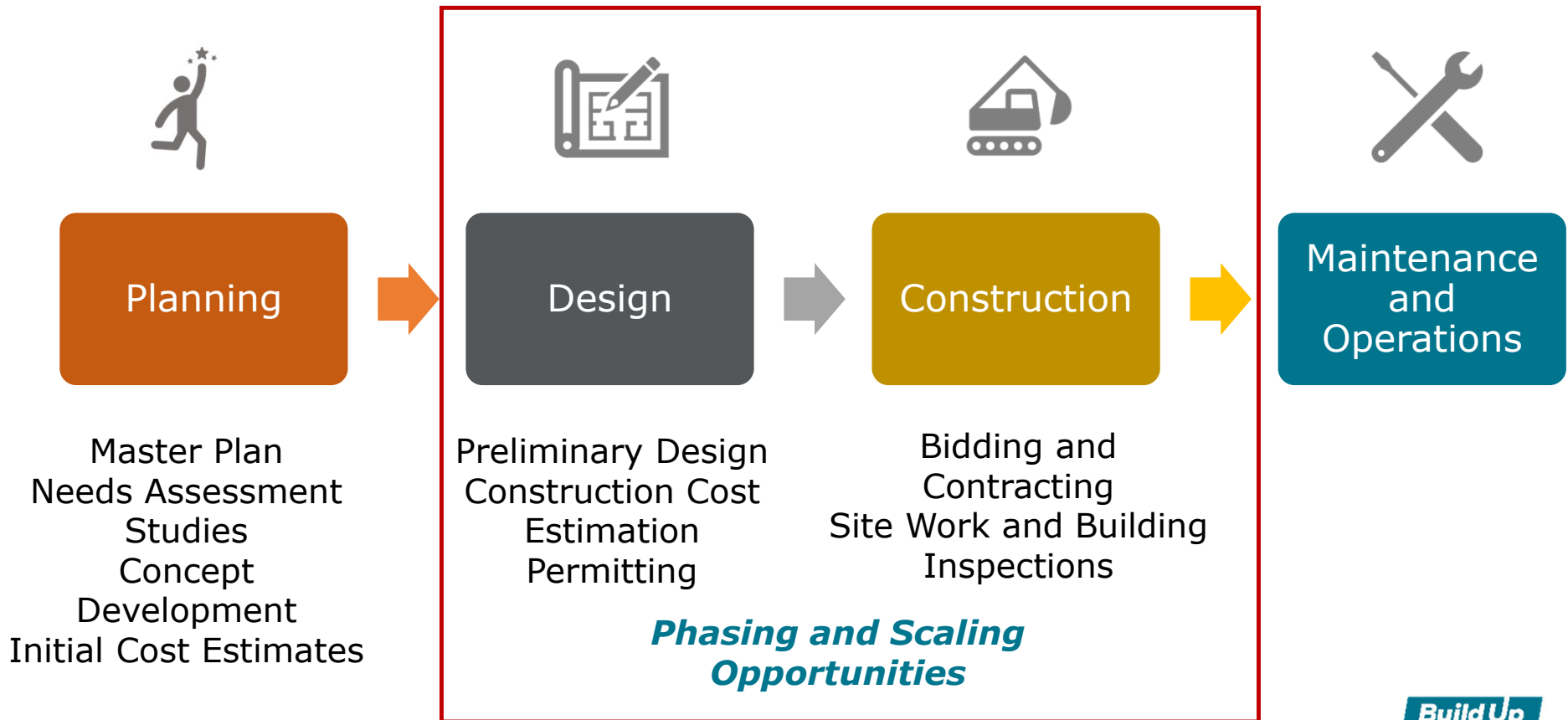
Project
Readiness

Cost and
Leverage

Asset
Preservation

- **The 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan includes capital project over a 10-year horizon. Projects in the plan have varying degrees of readiness for construction.**
- **City project delivery staff reviewed the following for each project:**
 - Projects that can be delivered within six years
 - Amount of planning and design completed
 - Scope and cost estimates
 - Phasing and scaling opportunities (e.g., “program” projects with multiple locations)
 - Stakeholder and community readiness

The Life of a Capital Project



Cost and Funding Leverage Asset Preservation



**Community
Value**

**Project
Readiness**

**Cost and
Leverage**

**Asset
Preservation**

Making Every Dollar Count

- Maximize impact for every dollar for infrastructure investment and community impact.
- Continue leveraging of existing funding sources without asking more of local taxpayers
- Pursue opportunities for federal grants, state programs, or regional partnerships, stretching Aurora's local investment further
- Balance operating costs to support overall city financial sustainability.
- Maintain, rehabilitate, or replace aging infrastructure to reduce the risk of failure and extend the asset's life.

Infrastructure Task Force Staff Direction



At the March meeting, Infrastructure Task Force tasked staff to:

Prioritize capital project needs utilizing framework criteria

Incorporate top 25 capital projects prioritized by the community

Evaluate projects that are most ready to move forward to construction

Evaluate existing funding sources

Develop capital project prioritization and financial scenarios for ITF consideration.

Capital Project Prioritization

Infrastructure Task Force Capital Project Prioritization



Projects have been grouped into three tiers to prioritize funding for high-impact, ready, and critical needs first, while planning future capital investments.

Tier 1

Projects that deliver clear, community-wide benefits and reflect what residents said matters most.

Well planned shovel ready projects

Addresses timely critical infrastructure, service and/or operational needs

Tier 2

Projects that provide important community benefits and align with city plans.

Require more planning, refinement, or phased investment(s)

Tier 3

Projects support long-term community goals but are not ready to advance.

Additional planning and project development are needed.

Transportation Infrastructure Capital Project Prioritization



Project Name	Estimated Cost*	Tier	Ward	Status
Signal, Sign, and Marking Maintenance	\$ 8,000,000	1	All	Planning
Intersection Safety & Traffic Calming	\$ 15,000,000	1	I, II, IV, VI	Partial design
Traffic Safety & Technology	\$ 22,000,000	1	All	Planning
Gun Club Road (Quincy to Aurora Pkwy) Multimodal and Safety Improvements	\$ 42,000,000	1	VI	Design (grant funded)
Peoria over Sand Creek Bridge Replacement	\$ 37,000,000	1	I	Design (grant funded)
Montview Blvd (Peoria St to Fitzsimons Pkwy) Multimodal Improvements	\$ 35,000,000	1	I	Design Complete
High Priority Missing Sidewalks	\$ 7,000,000	1	Multiple	Planning/prioritization
Alameda Bridge over I-225 Replacement	\$ 52,000,000	1	III	Design (grant funded)
ADA Barrier Removal	\$ 38,200,000	1	All	Planning
Aurora Reservoir Road and Trail Improvements	\$ 10,000,000	1	VI	Planning
Tier 1 Total	\$266,200,000			
SH 30/Gun Club/6 th Ave (Airport to Yale) Multimodal and Safety Improvements	\$ 168,000,000	2	II	Planning Study
13th Ave Multimodal and Safety Improvements	\$ 25,000,000	2	I	Design (grant funded)
Complete Streets Projects	\$ 17,000,000	2	I, II, IV, VI	Planning
Northwest Aurora Alley Paving Program	\$ 36,000,000	2	I	Annual on-going design and construction of 3-4 alleys
Tier 2 Total	246,000,000			
Tower Road Widening	\$ 13,000,000	3	II	Concept
Tower Road Extension	\$ 71,000,000	3	II	Concept
Tier 3 Total	\$84,000,000			
Transportation Infrastructure Total	\$ 596,200,000			

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Capital Project Prioritization



Project Name	Estimated Cost*	Tier	Ward	Status
Neighborhood Park Renovations	\$ 28,000,000	1	All	Planning
Aurora Center for Active Adults Renovation	\$ 5,000,000	1	III	Planning
Recreation Facilities Improvements	\$ 3,700,000	1	All Centers	Planning
Community Park Renovations Full	\$ 60,000,000	1	Multiple	Planning
Aurora Reservoir Renovations/Expansion	\$ 26,000,000	1	VI	Planning
New Northeast Aurora Recreation Center	\$ 50,000,000	1	II	Feasibility Study in 2026
Tier 1 Total	\$172,700,000			
Master Planned Parks Construction	\$ 28,000,000	2	V, VI	Design
Aurora Sports Park (Expansion)	\$ 20,000,000	2	II	Planning
Tier 2 Total	\$48,000,000			
Aurora Sports Park II (New)	TBD based on location	3	TBD	Planning
Plains Conservation Center Improvements	\$ 35,000,000	3	II	Planning
Tier 3 Total	\$35,000,000			
Parks, Recreation, & Open Space Total	\$255,700,000			

Libraries, Arts and Culture Capital Project Prioritization



Project Name	Estimated Cost*	Tier	Ward	Status
Central Library Remodel	\$ 11,000,000	1	III	Planning
Hoffman Heights Library Remodel	\$ 4,300,000	1	I	Planning
Tallyn's Reach Library Remodel	\$ 1,400,000	1	VI	Planning
Mission Viejo Library Remodel	\$ 5,000,000	1	V	Planning
Library Branch Facility Improvements	\$ 10,850,000	1	Multiple	Planning
Cultural Facilities Improvements	\$ 10,500,000	1	Multiple	Planning
Meadowood Gym and Lobby Conversion	\$ 8,000,000	1	V	Planning
New Northeast Aurora Library	\$ 18,000,000	1	II	Planning
Tier 1 Total	\$69,050,000			
Aurora Fox Courtyard Activation	\$ 11,000,000	2	I	Planning
Fox Lobby Reconfiguration & Enhancement with Soundproof Wall	\$ 1,950,000	2	I	Planning
Tier 2 Total	\$12,950,000			
Bicentennial Arts Center (BAC) Vista Paddock Renovation / Storage Addition	\$ 820,000	3	III	Planning
Kiln Yard Expansion Bicentennial Arts Center (BAC)	\$ 1,200,000	3	III	Planning
Tier 3 Total	\$2,020,000			
Library, Arts, and Culture Total	\$84,020,000			

Public Safety Capital Project Prioritization



Project Name	Estimated Cost*	Tier	Ward	Status
APD Facility Improvements	\$ 8,500,000	1	I, II, VI	Planning
Aurora 911 Tallyn's Reach Facility Improvements	\$ 2,000,000	1	VI	Planning
Fire Station 19 (new)	\$ 16,700,000	1	VI	Planning
Fire Station 2 Remodel	\$ 8,020,000	1	I	Planning
Fire Station 8 Land Acquisition and New Station	\$ 17,700,000	1	III	Planning
Fire Station Facility Improvements	\$ 8,500,000	1	Various	Planning
Tier 1 Total	\$61,420,000			
IT Infrastructure, Phase I (Aurora911)	\$ 83,700,000	2	N/A	Planning
APD Patrol District 4 Station and Land Acquisition	\$ 56,150,000	2	II	Planning
APD Training Complex	\$ 221,524,500	2	IV	Planning
Fire Station 3 Remodel	\$ 9,850,000	2	I	Planning
Property and Evidence Campus and Land Acquisition	\$ 47,900,000	2	TBD	Planning
Tier 2 Total	\$419,124,500			
APD Headquarters Replacement	TBD	3	III	Planning
APD Special Operations Building and Land Acquisition	\$ 240,500,000	3	I	Planning
City-Owned Impound Lot and Support Buildings	\$ 59,220,500	3	TBD	Planning
Real-Time Operations Center, Phase 1 and Land Acquisition	\$ 119,700,000	3	TBD	Planning
Tier 3 Total	\$419,420,500			
Public Safety Total	\$899,965,000			

