



**COUNTY** OF **SAN MATEO**  
PLANNING AND BUILDING

# Planning and Building

## FY 2025-27

### Recommended Budget

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# Mission Statement



*To serve the County and its communities by preparing, administering, and enforcing land use plans and development regulations that protect public health and safety, preserve agricultural and environmental resources, address housing and transportation needs, and foster healthy and resilient communities.*

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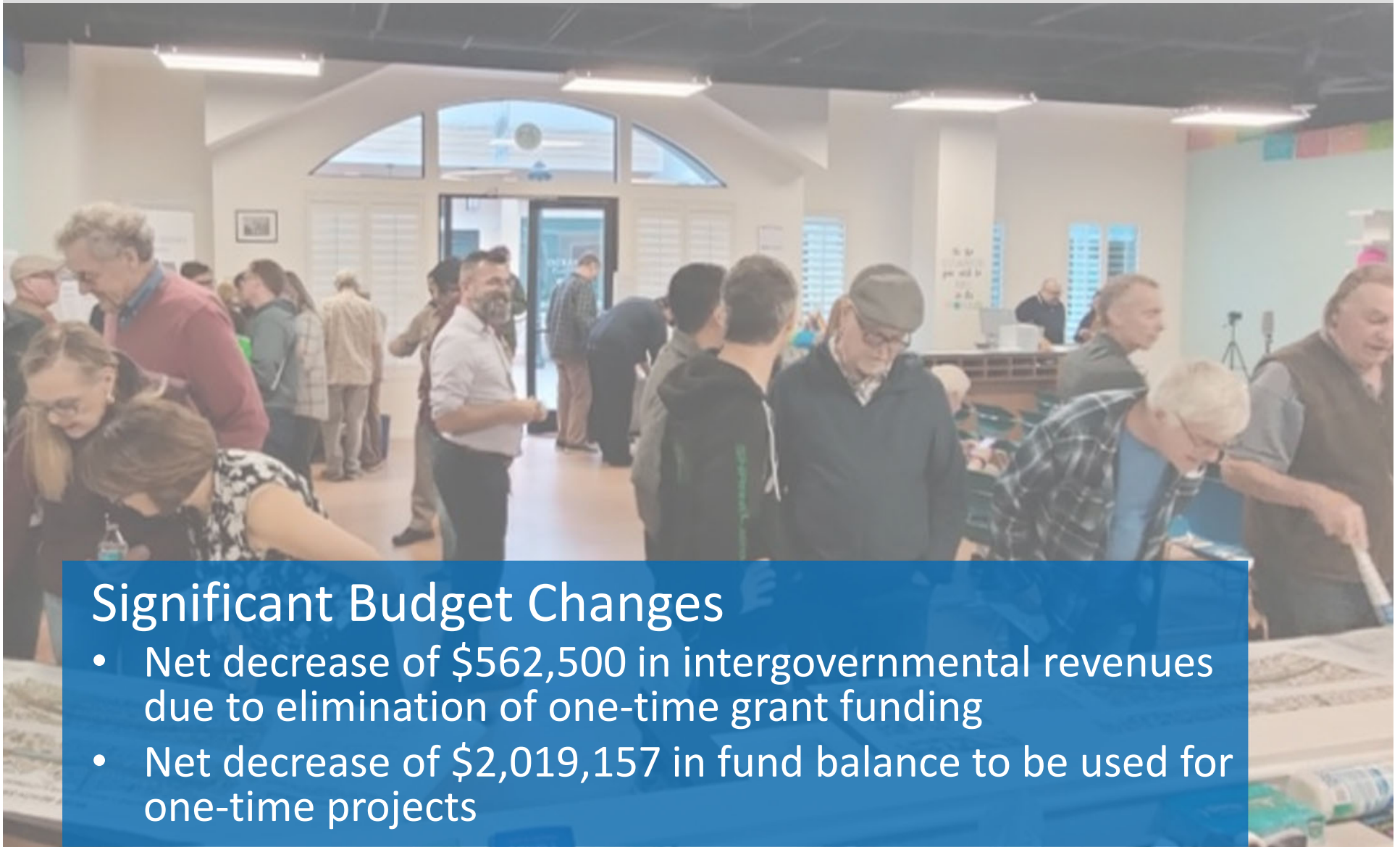


## FY 2025-27 Budget Overview

	<b>FY 2024-25 Revised</b>	<b>FY 2025-26 Recommended</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>FY 2026-27 Preliminary Recommended</b>
Total Sources	\$10,617,172	10,215,676	-3.8%	7,653,405
Total Requirements	19,455,167	20,365,926	+4.7%	19,280,551
Net County Cost	8,837,995	10,150,250	+14.8%	11,627,146
Total Positions	70	70	0%	70



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### Significant Budget Changes

- Net decrease of \$562,500 in intergovernmental revenues due to elimination of one-time grant funding
- Net decrease of \$2,019,157 in fund balance to be used for one-time projects



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## Priorities

- Complete Housing Element rezonings
- Streamline farm labor housing permitting
- Advance Highway 1 corridor transportation projects
- Complete Safety and Environmental Justice Elements

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## Priorities

- Improve permit workflows to provide better, faster service
- Implement new Building Code, earthquake and fire hazard maps
- Maintain low vacancy rate and invest in staff



### Challenges

- Handle growing permit application volume
- Accelerate permit processing to meet State mandates and customer expectations
- Mitigate impacts to staff and customers from the required temporary relocation to Hall of Justice



### State Changes

- Potential future impacts to grants
- New State laws on housing, transportation, energy efficiency, climate, and natural hazards



## Department Performance & Improvements

### Efficiencies

- Accela planning permit upgrade
- AI plan review pilot to increase accuracy and reduce processing time for building permits
- Building internal capacity for in-house plan review
- Ongoing digitization of paper files prepare for office move

Questions?

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