# **Municipal Court**

2017 Budget Overview
Finance & Personnel Committee
October 7, 2016

#### **Community Goals and Objectives**

- 1. Build Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods
  - Average days from filing to judgment
    - 2015 Actual: 38
    - 2016 Projected: 34
    - 2017 Planned: 30
- 2. Remove Barriers to Employment
  - Number of enforced driver license suspensions lifted
    - 2015 Actual: 7,360
    - 2016 Projected: 10,250
    - 2017 Planned: 8,000

## **2017 Budget Summary**

	2016 ADOPTED	2017 PROPOSED	DIFFERENCE
	BUDGET	BUDGET	(amount, %)
FTEs - O&M	32.00	33.20	1.20 (3.8%)
FTEs - Other	0.00	0.00	0.0 (0%)
Salaries & Wages	\$1,871,870	\$1,870,512	-\$1,358 (-0.1%)
Fringe Benefits	898,498	841,730	-56,768 (-6.3%)
Operating Expenditures	456,400	487,900	31,500 (6.9%)
Equipment	6,000	6,000	0 (0%)
Special Funds	40,000	40,000	0 (0%)
TOTAL	\$3,272,768	\$3,246,142	-\$26,626 (-0.8%)

## **Special Purpose Accounts**

	2016 ADOPTED BUDGET	2017 PROPOSED BUDGET	DIFFERENCE (amount, %)
MPS Drivers Education	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0 (0%)
Municipal Court Intervention Program	425,000	425,000	0 (0%)
Total SPAs	\$475,000	\$475,000	\$0 (0%)

#### Revenues

	2016 ADOPTED BUDGET	2017 PROPOSED BUDGET	DIFFERENCE (amount, %)
Charges for Service	\$1,514,000	\$1,139,000	-\$375,000 (-24.8%)
Forfeitures	4,060,000	3,703,000	-357,000 (-8.8%)
TOTAL	\$5,574,000	\$4,842,000	-\$732,000 (-13.1%)

- Revenue reduction driven by reduced cases
- Cases decreased by 6,222 (7.8%) between 2014 and 2015
- Caseload reduction results primarily from decreased Adult Municipal cases
- Adult Municipal cases decreased 3,248 (17%) between 2014 and 2015, comprising 52% of the caseload reduction
- Only category with increased cases in 2015 was Health

#### Capital Improvement Project

- Remainder of Court Automated Tracking System (CATS) and Website Upgrade project funded in 2017
  - Total cost: \$888,000 over two years
    - \$504,000 provided in 2015
    - \$384,000 provided in 2017
  - CATS is a proprietary system that supports all of the Court's operations
  - Upgrade needed to prevent asset failure that would adversely impact Court's operations

#### **Budget Issues**

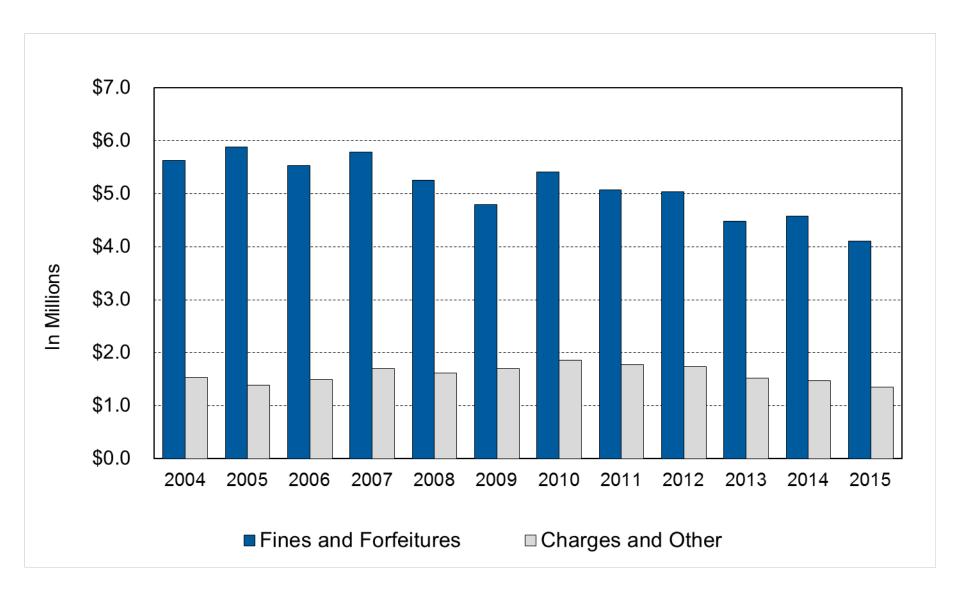
- 1. Restructure and Reduce Staffing
  - Court continues to restructure Court staffing
    - Funding for Court Commissioners eliminated in 2016
    - Several positions reduced due to efficiencies realized from converting to electronic case files

#### In 2017

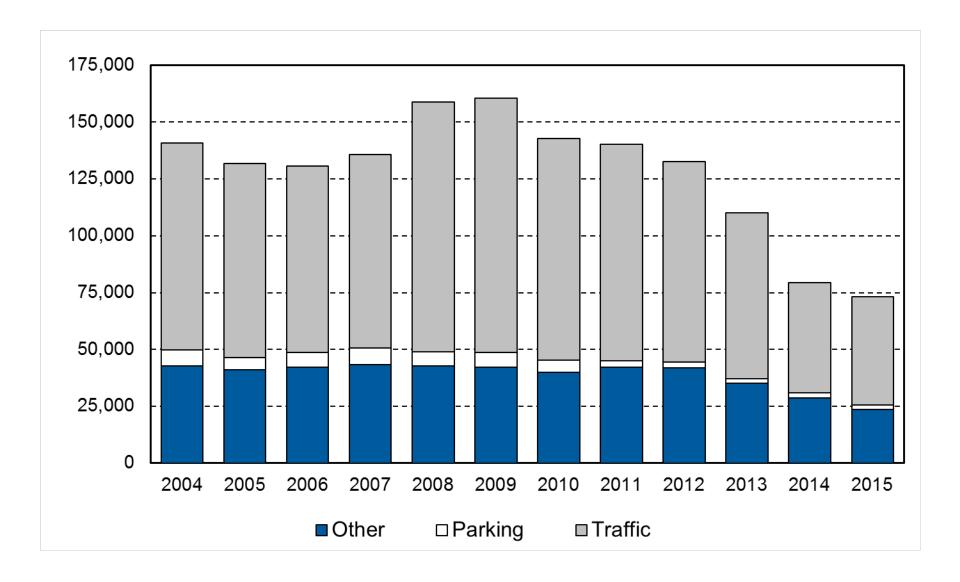
- One Municipal Court Clerk I position is not funded
  - Pilot effort to determine feasibility of operating with less staff with changes in case scheduling
- Court Services Assistant IV eliminated
- Funding for Accounting Assistant III restored
- Reclassifications approved in 2016:
  - Replace Administrative Services Supervisor with Court Administrative Coordinator
  - Replace Court Services Assistant IV with a Customer Services Representative III

#### **Supplemental Information**

#### **Municipal Court Revenue**



#### **Municipal Court Cases Filed**



#### **Municipal Court Cases & Revenue**

