

OUR CITY OF MADISON



Planning Division Budget Overview

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Our Agency's Operating Budget Overview

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Our Agency's Operating Budget

Service	Operating Budget
Administration	\$833,925
Community Connections	\$164,122
Data & Mapping	\$380,580
Development Review	\$1,102,271
Metropolitan Planning Organization	\$1,810,803
Plan Creation	\$597,166
Plan Implementation & Design	\$429,727
Support for the Arts	\$307,201
TOTAL	\$5,683,864

Administration

All employees within the Planning Division allocate a portion of their time to this service, which includes:

- Payroll, hiring and onboarding
- Budget and grant management
- Staff Meetings
- Work planning and management
- Records management
- Results Madison and other citywide efforts

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\$833,925

Community Connections

Create and strengthen relationships with community and neighborhoods, other organizations in our region:

- Neighborhood Grant Program and administration
- Regional Cooperation with schools/universities, county and other municipalities around shared goals, issues, challenges
- Support for the Joint Campus Area Committee (UW Madison)
- Support for Neighborhood Resource Teams associated with Department of Civil Rights program

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\$164,122

Data & Mapping

Maintain, analyze and communicate data for City agencies, policymakers and the public:

- Maintain data related to development activity, zoning, political districts, City services that populate frequently-used online resources
- Knowledge of data and information about upcoming/expected developments
- Neighborhood Indicators Project provides demographics, housing, public safety, health, education, economics, and transportation data (in partnership with UW Madison)

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\$380,580

Development Review

Manage requests for development, facilitate board and committee decisions, and coordinate with applicants:

- Development review and recommendations for elected and appointed officials on development proposals
- Each year, support approx. 200 development requests for Plan Commission, 70 requests for Urban Design Commission, and 30 requests for Landmarks Commission
- Coordinate review and post-approval processes with other City Agencies, applicants through the Development Assistance Team
- Attend community meetings regarding specific projects

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\$1,102,271

Metropolitan Planning Organization

Transportation planning and coordinated transportation investments for Greater Madison area:

- Maintain Regional Transportation Plan and approve use of federal funding for projects through the Transportation Improvement Program
- Lead and assist municipalities in the region with roadway, transit, active transportation, rideshare, and congestion and transportation demand management planning
- Collect, monitor, and analyze data on factors related to land use and transportation

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\$1,810,803

Plan Creation

Prepare Imagine Madison Comprehensive Plan, Area Plans, and Community Action Strategies:

- Update the Comprehensive Plan every 10 years
- Prepare Area Plans for each of 12 detailed areas, and update every 10 years
- Work with residents in low and moderate-income areas to prioritize planning recommendations and expend federal funds on impactful projects
- Other special plans, such as arts & culture, historic preservation, community facilities

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\$597,166

Plan Implementation & Design

Collaborative efforts with City Agencies, community partners, and/or City committees to implement plans:

- Updates to City ordinances related to development review and approval processes
- Lead or facilitate projects and activities to implement adopted plans
- Work with other municipalities on intergovernmental agreements related to long-term growth and public investment
- Manage or participate in projects to design public facilities and rights of way, including significant public engagement efforts

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\$429,727

Support for the Arts

Maintains and expands Madison’s public art collection and incorporates art throughout the community:

- Maintain and expand public art collection through the Municipal Art Fund and Percent for the Arts programs
- Provide over \$100,000 in grants annually to non-profits and artists to support arts programs
- Support the Poet Laureate, Youth Poet Laureate, and Darbo neighborhood-based Artist in Residence programs
- Strengthen the music ecosystem through Greater Madison Music City
- Staff the Madison Arts Commission

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\$307,201

Operating Budget by Fund

The Planning Division is a general fund agency, meaning our operations are primarily funded by City levy. In addition, our budget includes an approx. \$1.6M federal grant for the MPO, and a small grant for the Arts.

Fund	2025 Adopted Budget
General Fund	\$4,007,073
Other Grants	\$1,618,723
TOTAL	\$5,625,796

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In the 2025, the Planning Division maintains \$160,000 within one program.

Project / Program	2025 Capital Budget
Municipal Art Fund	\$160,000
TOTAL	\$160,000

Municipal Art Fund

The Planning Division capital budget supports the Municipal Art Fund:

2025 Capital Budget

\$160,000

- Maintenance and expansion of the public art collection
- Artist in Residence program
- Art for the forthcoming Madison Public Market

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