



FARMERS BRANCH
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BUDGET DISCUSSION FY 2026-27

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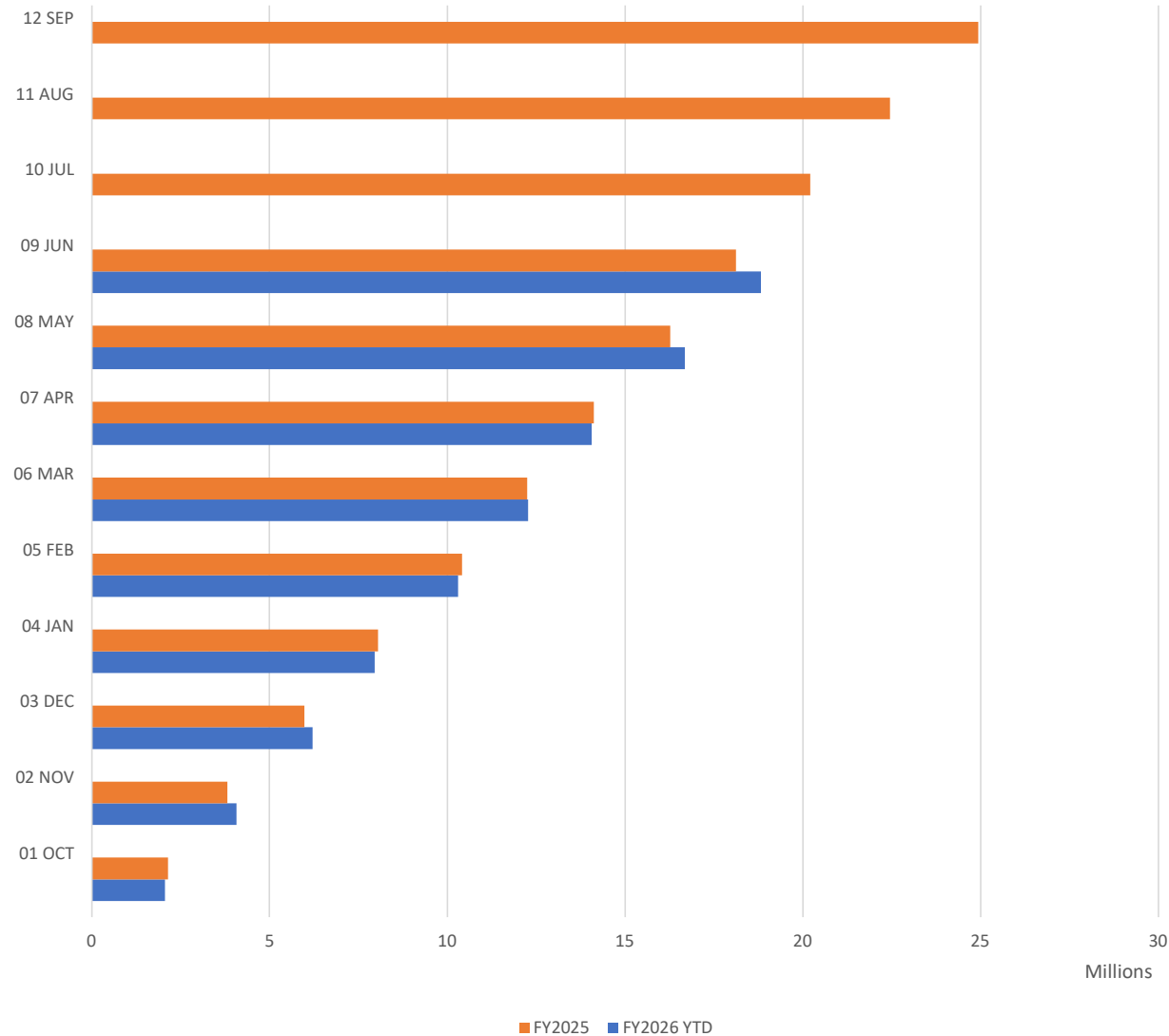
BUDGET DISCUSSION TOPICS

Farmers Branch FY 27 Budget Workshop

- ☒ Budget Overview/Process
- ☒ Strategic Budget Priorities
- ☒ Infrastructure
- ☒ Investment in Community-Centered
Projects/Contracts
- ☒ Grants
- ☒ Fee
- ☐ Revenue/Expenditure Updates
- ☐ Tax Rate
- ☒ Staffing & Compensation
- ☐ Employee Benefits



Year-Over-Year Sales Tax Collections



FY 2026-27

SALES TAX

- Strong year-over-year collections continue
- Projected FY 2026 collections of \$25.6 million
 - \$24.9 million in FY 2025
- Continued commercial activity and redevelopment support long-term growth
- FY27 Proposed Revenue remains stable given continued economic uncertainty