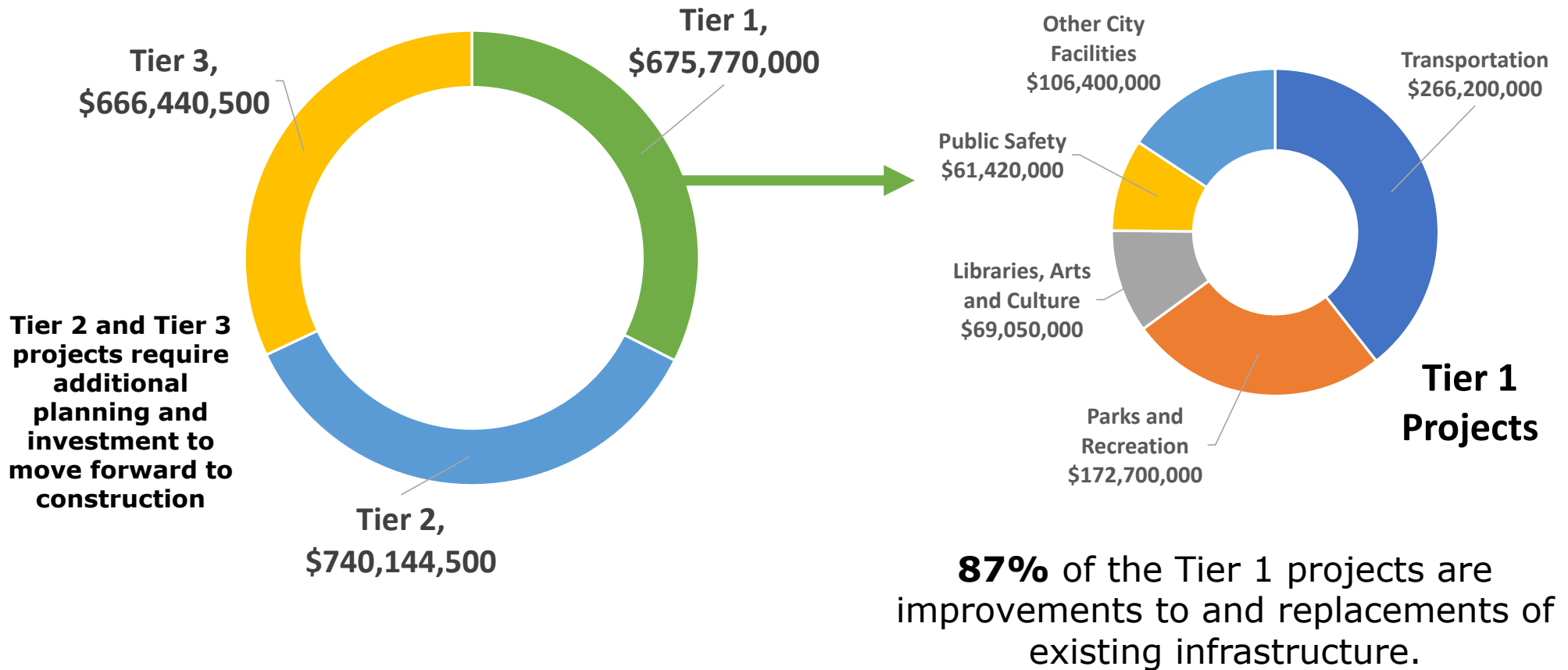
Other City Facilities Capital Project Prioritization



Project Name	Estimated Cost*	Tier	Ward	Status
Court Entrance Security Upgrade	\$ 3,000,000	1	III	Design
Detention Center Facility Improvements	\$ 2,100,000	1	III	Planning
Aurora Municipal Court Facility Improvements	\$ 3,100,000	1	III	Planning
PW North Satellite Facility Rehabilitation	\$ 9,300,000	1	II	Planning
Aurora Regional Navigation Campus Capital Replacement	TBD	1	II	Planning
Central Facilities Rehabilitation	\$ 37,500,000	1	III	Planning
South Satellite Facility Renovation	\$ 9,400,000	1	V	Planning
Aurora Municipal Center Rehabilitation	\$ 42,000,000	1	III	Planning
ADA City Facilities Improvements	TBD	1	All	Planning
Tier 1 Total	\$106,400,000			
Decommissioning/or Renovation (Old) Existing Animal Shelter	TBD	2	II	Planning
Aurora Day Resource Center Decommissioning	\$ 1,070,000	2	I	Planning
Central Facilities Expansion	\$ 36,000,000	2	III	Planning
Tier 2 Total	\$37,070,000			
Aurora Animal Shelter (Future Phase II – Additional Shelter Space)	TBD	3	II	Concept - Future Phase
PW North Satellite Facility Expansion	\$ 23,000,000	3	II	Conceptual
Southeast Aurora Maintenance Campus (Phase II Expansion)	\$ 80,000,000	3	VI	Planning
New Northeast Aurora Maintenance Campus	TBD	3	II	Conceptual
Tier 3 Total	\$103,000,000			
Other City Facilities Total	\$ 246,470,000			

Capital Project Prioritization

Prioritization Tier Summary



**Does the Infrastructure Task Force
support the proposed tiered
prioritization of 10-year Capital
Master Plan projects?**

Capital Funding and Financing Scenarios

Capital Project Funding Options



Annual Budget "Pay-As-You-Go"

Grants and Other Non-City Funds Capital Project Grants, Partnerships

Bonds

- City borrows funds for major projects
- Repaid over time with interest
- Must collect sufficient taxes to cover annual bond payments
- Requires voter approval
- Allows projects to move forward sooner
- Must spend funding on projects voters approve in a required amount of time

A successful capital funding plan has a balanced mix of revenues and debt to deliver priority projects, remain affordable, and adapt to changing needs while maintaining long-term financial stability.

Revenue Source	Aurora Current Rate	Growth Potential	Voter Approval	Use Flexibility	Uses
Sales Tax	3.75%	High	Required	High	Operating and capital projects
Use Tax	3.75%	Moderate	Required	High	Operating and capital projects
Property Tax	6 to 10 mills	Moderate	Required	High	Operating and capital projects
Lodger's Tax	8.0%	Moderate	Required	Medium	Operating expenditures and Tourism-related capital projects / debt financing
Marijuana Excise	8.75%	Flattening	No (set by policy)	Medium	Targeted investments for youth violence prevention and transportation capital projects
Capital Impact Fees	Varies	Growth-driven	No (set by policy)	Low (restricted)	Regional infrastructure due to growth



Project	Phase	Federal/Other	Local Match
Box Elder Creek (PROTECT)	Construction	\$10.8M	\$3.5M
13 th Multimodal (TIP)	Design	\$900K	\$600K
Gun Club Multimodal (TIP)	Design	\$1.5M	\$375K
I-225 & Alameda Bridge (TIP)	Design	\$2.4M	\$450K
Peoria over Sand Creek Bridge (TIP)	Design	\$1.8M	\$450K
Laredo Bridge (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$1.8M	\$445K
Parker/Quincy/Smoky Hill (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$6.0M	\$1.5M
11th/Havana/Del Mar Safety Improvements (HSIP)	Design & Construction	\$3.9M	\$436K
Advanced Signal Controllers (TIP)	Equipment	\$0.8M	\$0
Missing Sidewalks (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$2.2M	\$553K
Missing Sidewalks Phase 2 (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$4.3M	\$556K
Smith Road Multimodal (TIP)	60% Design	\$4.5M	\$500K
Traffic Signal System (TIP)	Software	\$400K	\$0
I-70 & Picadilly (BUILD/FASTER)	Design & Construction	\$33.5M	\$6.25M
Nine-Mile Ped Bridge (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$6.6M	\$1.7M
Signal Equipment Upgrade (TIP)	Equipment	\$1.0M	\$0
Traffic Management Center (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$1.1M	\$275K
Communications Infrastructure (TIP)	Design & Construction	\$736K	\$184K
Connecting Aurora (TIP)	Planning	\$2.6M	\$644K
Safety Action Plan (TIP)	Planning	\$1.6M	\$150K
Hazmat Roadways (Fuel Grant)	Design & Construction	\$10M	\$0
NW Aurora Intersection Safety (Safer Main Streets)	Design & Construction	\$1.6M	\$400K
	Total	\$100M	\$19M

City is currently leveraging \$100M in grant funding to complete key capital projects

Keating Research

Chris Keating
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Infrastructure Task Force Research Discussion

Proposed Bond Program Parameters

- Address key infrastructure needs and service gaps valued by the community
- Fund critical projects now to avoid higher future costs
- Maximize existing funding to reduce borrowing needs
- Balance operating costs and affordability of new facilities
- Create a flexible financial plan to meet ongoing capital needs.



Bond Program Development Considerations



Priority
Project Needs
and Readiness

Project
Delivery
Capacity

Voter
Support

Operating
Budget
Capacity

IRS
Regulations

Debt Service
Funding
Capacity

Proposed 2026 Bond Program Scenario Considerations

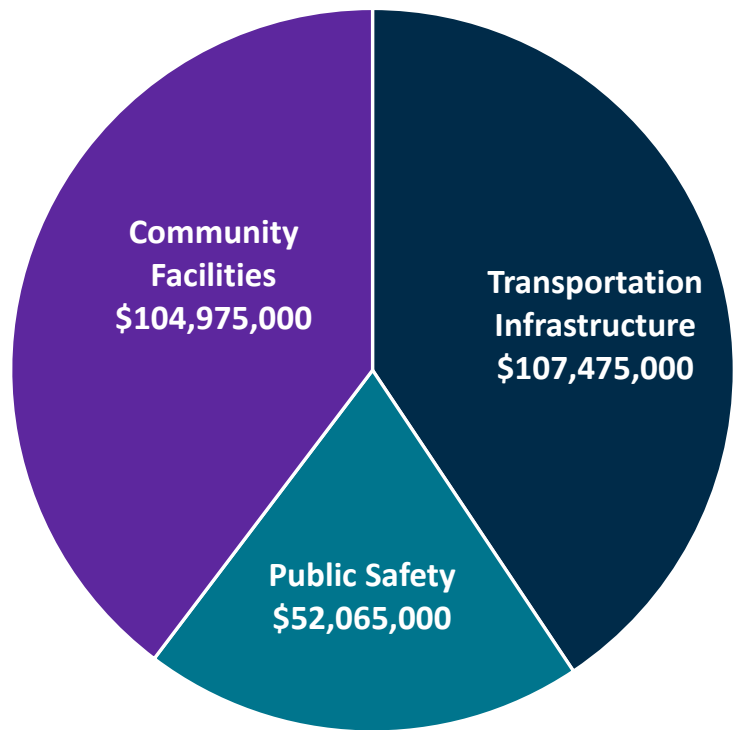


Sales and Use Total Tax Rate	Estimated Project Funds Generated	Considerations
0.25%	\$203,505,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets city project delivery capacity • Unable to fund major bridge replacement, new recreation center/library and new fire station.
0.325%	\$264,515,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets city project delivery capacity • Funds critical major replacement and new infrastructure needs to address service gaps.
0.375% (0.40%)	\$304,875,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceeds city project delivery capacity • Expands funding beyond shovel-ready projects

Proposed 2026 Bond Program



2026 Bond Proposed Project Totals



- **Total Project Value*:** \$264,515,000
- More than **65 distinct projects**
- Provides comprehensive funding approach to address capital improvements and repairs in each purpose.
- Leverages over **\$44M** in existing capital funding

Bond Purpose	Amount	Sales and Use Tax Rate
Transportation Infrastructure	\$107,475,000	0.132%
Public Safety	\$52,065,000	0.064%
Community Facilities	\$104,975,000	0.129%
	\$264,515,000	0.325%

*Includes \$7.595M in purpose contingency funding



Transportation Infrastructure



Project Name	Funding Amount	Ward
Transportation Infrastructure		
Transportation Safety Improvements	\$ 25,000,000	All Wards
Gun Club Road (Quincy to Aurora Parkway)	\$ 34,000,000	VI
Peoria over Sand Creek Bridge Replacement	\$ 37,000,000	I
High Priority Sidewalk Improvements	\$ 7,000,000	I, II, III, IV
Aurora Reservoir Transportation Improvements	\$ 1,000,000	VI
<i>Purpose Contingency</i>	\$ 3,475,000	
Transportation Infrastructure Total	\$ 107,475,000	

