

Key Dates for 2026 Budget Development

	Capital	Operating
Kick-Off Meeting	Tuesday, March 18 11:00am	Monday, June 16 2:00pm
Agency Requests Due	Friday, April 18	Friday, July 18
Agency Briefings with Mayor's Office	May 14 & 16	August 13 – 21
Executive Budget introduced to Common Council (CC)	Tuesday, September 2	Tuesday, October 7
Finance Committee (FC) Briefings	September 8 – 9	October 13 – 14
FC Amendment Meeting	September 29	October 27
CC Amendment Week	October 27 – November 5	
CC Budget Adoption Meetings	November 11 – 13	

Detailed Timeline for FC and CC Hearings

Capital

Operating

1.	Mayor Introduces Executive Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none">September 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">October 7
2.	Finance Committee (FC) Hearings	<i>Agencies present budget; alders have opportunity to ask questions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">September 15 & 16October 13 & 14	
3.	FC Amendment Week	<i>Alders submit requests to budget analysts; analysts review and publish amendments</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">September 17 – 24Alders submit by Weds., Sept. 24 at 12pmFinance publishes by Fri., Sept 26 at 1pmOctober 15 – 22Alders submit by Weds., Oct. 22 at 12pmFinance publishes by Fri., Oct 24 at 1pm	
4.	FC Vote on Amendments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">September 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">October 27
5.	City Council Amendments	<i>Alders propose amendments to capital and operating budgets for CC deliberations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">October 28 – November 5Alders submit by Weds., Nov. 5 at 12pmAnalysts publish by Fri., Nov. 7 at 1pm	
6.	City Council Adoption	Up to three (3) CC meetings to vote on amendments and adopt budget <ul style="list-style-type: none">November 11, 12, 13	