FY 2026-27

Understanding Farmers Branch Utility Rates

- **Why are Farmers Branch rates higher ?**
 - Debt-Free Strategy
 - Aging Infrastructure and Capital Needs

\$0

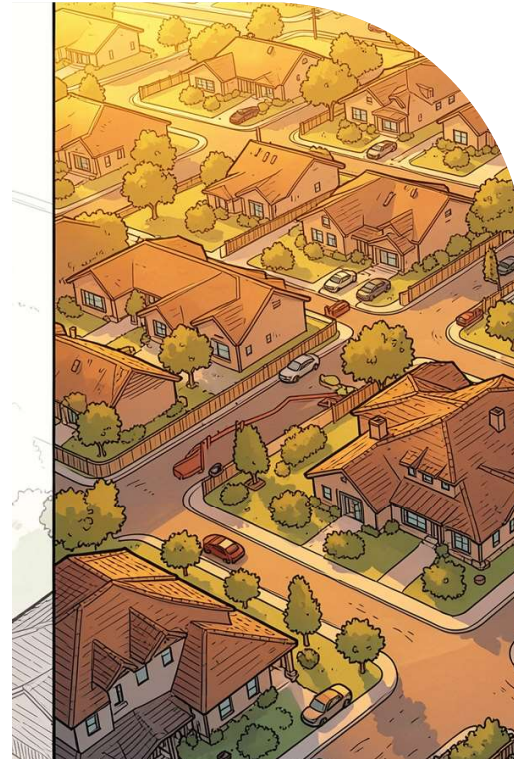
Utility Debt
No bond payments

\$12.8M

FY27 Investment
Infrastructure funding

\$118

Average
Monthly Bill
Residential (8,300 gal)

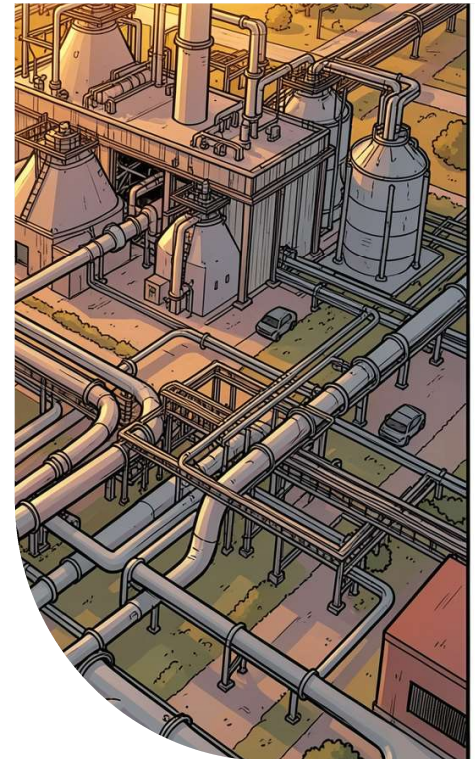


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Understanding Farmers Branch Utility Rates

- Debt Service Comparison**

City	FY25/26 Debt Service	Total Outstanding Debt – Water/Wastewater
Farmers Branch	\$0	\$0
Carrollton	1.4M	24M
Addison	1.8M	16M
Coppell	2.4M	26M



BUDGET PRIORITIES

✓ PUBLIC SAFETY

- ❑ **Pedestrian Traffic Improvements = 1.8MM** – Implement priority safety, mobility, and pedestrian infrastructure improvements identified through the City's traffic assessment. Investments will enhance pedestrian connectivity, improve accessibility and public safety, modernize traffic control infrastructure, and ensure compliance with federal standards.

✓ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & NEIGHBORHOODS

- ❑ ~~Firehouse Theatre Sponsorship = \$25k~~ – for facility enhancements in lobby and kitchen area.
- ❑ **Community Garden** – Utilize community partnerships, volunteer support, donations, and in-kind contributions to minimize City costs while enhancing neighborhood engagement.
- ❑ **Minor Home Repair / Code Cares** – Continue neighborhood revitalization efforts through existing funding allocations by assisting eligible homeowners with health, safety, accessibility, and property maintenance improvements.

✓ INFRASTRUCTURE

- ❑ **City's aging infrastructure = \$9MM to 12.8MM** – Increase in investment in water/wastewater infrastructure
Water rates increase by 12%
- ❑ **IT Maintenance = \$150K** – to support ongoing technology modernization efforts through proactive maintenance.
- ❑ **City Facilities' Maintenance** – Utilize existing facility maintenance funding to prioritize necessary upgrades based on results of FY26 Facilities Assessment.

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Questions

