

Steele County 2024 Truth In Taxation Public Hearing

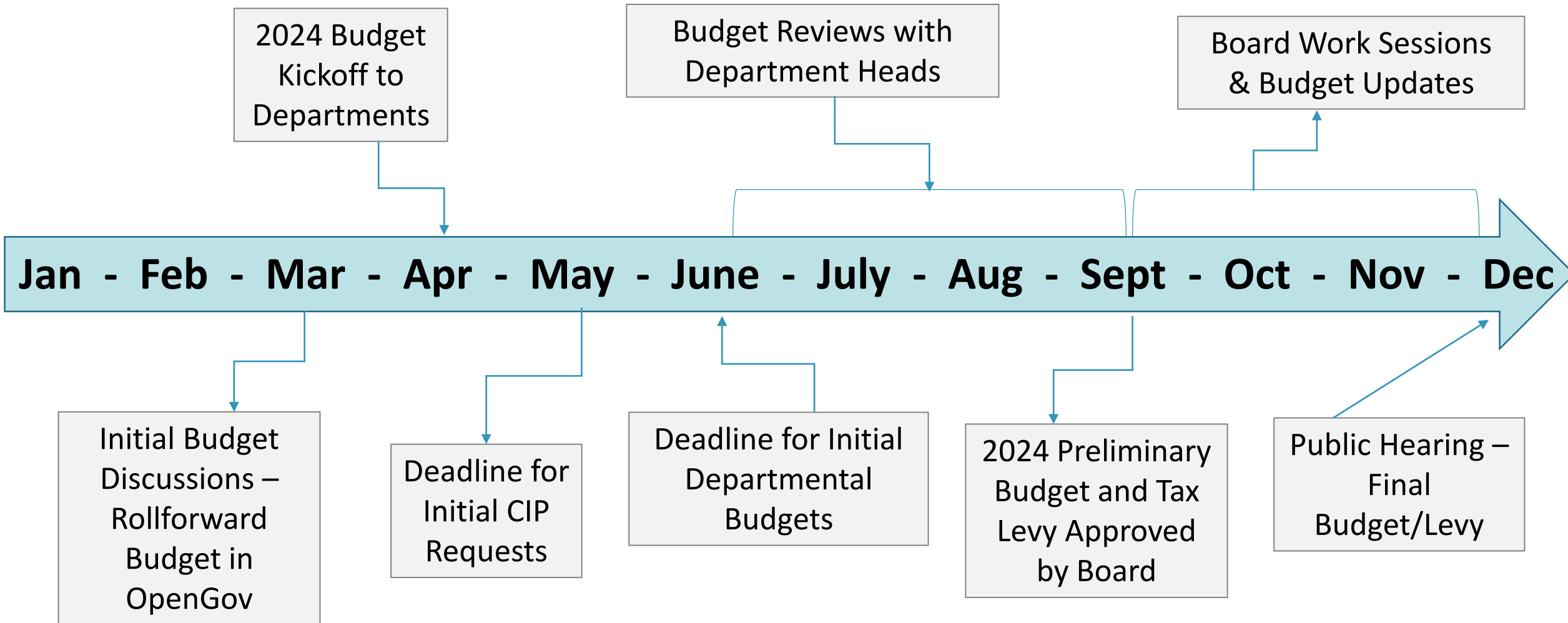
***Scott Golberg and Cathy Piepho
Administrator and Interim Finance Director/Treasurer
December 12, 2023
6:00 PM***



Meeting Purpose

- The purpose of this meeting is to present budget and levy information and conduct a public hearing for the 2024 budget per Minnesota State Statute 275.065.
- *If anyone has questions or concerns regarding changes in your property value or classification, that specific matter needs to be discussed with the County Assessor's Office.*

2024 Budget Timeline



Challenges and Opportunities

➤ Mission Statement: Driven to deliver quality services in a respectful and fiscally responsible way

- Meeting public expectations about service delivery in the most cost-effective manner

