

FORECAST UPDATE

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FY 2020-21 PERFORMANCE



- Revenues overall above budget
 - Farebox below budget
 - Sales Tax revenues better than expected
- Expenses overall below budget
 - Labor expenses close to budget
 - Non-Labor expenses below budget
- Expected year-end surplus will help with deficit in coming year budget



MAKING IT THROUGH FY 2020-21





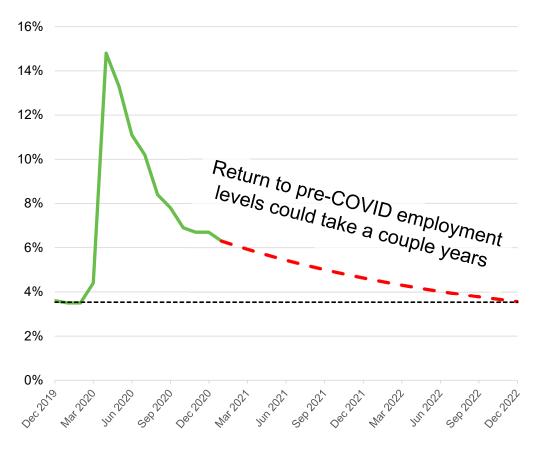
- CARES Act funds "rescued" FY 20-21 Budget
 - About 20% of total budget (\$84M)
- Economy won't be back to "normal" by
 July 2021
- Sales taxes doing well but still below pre-pandemic levels
- Ridership/Farebox below expectations

MAKING IT BEYOND FY 2020-21?



- When will shelter-in-place orders end?
- When will people feel comfortable riding transit?
- Transbay ridership likely to be much lower for a while
- Full recovery could take 2 years or more

Unemployment Rate with Recovery Projection



Unemployment data - Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

FY 2021-22 FORECAST UPDATE



Forecast Update Overview

- Prior forecast assumed quicker return to pre-pandemic levels
- Farebox revenue now expected to stay lower for a while
- Sales tax revenues didn't drop as much as forecast, but recovery will be slower
- Property tax only category with increase



FY 2021-22 FORECAST UPDATE - DETAILS



Revenues (\$millions)	Nov Workshop	Feb Update	Change	What changed from Nov?
Farebox	46.8	27.2	(19.6)	Ridership/farebox less than forecast, slower growth expected
Other	19.2	16.1	(3.1)	Secondary effects of less optimistic ridership forecast
	\$66.0	\$43.3	(22.6)	
Sales Tax	187.6	171.7	(15.9)	Prior forecast was too optimistic on return to pre- COVID level
STA	28.2	23.9	(4.4)	Prior forecast was too optimistic on return to pre- COVID level
Prop & Parcel Tax	144.9	148.3	3.4	County Assessor forecasts positive
Other Fed, State, Local	29.9	22.1	(7.8)	Prior forecast was too optimistic on return to pre- COVID level
	\$390.7	366.1	(24.6)	
Total Revenues	\$456.7	\$409.4	(47.3)	

FY 2021-22 FORECAST UPDATE CONT'D



- Baseline FY 21-22 Revenue forecast is \$47.3M worse than November
 Now consider:
- Does <u>not</u> include CRRSAA funding
- Expecting FY 2020-21 surplus
- Expense forecast also changes for the better



FY 2021-22 FORECAST UPDATE – HIGH LEVEL



(\$millions)	Nov Workshop	Feb Update	Change	What changed from Nov?
Revenues	\$456.7	\$409.4	(47.3)	(See prior slides)
Expenses	480.2	469.6	(10.6)	 Current year expenses less than forecast – reduce for FY 21-22 This assumes <u>same reduced</u> level of service
Surplus/(Deficit)	(23.6)	(60.2)	(36.7)	

Does not include CRRSAA funds, surplus

FY 2021-22 FORECAST UPDATE - RECOVERY?





What is needed for FY 2021-22?

- CRRSAA Funding of \$60M+
- Possibly use of FY 2020-21 surplus

Will know more about CRRSAA funds in early March

LOOKING FURTHER OUT - FY 2022-23

- Assuming the same reduced service level,
 expenses increase at least 3% from FY 2021 22 to FY 2022-23
- Absent another (3rd) federal stimulus,
 revenues will need to increase at least 18%
 to match



NEXT STEPS



 FY 2021-22 Operating Budget and future service plans will depend on CRRSAA allocation

District budget process can start
with staff estimates on revenue
and expense levels and adjust
with more data

