

City of Oakridge City Council Work Session Public Safety Fee

April 7, 2022





Public Safety Fee 101

- Ordinance 937 Establishes a Fee to Fund Public Safety Services.
- A Resolution sets the annual fees aka “Fee Schedule” which are considered “Revenues.” (Fee: \$22/month = \$264 annual)
- Funds generated are categorized as “General Fund” and can be allocated for any public safety purpose.
- Funds have been allocated to Emergency Services Special Fund to offset increasing cost of providing ambulance services.
- Fees were collected for first time starting in December 2021.
- Enforcement is limited to a lien placed on property. No liens have been executed.

Public Safety Fee Revenue



• Fees in Adopted Budget FY 2021-22:	\$475,000
• *Collected Fees Q2-Q3:	\$78,000
• Total Projected Fees for FY 2021-22:	\$157,000
• Projected Deficit:	\$(240,000)

- *Estimated Exemptions: 273
- \$2,200 = Per trip cost to transport patient



Public Safety Fee | Next Steps

- Proposed FY 2022-23 Budget – April 18
- Review Ordinance 937; Pro Tem to recommend changes
- Short Term: Review of other revenue sources, reductions to fund emergency services, schedule changes, and PT staff.
- Budget Committee to review proposal April 25
- All options are on the table...
- Long Term: Create a funding strategy for sustained operations