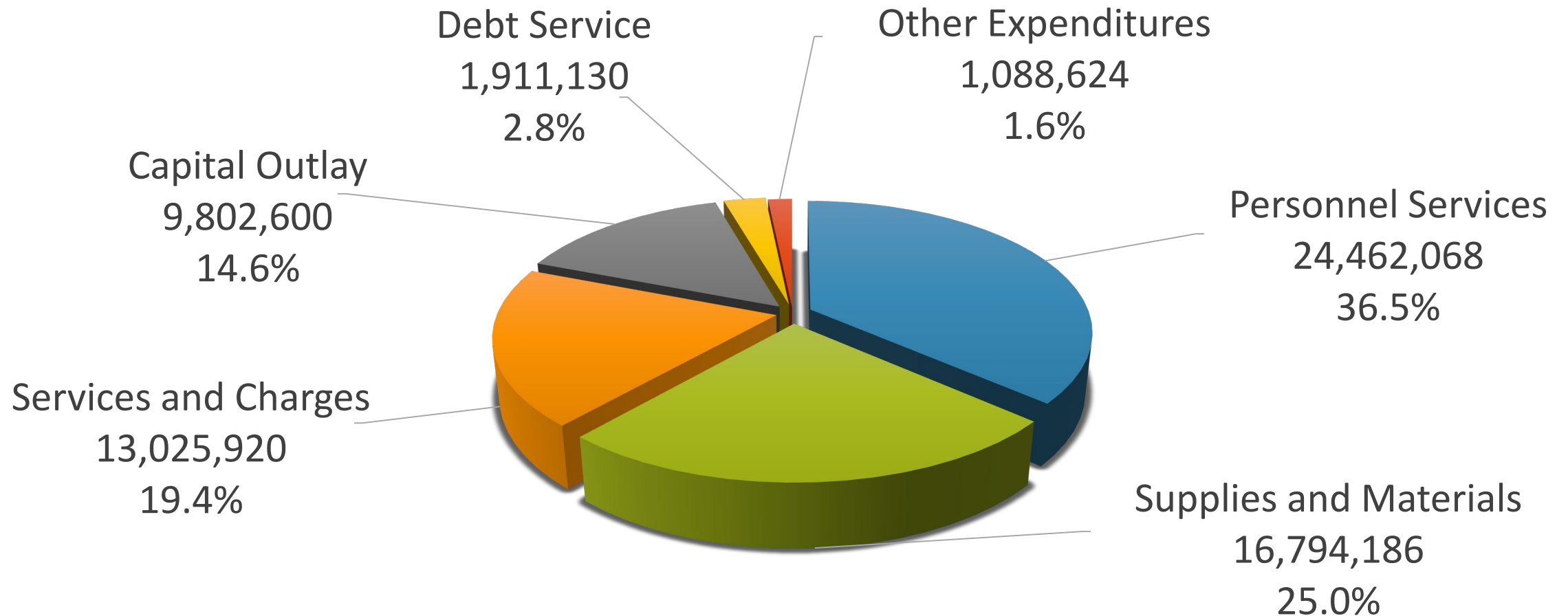
➤ Challenges

- Personnel services – competitive labor market, market salary adjustment, anticipated employee retirements, rising health insurance costs
- Increased volume and sophistication of cyber security threats
- Rising costs in supplies, utilities and building materials due to inflation

➤ Opportunities

- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding to be used for future capital outlay
- Healthy fund balance
- Increased fundings from the state – County Program Aid, Community Corrections, one time Public Safety grant