Key Project Facts

- **47 distinct capital projects**
- 30 traffic, intersection, and pedestrian safety projects across the city
- 13 high priority missing sidewalks
- Replacement of the city's oldest bridge built in 1966
- New road and trail improvements at the Aurora Reservoir to improve access



Public Safety



Project Name	Funding Amount	Ward
Public Safety		
Police Station Facility Capital Improvements	\$ 8,500,000	I, II, VI
Aurora 911 Facility Capital Improvements	\$ 2,000,000	VI
Fire Station 19 Construction	\$ 13,700,000	VI
Fire Station 2 Renovation	\$ 8,020,000	I
Fire Station Facility Capital Improvements	\$ 8,500,000	IV, V
Fire Station 3 Renovation	\$ 10,000,000	I
<i>Purpose Contingency</i>	\$ 1,345,000	
Public Safety Total	\$ 52,065,000	

Key Project Facts

- Improvements at all police and fire stations
- Improvements and renovations at the Aurora 911 Tallyns Reach facility
- 2 fire station renovations
- New fire station to address response times in southeast Aurora

Community Facilities



Key Project Facts

- 6 neighborhood park renovations
- Renovation of the Aurora Center for Active Adults built in 1980
- Construction of Central Community Park (Phase 1)
- 2 library branch renovations
- Construction of a new recreation center and library to serve northeast Aurora

Project Name	Funding Amount	Ward
Community Facilities		
Neighborhood Park Renovations	\$ 28,000,000	All Wards
Aurora Center for Active Adults Renovation	\$ 5,000,000	III
Recreation Facilities Capital Improvements	\$ 3,700,000	I, IV, V, VI
New Northeast Aurora Recreation Center	\$ 36,500,000	II
Master Planned Parks Construction	\$ 5,000,000	V
Central Library Branch Remodel	\$ 4,000,000	III
Mission Viejo Library Branch Remodel	\$ 5,000,000	V
New Northeast Aurora Library Branch	\$ 15,000,000	II
<i>Purpose Contingency</i>	\$ 2,775,000	
Community Facilities Total	\$ 104,975,000	

Proposed 2026 Ballot Questions



Total Project Value*: \$264,515,000

- More than **65 distinct projects**
- Companion resolution will designate projects and level of funding to be undertaken with proceeds of bonds if authorized by voters
- 0.325% sales and use tax increase recommended (prorated across three categories) to provide financial capacity to issue bonds

Ballot Question/Purpose	Par Amount (Principal)	Total Repayment Cost (Principal + Interest)	Annual Debt Service	Sales and Use Tax Rate	
Transportation Infrastructure	\$107,475,000	\$201,900,000	\$8,626,250	0.132%	1.3 cents/\$10
Public Safety	\$52,065,000	\$97,806,000	\$4,180,000	0.064%	0.6 cents/\$10
Community Facilities	\$104,975,000	\$197,208,500	\$8,425,000	0.129%	1.3 cents/\$10
Aggregate of Three Questions/Issuances*	\$264,515,000	\$496,914,000	\$21,230,750	0.325%	3.25 cents/\$10

*Aggregate numbers vary slightly from total of three questions due to interest and cost of issuance.



METRO AREA SALES TAX RATES

CITY NAME	COUNTY NAME	STATE	SPECIAL DIST	COUNTY	CITY	TOTAL
Denver	Denver	2.900%	1.100%	0.000%	5.150%	9.150%
Commerce City	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.500%	9.250%
Ft Collins	Larimer	2.900%	0.000%	0.800%	4.350%	8.050%
Castle Rock	Douglas	2.900%	0.000%	1.000%	4.200%	8.100%
Broomfield	Broomfield	2.900%	1.100%	0.000%	4.150%	8.150%
Federal Heights	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.000%	8.750%
Northglenn	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.000%	8.750%
Lafayette	Boulder	2.900%	1.100%	1.185%	3.870%	9.055%
Boulder	Boulder	2.900%	1.100%	1.185%	3.860%	9.045%
Westminster	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	3.850%	8.600%
Westminster	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.850%	8.350%
Englewood	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.800%	8.050%
Louisville	Boulder	2.900%	1.100%	1.185%	3.775%	8.960%
Superior	Boulder	2.900%	1.100%	1.185%	3.775%	8.960%
Aurora	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	3.750%	8.500%
Brighton	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	3.750%	8.500%
Thornton	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	3.750%	8.500%
Aurora	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.750%	8.000%
Glendale	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.750%	8.000%
Littleton	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.750%	8.000%
Longmont	Boulder	2.900%	1.100%	1.185%	3.530%	8.715%
Edgewater	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.500%	8.000%
Wheatridge	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.500%	8.000%
Arvada	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.460%	7.960%
Parker	Douglas	2.900%	1.100%	1.000%	3.000%	8.000%
Golden	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.000%	7.500%
Lakewood	Jefferson	2.900%	1.100%	0.500%	3.000%	7.500%
Greenwood Village	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.000%	7.250%
Loveland	Larimer	2.900%	0.000%	0.800%	3.000%	6.700%
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Current Sales and Use Tax Rate Comparison

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Broomfield	Broomfield	2.900%	1.100%	0.000%	4.150%	8.150%	X
Aurora	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.075%	8.825%	
Aurora	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	4.075%	8.325%	
Federal Heights	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.000%	8.750%	X
Northglenn	Adams	2.900%	1.100%	0.750%	4.000%	8.750%	X
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Littleton	Arapahoe	2.900%	1.100%	0.250%	3.750%	8.000%	
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**Sales and Use
Tax Rate
Comparison
with Proposed
0.325%
Increase**

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Proposed 2026 Financing Structure



- Debt authorized under the 2026 bond program will be issued over time
 - *Each bond issuance requires approval by City Council*
- Proposed key terms for 2026 bond program:
 - Bonds will be secured by dedicated sales and use tax
 - Allows future bonding capacity without raising taxes (potential 2031/2032 authorization)
 - Max term for bonds and sales and use tax increases not to exceed 30-years
 - Reserves
- Strong credit rating supports favorable financing terms
- Sales and use tax increases are forecasted to exceed annual debt service, with surplus funding purposed to fund:
 - Additional capital improvements and repairs
 - Bond program and project management services

Infrastructure Task Force Proposed Short-Term Recommendation



- Pursue voter authorization for \$264.5M 2026 bond program divided among three ballot questions/purposes with supporting sales and use tax rate increases (with 30-year sunset)

Bond Purpose	Amount	Sales and Use Tax Rate	
Transportation Infrastructure	\$107,475,000	0.132%	<i>1.3 cents/\$10</i>
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Community Facilities	\$104,975,000	0.129%	<i>1.3 cents/\$10</i>
	\$264,515,000	0.325%	

- Continued leverage of existing and new capital funding sources (grants/partnerships) to address project needs in the city’s capital plan
- Program surplus “pay-as-you-go” funding for capital improvements and repair
- Invest “pay-as-you-go” funding in the development of projects not ready for construction (e.g., design, land acquisition, etc.)
- Deliver bond program successfully



Infrastructure Task Force Proposed Mid-Term/Long-Term Recommendation



- **Mid-Term**

- Maintain flexibility in city financial plan to program additional revenues in the future to allow for a potential new authorization of bonds without a new tax increase
- Continue to:
 - Engage the community to understand priority capital project needs
 - Leverage existing and new capital funding sources (grants/partnerships) to address project needs in the city's capital plan
 - Program surplus "pay-as-you-go" funding for capital improvements and repair
 - Invest "pay-as-you-go" funding in the development of projects not ready for construction
 - Balance operating costs

- **Long-Term**

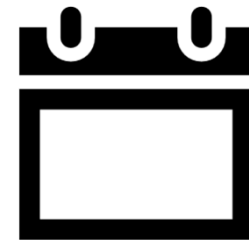
- Continue to seek voter authorization for bonds to fund major replacements, renovations, and new infrastructure to address service level needs.

Infrastructure Task Force Discussion

Build Up Aurora - Next Steps



- Presentation of ITF Recommendation at City Council Spring Workshop (Saturday, May 9)
- If City Council supports recommendation, ballot measures will move forward for referral to the November 2026 ballot
 - Potential Timeline
 - May 18 (Study Session)
 - June 8 (First Reading)
 - June 22 (Final Reading)



Thank you for your help to **Build Up Aurora!**



- ✓ • Develop a **short-term, mid-term, and long-term phased strategic plan** for the efficient allocation of resources to support city capital improvement needs.
- ✓ • Establish **criteria for prioritizing city infrastructure needs** based on factors such as urgency, impact, feasibility, alignment with strategic goals and prioritization based on community needs.
- ✓ • Foster **effective communication and collaboration** with internal and external stakeholders, including business and community groups, industry partners, and the public.
- ✓ • **Engage with Aurora residents** through a variety of methods to understand their infrastructure needs, preferences, and concerns, and incorporate their input into recommendations.
- ✓ • **Review funding options** that support sustainable infrastructure development and ongoing capital maintenance.

APPENDIX

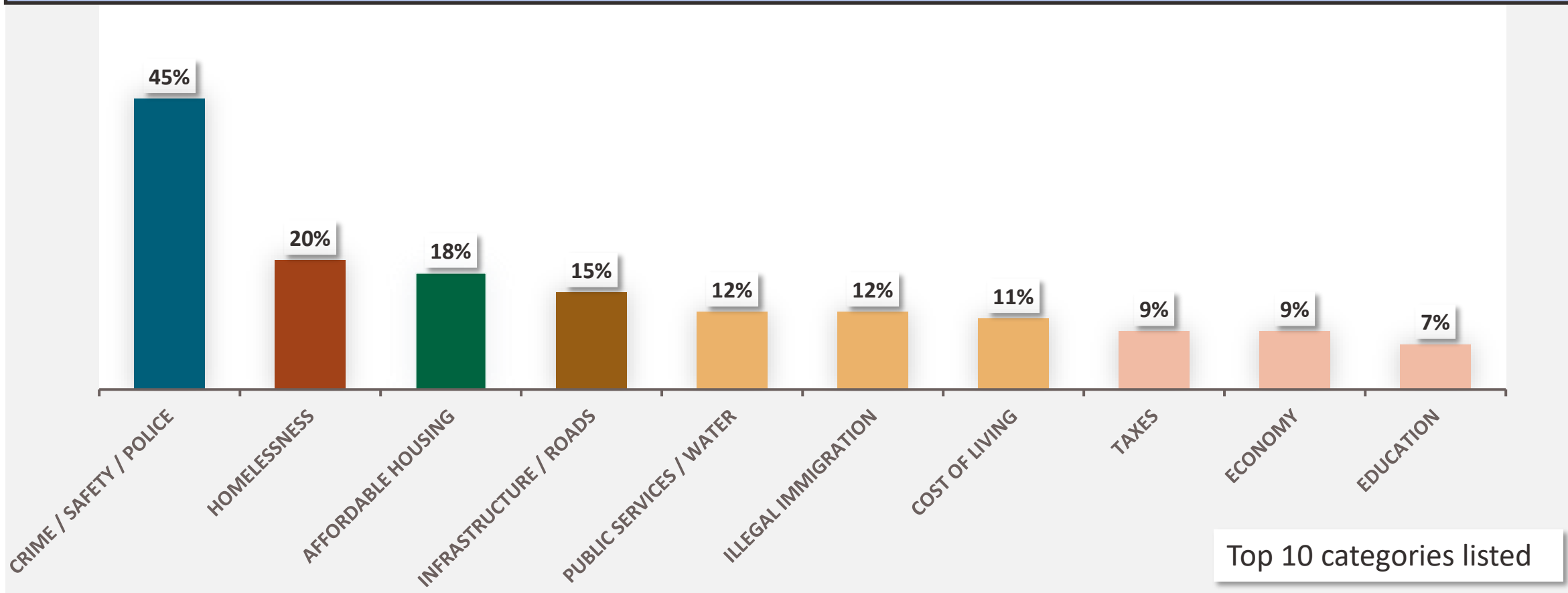


Build Up Aurora Bond Proposal Poll Presentation April 28, 2026

***The Aurora Bond Measures Poll** — April 2026 results are based on a hybrid poll (phone and text-to-online) of 800 likely November 2026 voters in the City of Aurora. The respondents in this poll are distributed to accurately represent voters in the City of Aurora based on party registration, gender, age, and ethnicity. The worst-case margin of error at the 95% level for the full sample of 800 respondents is plus or minus 3.5%. For split-samples on the ballot measure amounts — where half the sample heard a smaller amount and half heard a larger, the margin of error is plus or minus 4.9 percentage points. The poll was conducted from April 12-15, 2026, by Keating Research.*

The most important issue in the City of Aurora is crime / safety / not enough police

What are the most important issues or challenges facing the City of Aurora?



