



City of Chicago Budget Town Hall Survey

Disclaimer: Please note that the information contained in this survey reflects a broad view of the City of Chicago budget and in no way is intended to capture the full details of the budget. These questions are intended to gather general information regarding high level programmatic funding priorities. The budgeted amounts included in the survey represent approximate 2019 budget levels across all funds for the presented program areas, and do not reflect the entirety of the City's budget. Please go to the City of Chicago's Office of Budget and Management website for full information on current annual appropriation levels at: <https://www.chicago.gov/obm>



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Next month, the City of Chicago will hold Budget Town Halls to solicit input from the community about the upcoming budget for the City. The Town Halls will provide residents with an opportunity to give feedback and ask questions related to the City's 2020 budget.

Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot and the City's Budget Director, Susie Park, will welcome participants and provide a brief overview of how the City's budget functions and how funds are utilized.

To guide the information covered in the Town Halls, the City is requesting your input. Please complete the survey below to help inform these sessions.

Note that the City of Chicago budget does not include the budgets of the Chicago Public Schools, City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago Park District, Chicago Housing Authority, and the Chicago Transit Agency.

* 1. What is your zip code?

* 2. What information related to the City's revenue sources are you most interested in? (select all that apply)

- Garage Parking Tax
- Ridesharing Tax
- Alcohol Tax
- Tax on Sporting Events, Theater Productions and Other Entertainment Activities
- Cigarette Tax
- Hotel Tax
- Other (please specify)
- Shopping Bag Tax
- Property Tax
- Sales Tax
- Permit Fees
- License Fees

* 3. What information related to the City's expenses are you most interested in learning about? (select all that apply)

- Police services
- Other public safety services (fire response, ambulances, 911 and 311)
- Infrastructure Services (lighting, street resurfacing, bridges, water projects)
- Community Services (public health, youth services, homelessness support services, services for People with Disabilities)
- Streets and Sanitation (rodent control, tree trimming, garbage and recycling)
- City Development (planning and development, housing)
- Libraries
- Regulatory Services (building permits and inspections, business licensing, animal care and control)
- Cultural Affairs and Special Events (public art, city markets, Chicago Film Office, city festivals)
- Other (please specify)

* 4. Which areas of spending would you consider reducing, increasing or remaining the same in order to balance the City's budget?

The dollar amount next to each category represents the total budget for that function across all funds in 2019.

	Reduce Budget	Keep Budget the Same	Increase Budget
Police services (\$1.6 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Reduce Budget	Keep Budget the Same	Increase Budget
Other public safety services (fire response, ambulances, 911 and 311) (\$886.1 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Infrastructure Services (lighting, street resurfacing, bridges, water projects) (\$853.5 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community Services (public health, youth services, homelessness support services, services for People with Disabilities) (\$816.6 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Streets and Sanitation (rodent control, tree trimming, garbage and recycling) (\$268.0 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
City Development (planning and development, housing) (\$185.8 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Libraries (\$71.4 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Regulatory Services (building permits and inspections, business licensing, animal care and control) (\$67.3 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cultural Affairs and Special Events (public art, city markets, Chicago Film Office, city festivals) (\$36.3 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* 5. The City utilizes many different revenues in order to meet its obligations. Which revenues would you consider increasing or keeping the same in order to balance the City's budget?

	Increase Tax or Fee	Keep Tax or Fee the Same	No Opinion
Garage Parking Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ridesharing Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alcohol Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tax on Sporting Events, Theater Productions and Other Entertainment Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cigarette Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hotel Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shopping Bag Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Property Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sales Tax	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Permit Fees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
License Fees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. You are given \$1,000 to spend across nine general categories in the City of Chicago budget. Assign how many dollars you would budget to each category. You can leave some categories unfunded and you do not need to spend the entire amount.

Police services

Other public safety services (fire response, ambulances, 911 and 311)

Infrastructure Services (lighting, street resurfacing, bridges, water projects)

Community Services (public health, youth services, homelessness support services, services for People with Disabilities)

Streets and Sanitation (rodent control, tree trimming, garbage and recycling)

City Development (planning and development, housing)

Libraries

Regulatory Services (building permits and inspections, business licensing, animal care and control)

Cultural Affairs and Special Events (public art, city markets, Chicago Film Office, city festivals)

7. Optional: Keeping in mind that the City budget does not include the budgets for Sister Agencies including Chicago Public Schools, City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago Park District, Chicago Housing Authority, and the Chicago Transit Agency, what other concerns or revenue ideas related to the 2020 City budget would you be interested in discussing during the Budget Town Halls?