

BUDGETING BILLIONS

The taxpayer's guide to City spending

Pieces of the pie

An unfathomable sum of money although it is, \$1.8 billion only goes so far. Here's how the City is planning to parse out appropriations from Bill 15, its proposed 2011 operating budget.



Footing the bill

So where does this chunk of change come from? A lot of it comes from the taxpayers' coffers. City officials say they have about \$2.2 billion dollars to work with. Here's where they got it.



"Across the country, you see a lot of cities and counties going to default. ... dramatically cutting down services and programs. ... We don't like to be in that position this fiscal year. Ask me that same question come 2012, though."

—Budget Chairman and Council member Nestor Garcia