Transportation Bonds Measure: Split test of \$80 million bond (1 cent tax on \$10 purchase) and \$140 million bond (1.8 cent tax on \$10 purchase)

Split A: \$80 million bond and 1 cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$80,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$130,000,000** for the purpose of funding transportation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Traffic, intersection, and pedestrian safety improvements;
- Major bridge **replacement**
- Roadway improvements and expansion;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$10,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and transportation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.1%** sales and use tax, which is **1** cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

Split B: \$140 million bond and 1.8 cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$140,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$225,000,000** for the purpose of funding transportation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Traffic, intersection, and pedestrian safety improvements;
- Major bridge **replacements**
- Roadway improvements and expansion;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$20,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and transportation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.18%** sales and use tax, which is **1.8** cents on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

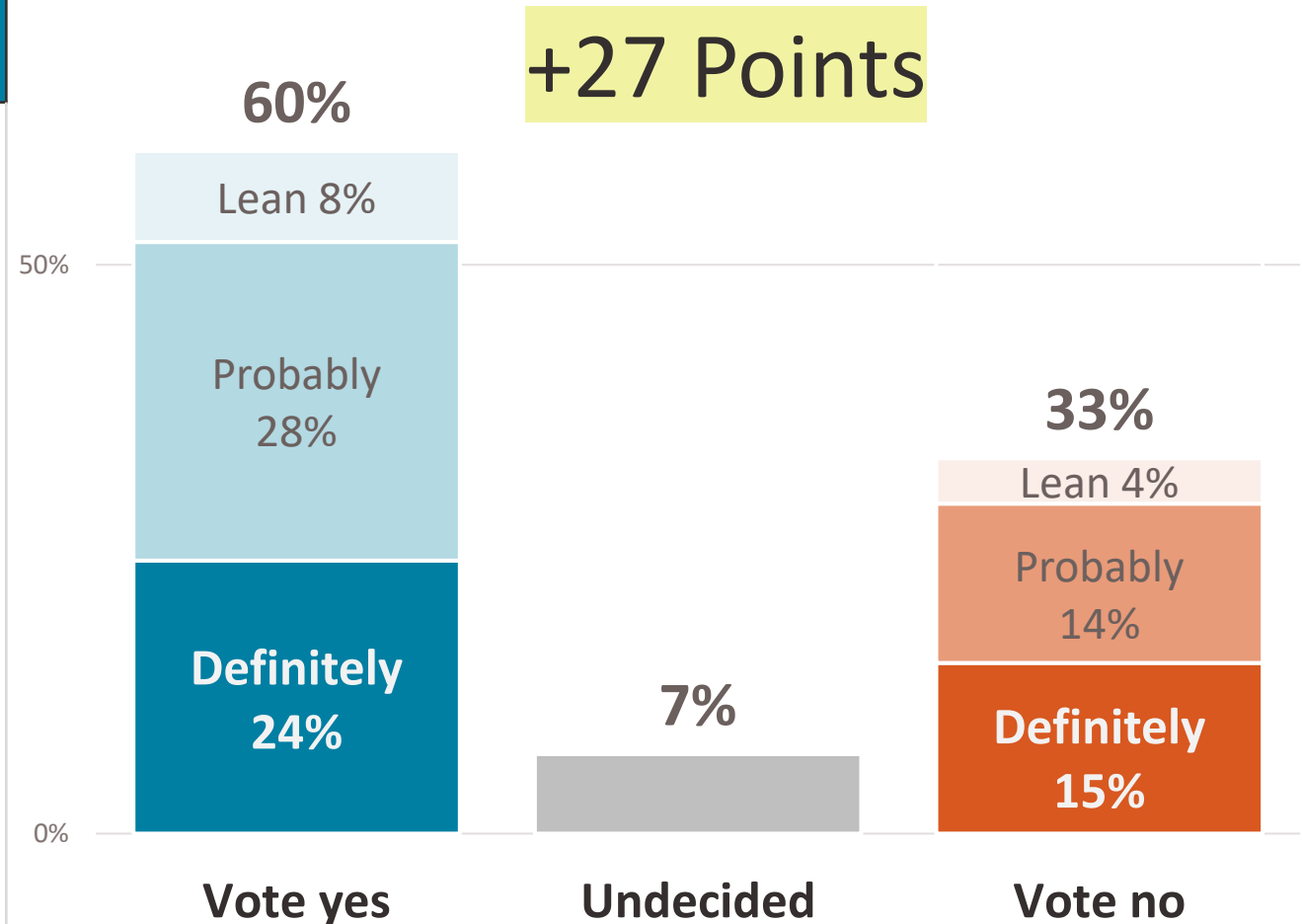
Transportation Bonds Measure: On the smaller \$80 million bond, a majority 60% will vote yes

Split A: \$80 million and 1 cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$80,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of \$130,000,000 for the purpose of funding transportation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Traffic, intersection, and pedestrian safety improvements;
- Major bridge replacement
- Roadway improvements and expansion;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by \$10,000,000 annually to pay such debt, and transportation capital improvements and repairs from a 0.1% sales and use tax, which is 1 cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.



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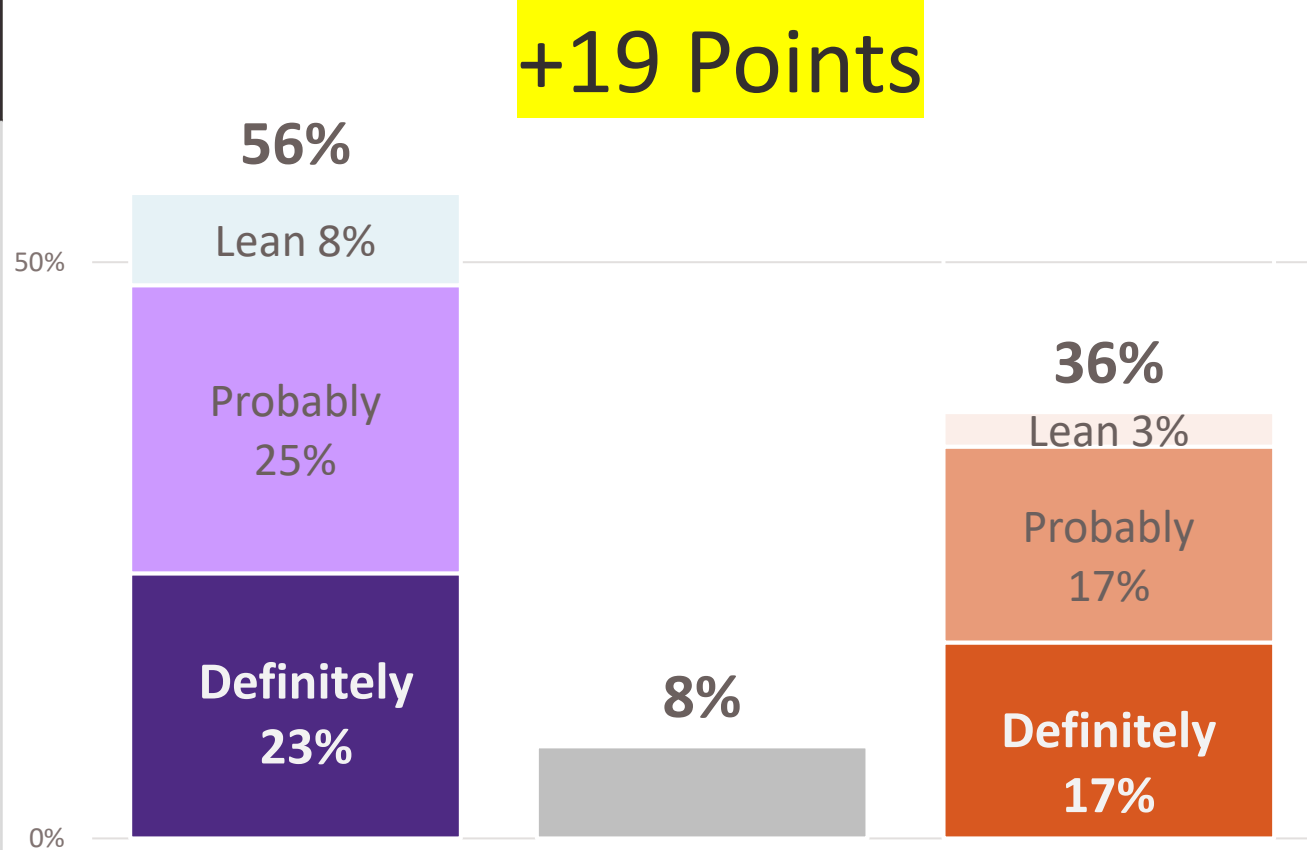
Transportation Bonds Measure: On the larger \$140 million bond, a majority 56% will vote yes

Split B: \$130 million and 1.8 cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$140,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$225,000,000** for the purpose of funding transportation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Traffic, intersection, and pedestrian safety improvements;
- Major bridge **replacements**
- Roadway improvements and expansion;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$20,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and transportation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.18%** sales and use tax, which is **1.8** cents on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

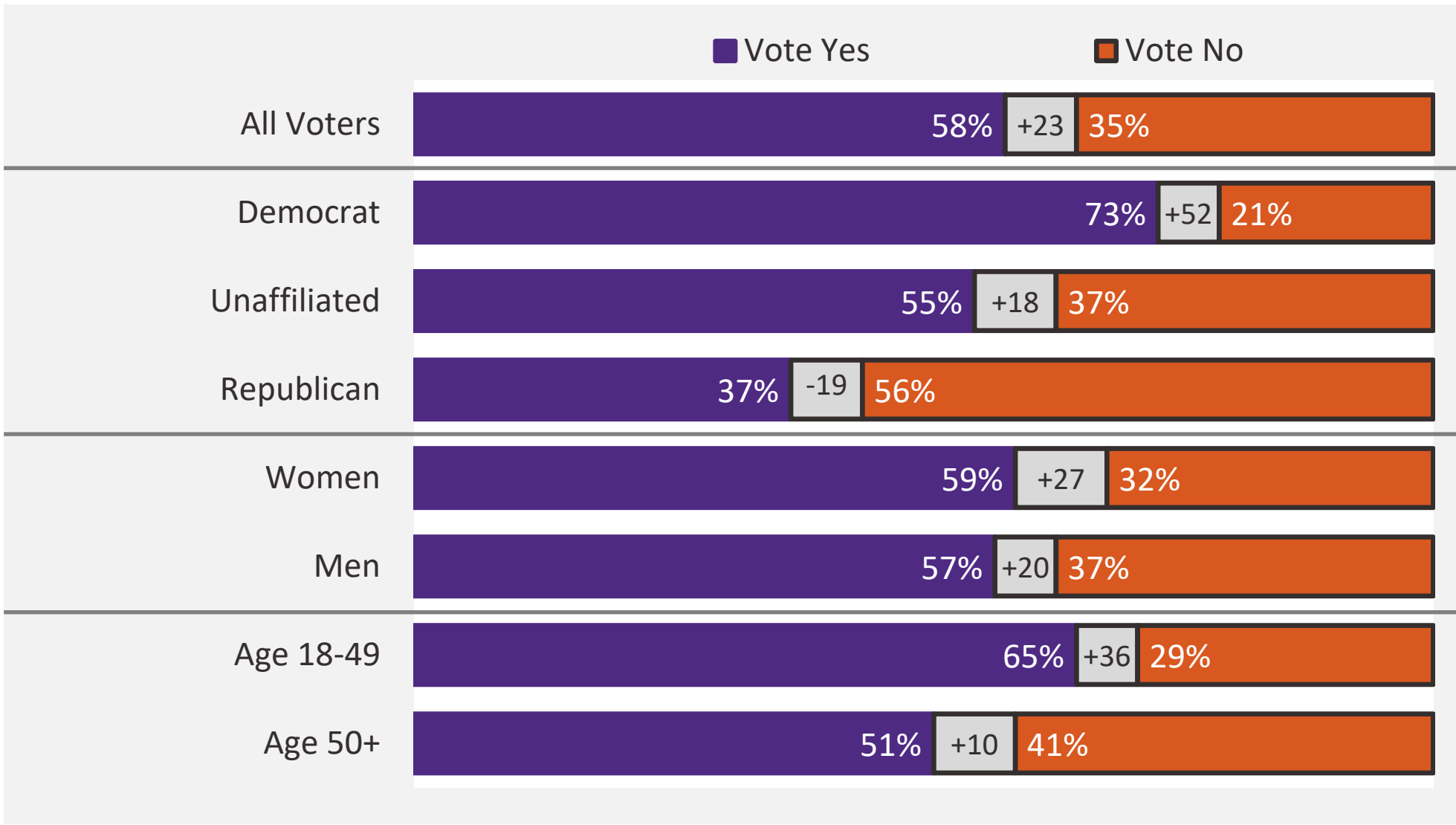


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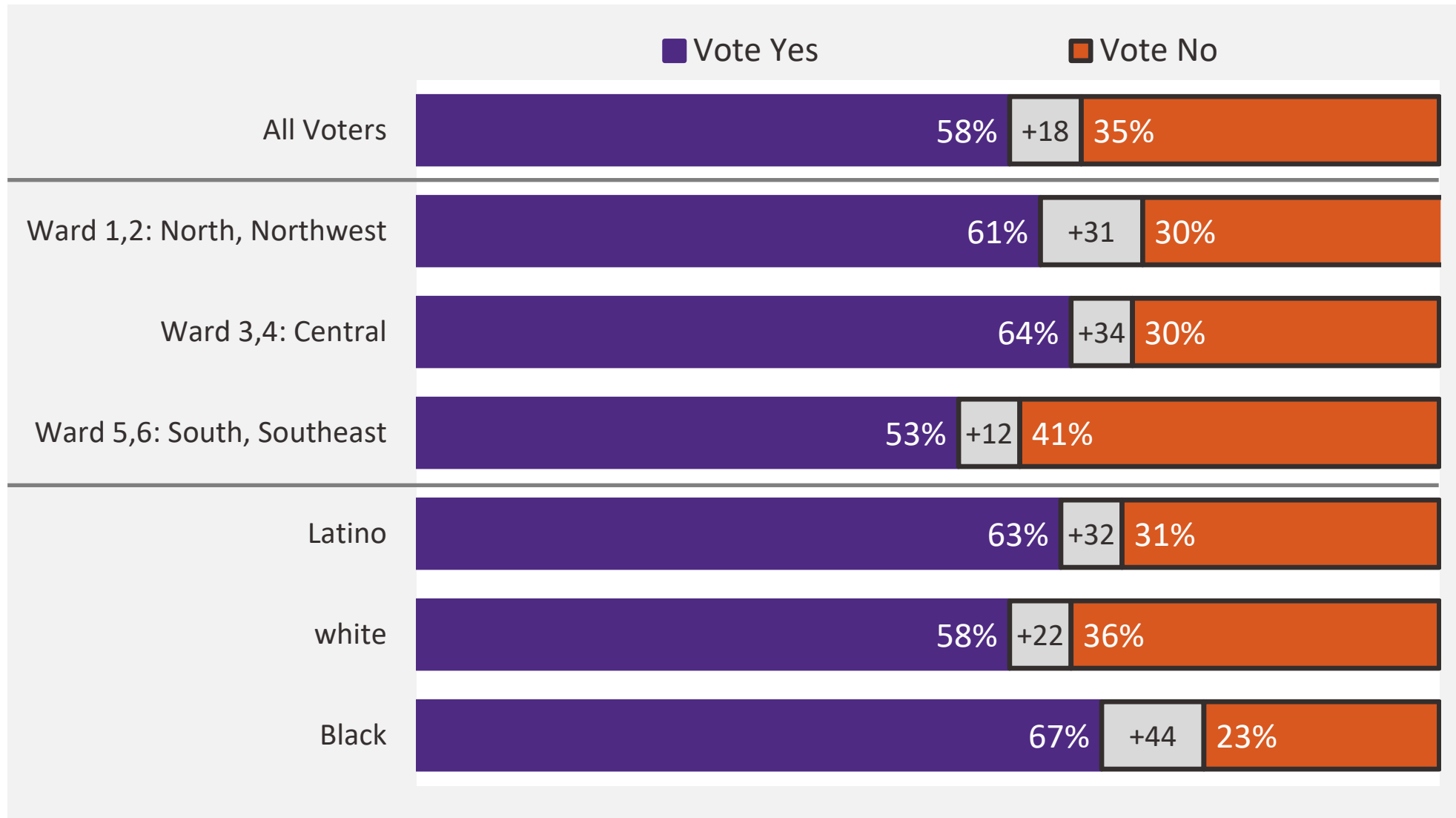
Transportation Bonds Measure: Base of support is with Democrats and Younger Voters

Combined Results For Split A & Split B Versions



Transportation Bonds Measure: Majority support across all regions and among Latino, Black and white voters

Combined Results For Split A & Split B Versions



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Bonds Measure: Split test of \$80 million bond (1 cent tax on \$10 purchase) and \$100 million bond (1.3 cent tax on \$10 purchase)

Split A: \$80 million bond and 1 cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$80,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$130,000,000** for the purpose of funding parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Park renovations and new park construction;
- Recreation center improvements;
- Improvements to the Aurora Reservoir that enhance access and amenities;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$10,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.1%** sales and use tax, which is 1 cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

Split B: \$100 million bond and 1.3 cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$100,000,000**, with a maximum repayment cost of **\$160,000,000** for the purpose of funding parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Park renovations and new park construction;
- Recreation center improvements **and new recreation center construction**;
- Improvements to the Aurora Reservoir that enhance access and amenities;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$12,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.13%** sales and use tax, which is **1.3** cents on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

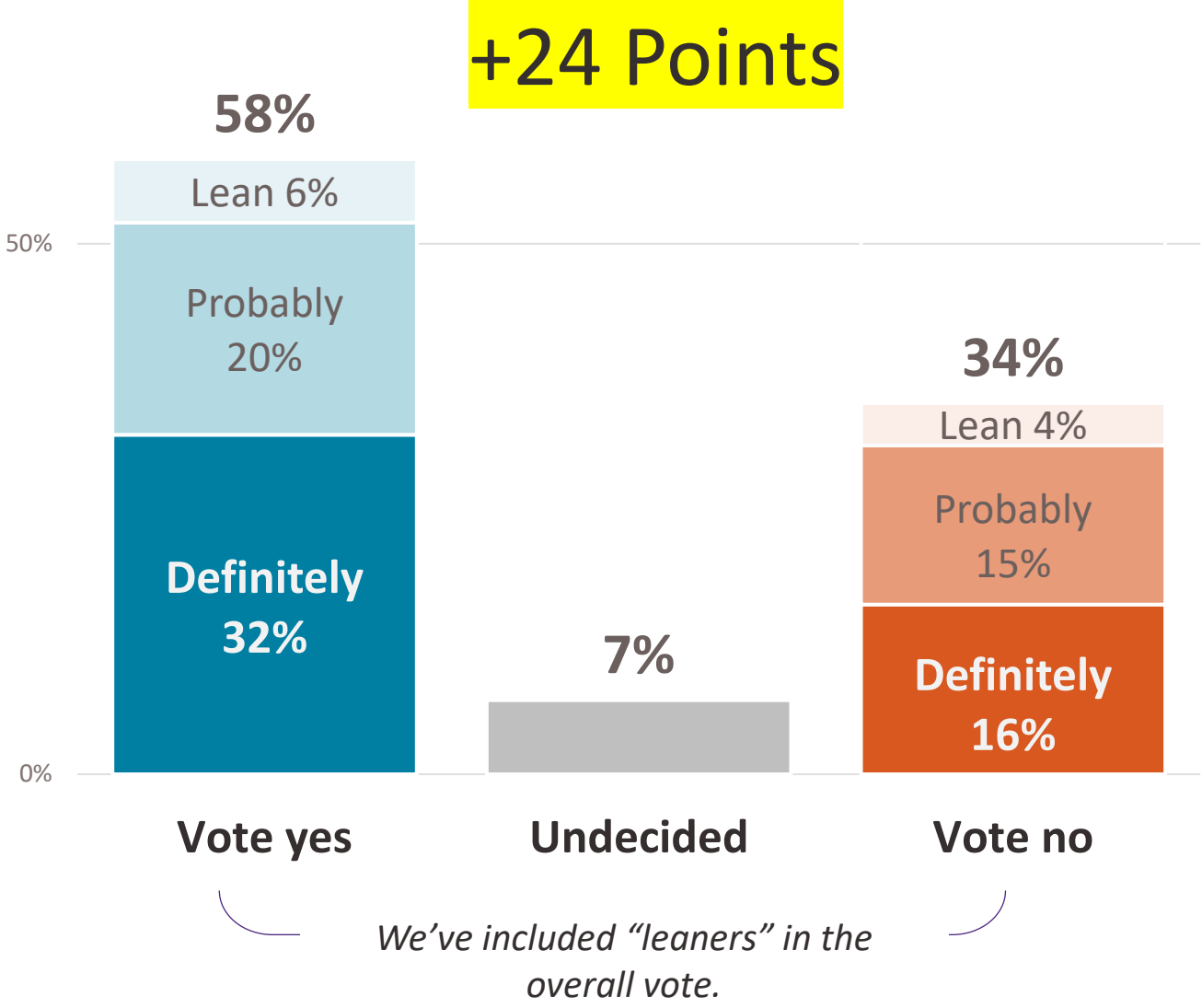
Parks, Recreation and Open Space Bonds Measure: On the smaller \$80 million bond, a majority 58% will vote yes

Split A: \$80 million and 1 cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$80,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$130,000,000** for the purpose of funding parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Park renovations and new park construction;
- Recreation center improvements;
- Improvements to the Aurora Reservoir that enhance access and amenities;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$10,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.1%** sales and use tax, which is 1 cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Bonds Measure: On the larger \$100 million bond, a majority 55% will vote yes

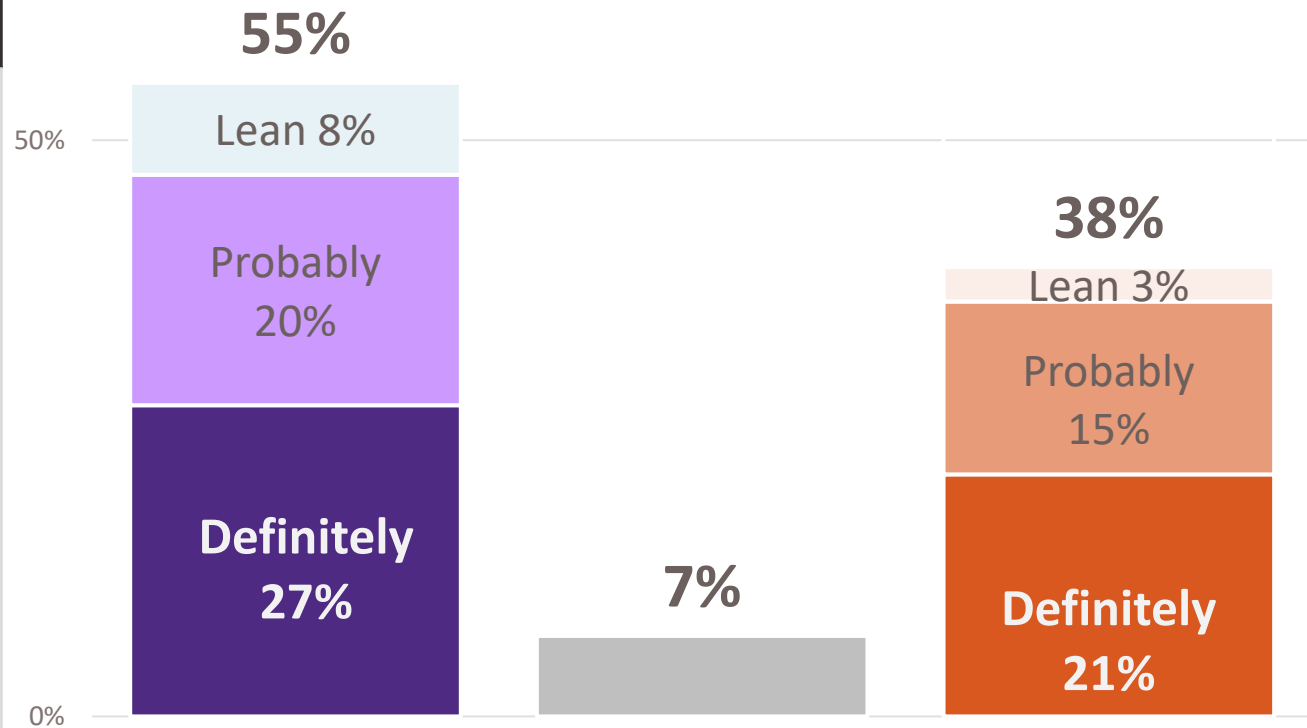
Split B: \$100 million and 1.3 cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$100,000,000**, with a maximum repayment cost of **\$160,000,000** for the purpose of funding parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs including:

- Park renovations and new park construction;
- Recreation center improvements **and new recreation center construction**;
- Improvements to the Aurora Reservoir that enhance access and amenities;

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$12,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and parks and recreation capital improvements and repairs from a **0.13%** sales and use tax, which is **1.3** cents on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

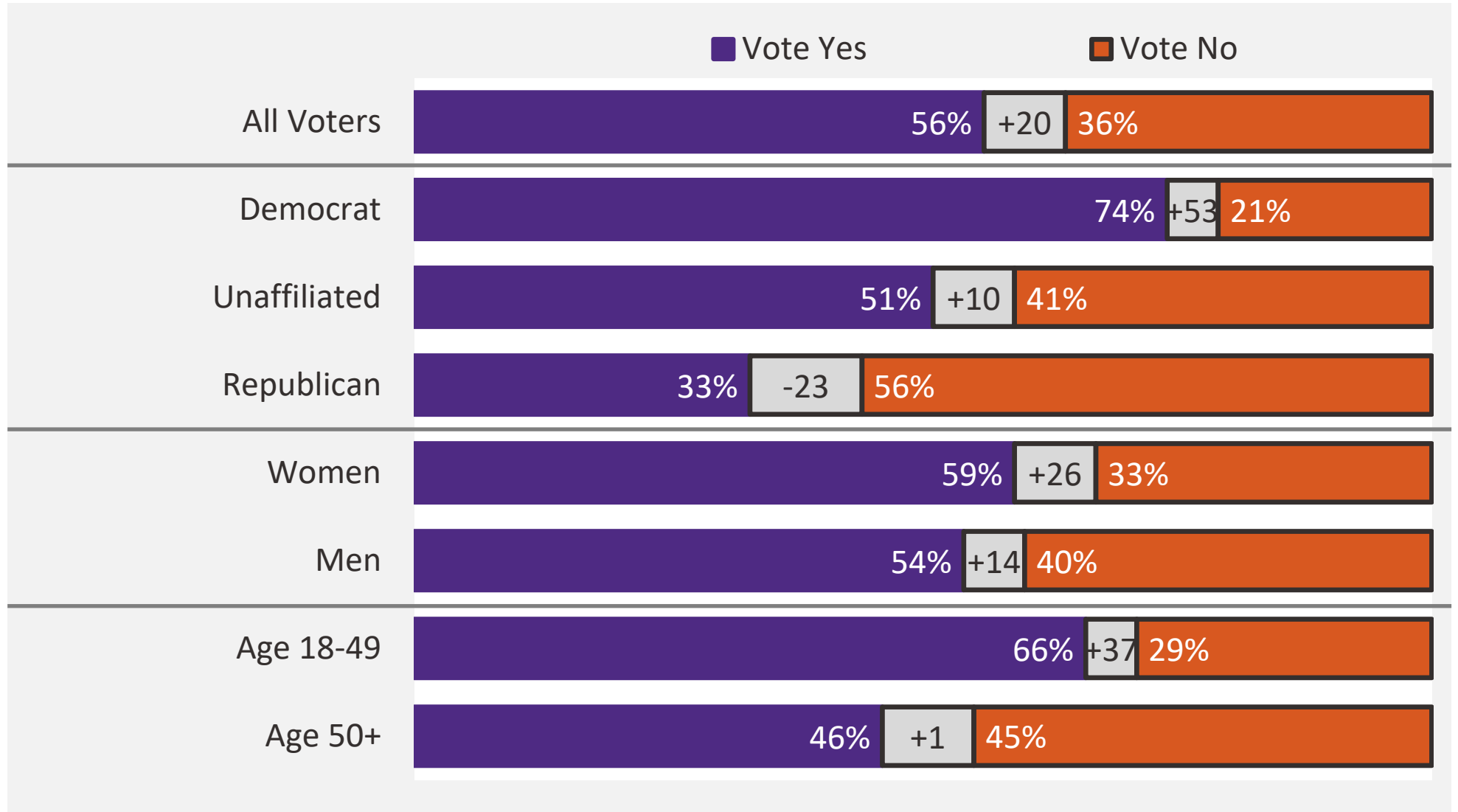
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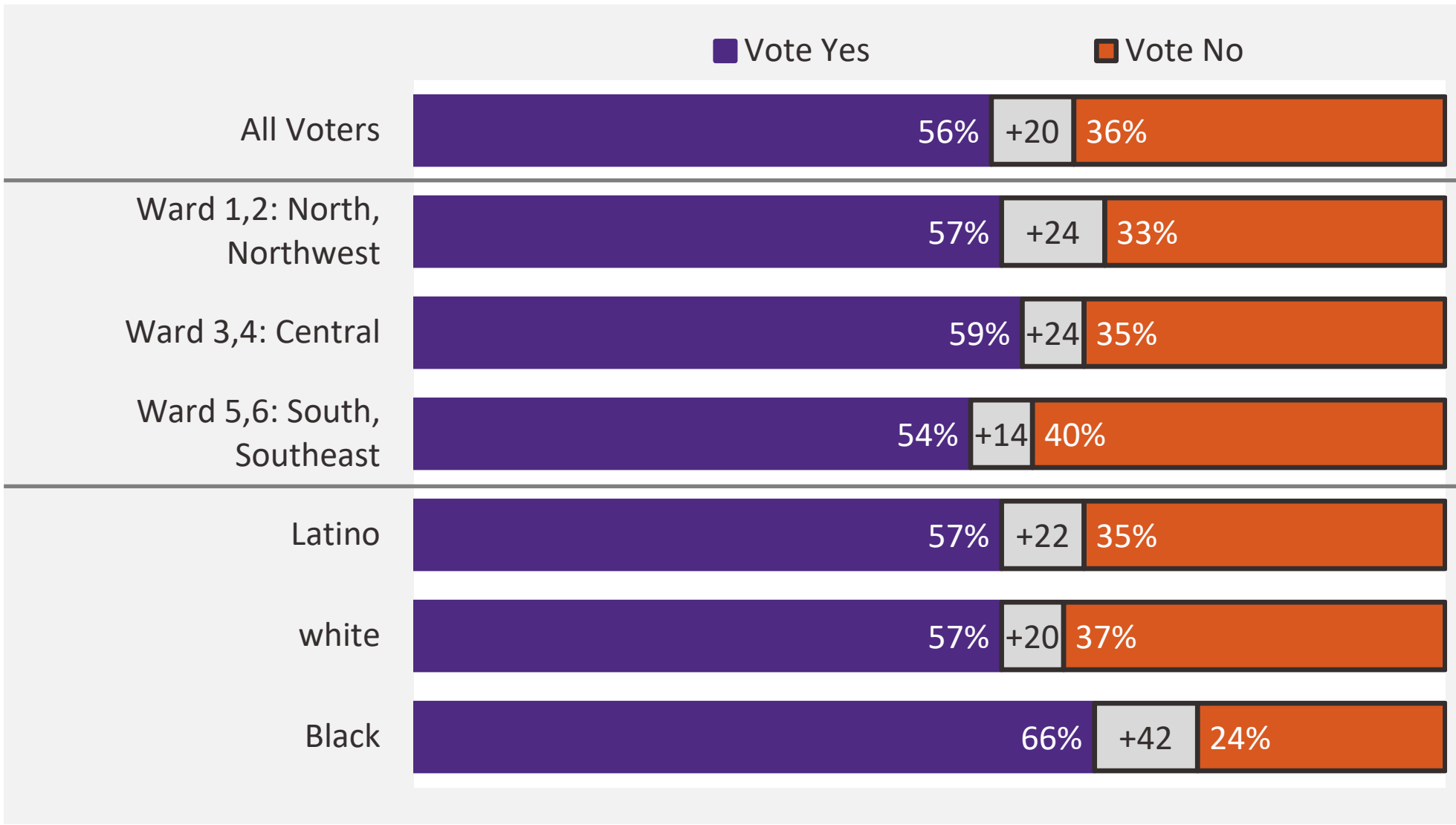
Parks, Recreation and Open Space Bonds Measure: Base of support is with Democrats and Younger Voters

Combined Results For Split A & Split B Versions



Parks, Recreation and Open Space Bonds Measure: Support solid throughout all regions

Combined Results For Split A & Split B Versions



Public Facilities Bonds Measure: Split test of \$42 million bond (half cent tax on \$10 purchase) and \$65 million bond (about one cent tax on \$10 purchase)

Split A: \$42 million bond and half cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$42,000,000**, with a maximum repayment cost of **\$69,000,000** for the purpose of funding public facilities capital improvements and repairs including:

- Fire station renovations, remodels
- Library branch improvements and new library construction
- Aurora 911 and police facilities improvements

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$5,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and public facilities capital improvements and repairs from a **0.05%** sales and use tax, which is a half cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

Split B: \$65 million bond and 1 cent sales tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$65,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$104,000,000** for the purpose of funding public facilities capital improvements and repairs including:

- Fire station renovations, remodels **and new fire station construction**
- Library branch improvements and new library construction
- Aurora 911 and police facilities improvements

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$8,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and public facilities capital improvements and repairs from a **0.09%** sales and use tax, which is about one cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.

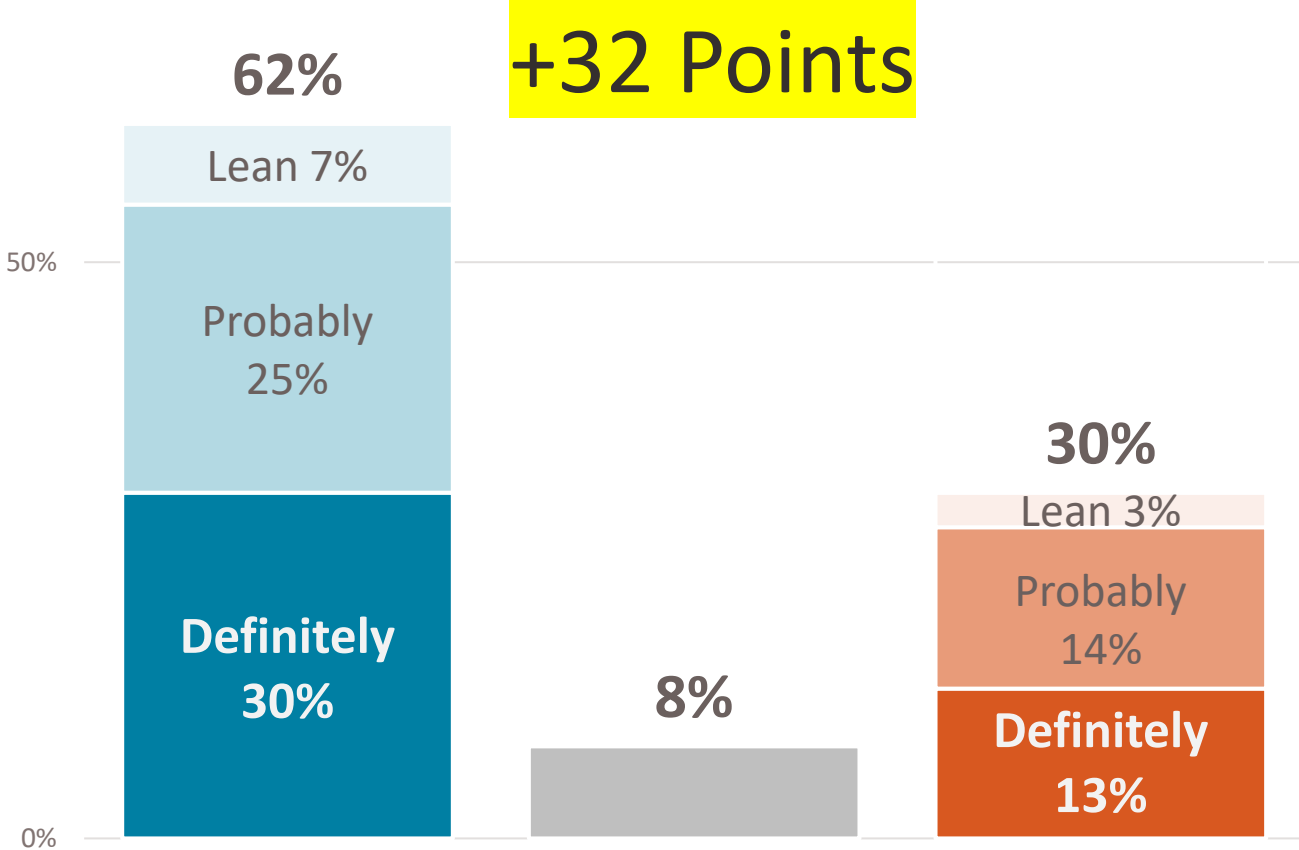
Public Facilities Bonds Measure: On the smaller \$42 million bond, a majority 62% will vote yes

Split A: \$42 million and half cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$42,000,000**, with a maximum repayment cost of **\$69,000,000** for the purpose of funding public facilities capital improvements and repairs including:

- Fire station renovations, remodels
- Library branch improvements and new library construction
- Aurora 911 and police facilities improvements

And shall City of Aurora taxes be increased by **\$5,000,000** annually to pay such debt, and public facilities capital improvements and repairs from a **0.05%** sales and use tax, which is a half cent on a ten-dollar purchase, and with the tax increase expiring in twenty years.



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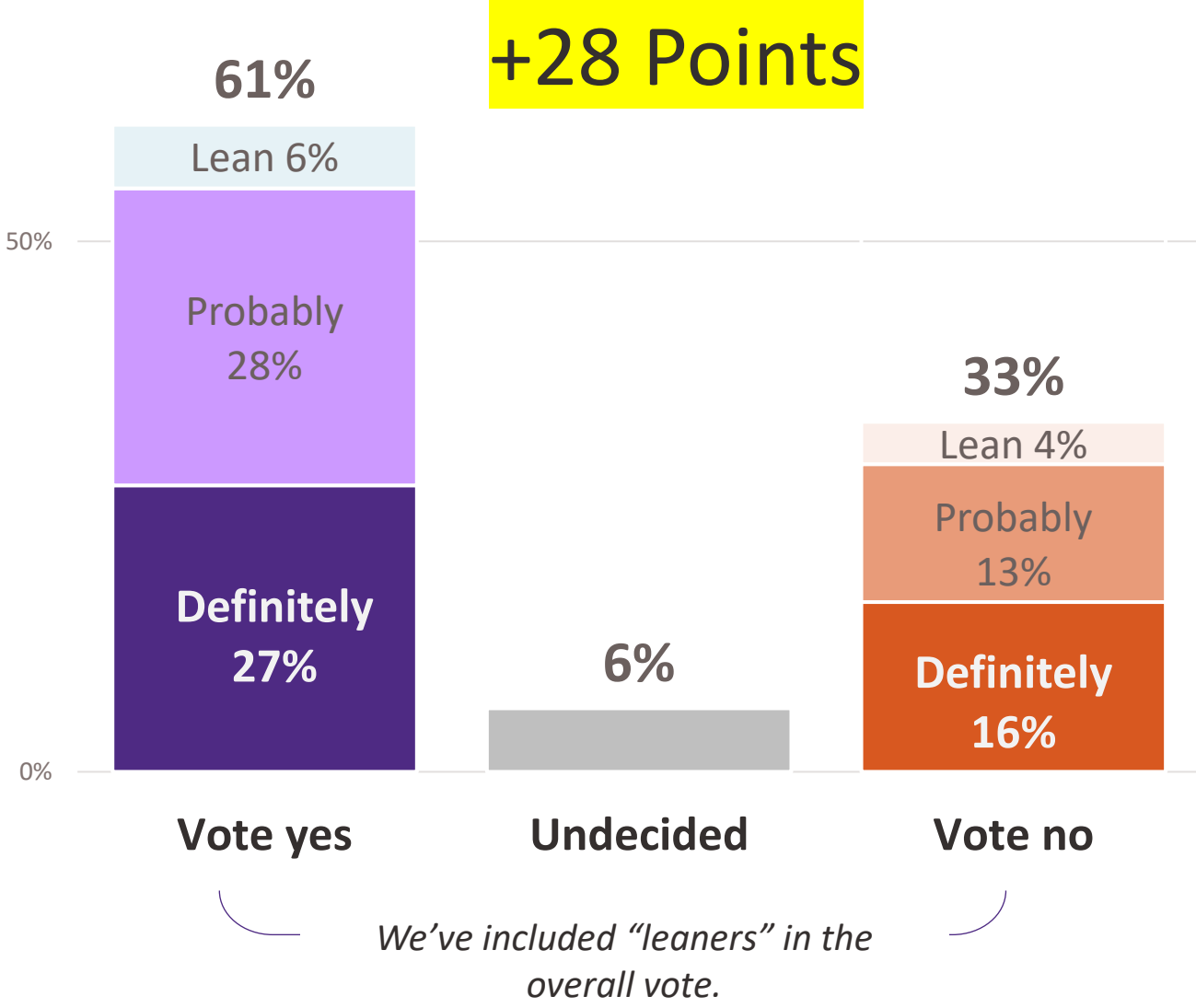
Public Facilities Bonds Measure: Support is the same on the larger \$65 million bond, a majority 61% will vote yes.

Split B: \$65 million and 1 cent sales and use tax

Shall City of Aurora debt be increased by **\$65,000,000** with a maximum repayment cost of **\$104,000,000** for the purpose of funding public facilities capital improvements and repairs including:

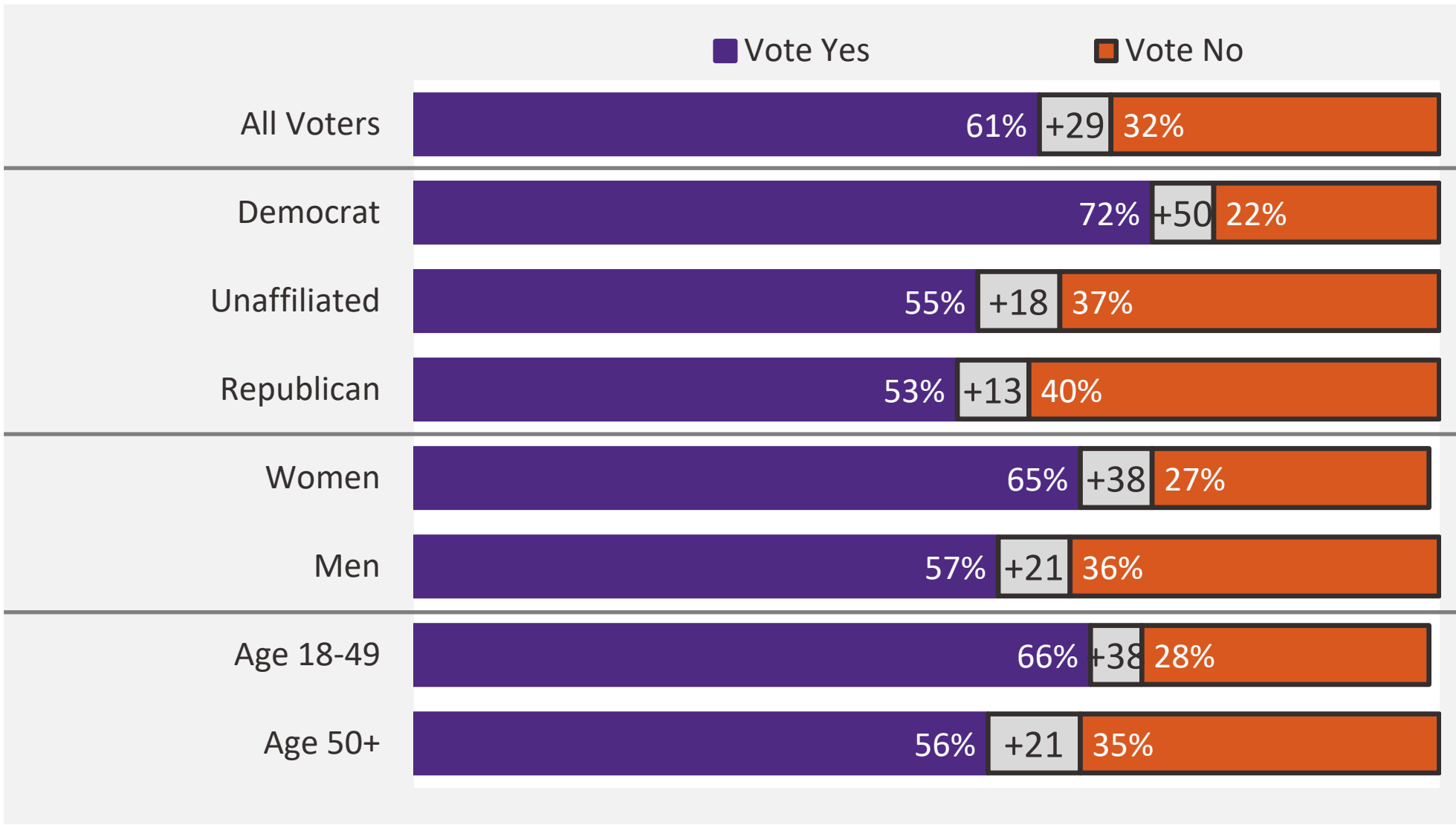
- Fire station renovations, remodels **and new fire station construction**
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- Aurora 911 and police facilities improvements

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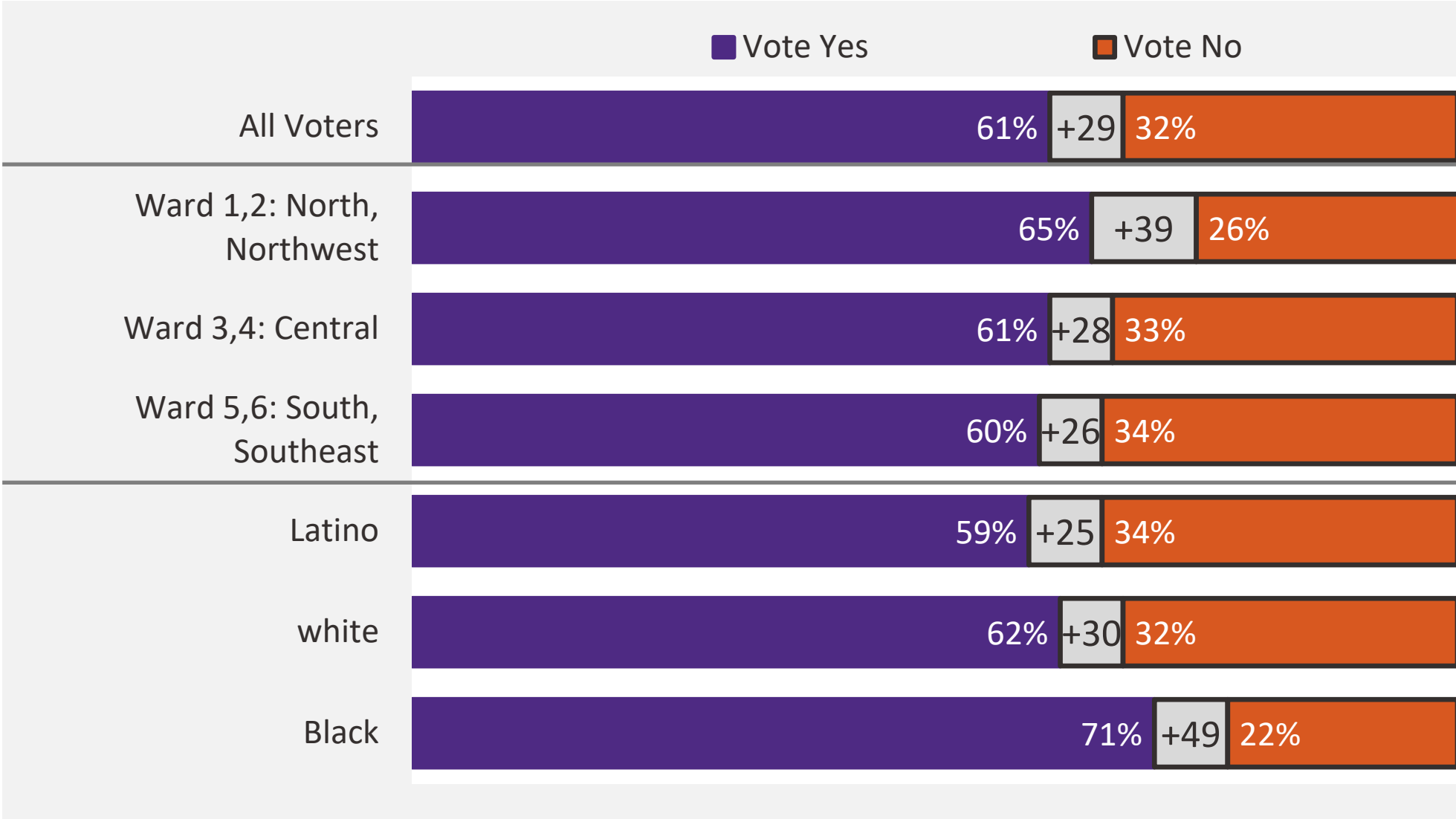
Public Facilities Bonds Measure: Base of support is with ALL voter groups, including Republicans

Combined Results For Split A & Split B Versions



Public Facilities Bonds Measure: Broad support across all regions and subgroups

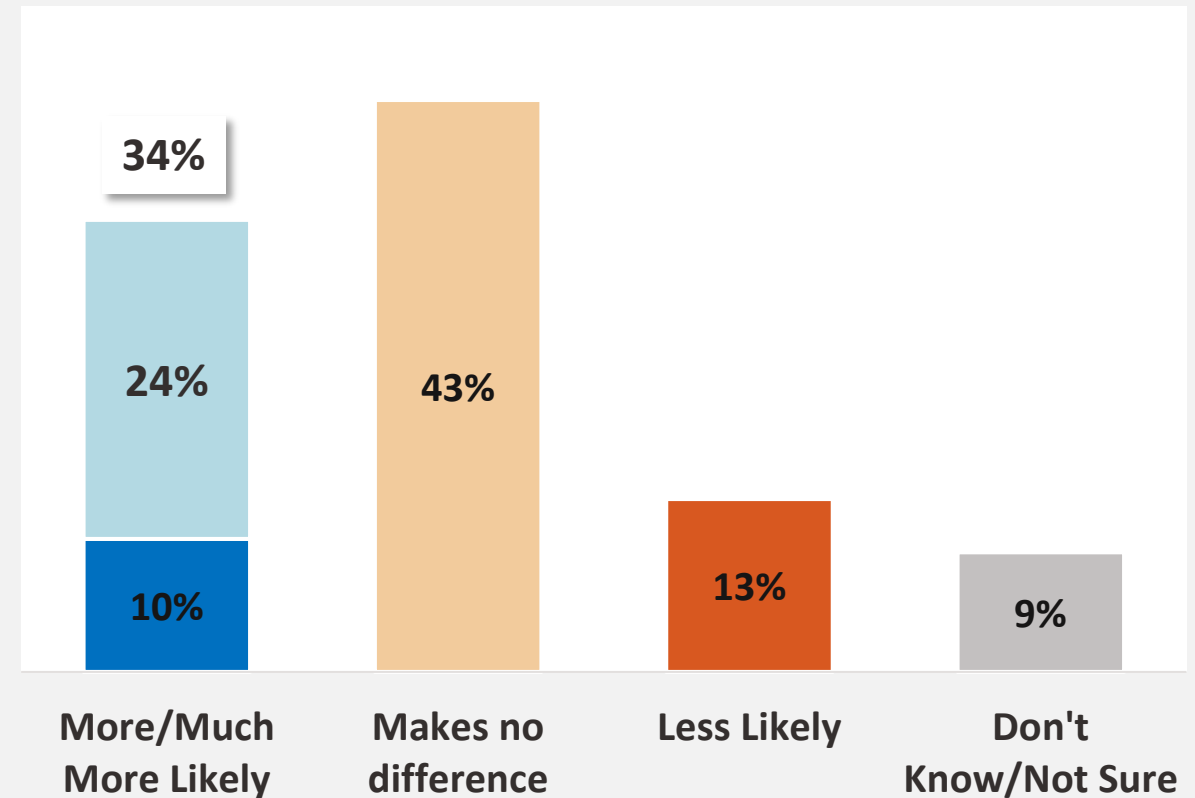
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Including a **sunset provision** in the measure doesn't really help to persuade voters to support it

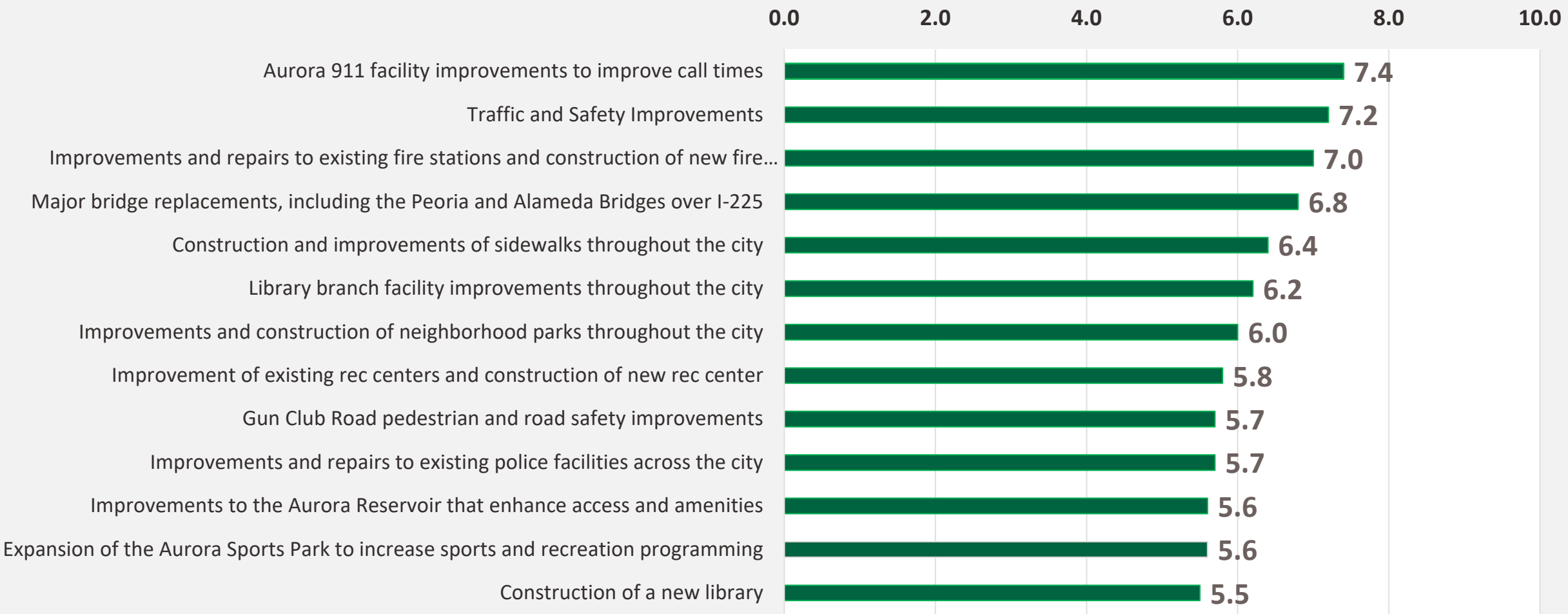
Sunset Provision

Now I'd like to tell you more about the Aurora Bond Proposal. The sales tax increase expires automatically in twenty years. Does this make you more likely or less likely to support the ballot measures in the Aurora Bond Proposal?



Ranking of Specific Projects: Aurora voters prioritize projects that improve safety

How important it is to fund each one of these on a scale of 0-10? (10 being the most important)





Build Up Aurora Bond Proposal Poll Presentation April 28, 2026

***The Aurora Bond Measures Poll** — April 2026 results are based on a hybrid poll (phone and text-to-online) of 800 likely November 2026 voters in the City of Aurora. The respondents in this poll are distributed to accurately represent voters in the City of Aurora based on party registration, gender, age, and ethnicity. The worst-case margin of error at the 95% level for the full sample of 800 respondents is plus or minus 3.5%. For split-samples on the ballot measure amounts — where half the sample heard a smaller amount and half heard a larger, the margin of error is plus or minus 4.9 percentage points. The poll was conducted from April 12-15, 2026, by Keating Research.*