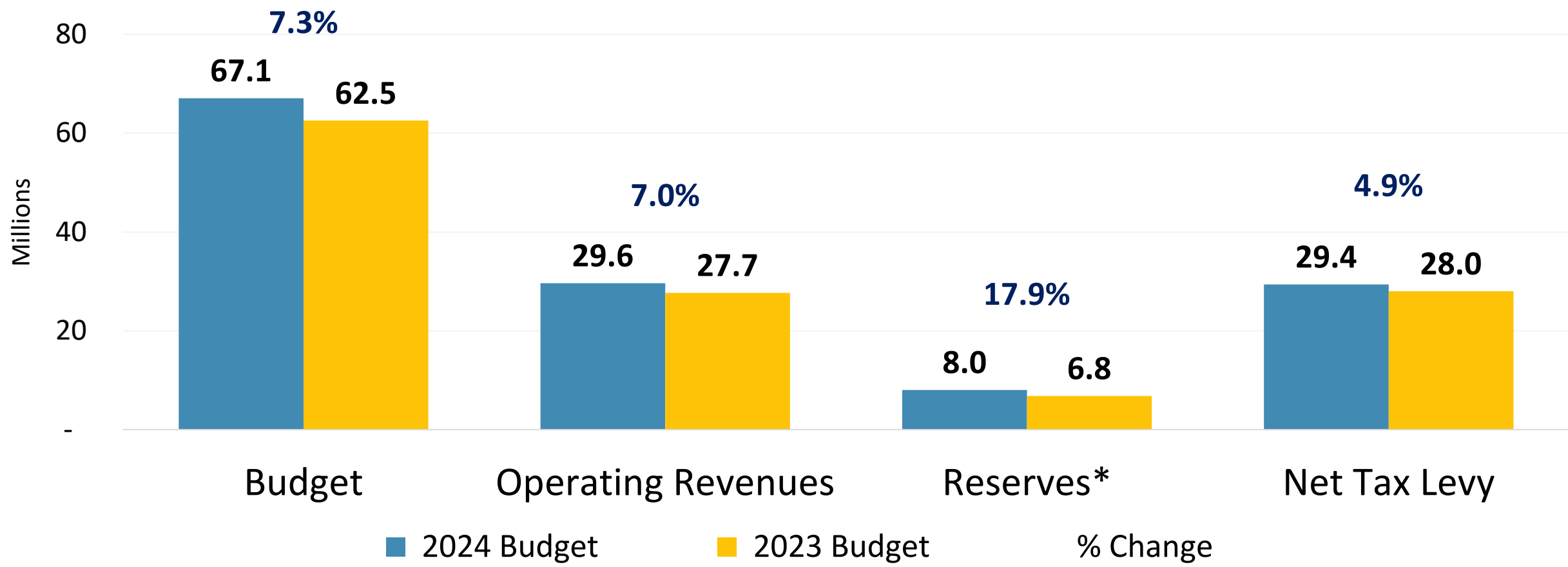
2024 Budget by Category



Major Capital Projects

Facility	Description	Project Cost	Amount Levied
Sheriff	Building Addition on Detention Center for Sheriff's Office	\$5,000,000	\$ -
Landfill	Construction of Garbage Cell & Equipment Purchases	1,475,000	-
Highway	Various Equipment	861,000	606,000
Administration Building	Parking Lot Replacement	730,000	-
Community Corrections	Building for CCA – Additional Funds	560,000	-
Courthouse	Generator Replacement	250,000	150,000
Courthouse	Parking Lot and Sidewalk Repairs	220,000	-

Comparative Summary of Budgets and Tax Levies



*Includes use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds as well as use of reserves from the Capital Project fund, Highway fund, and Landfill fund.

Residential Tax Levy Impact – Steele County Property Tax

Property Tax Levy Increase	Estimated Market Value (EMV)		
	\$ 200,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 400,000
2023 Steele County Property Tax	913	1,464	2,014
2024 Est. Steele County Property Tax	821	1,316	1,811
Estimated Change in Property Tax	(92)	(148)	(203)

- Estimates include a 16.7% increase in the tax capacity per the Steele County Assessors Office
- Assumes the property is homestead
- Assumes the Estimated Market Value (EMV) remains constant from 2023 to 2024 tax year

Steele County's 2024 Property Tax Levy

\$ 29.4 Million

How does the County plan to spend each tax dollar received?



**Highway
8.8¢**

**Health
4.7¢**

**Public Safety
36.7¢**

**Debt Service
5.7¢**

**Human
Services
19.7¢**

**General
Government
19.9¢**

**GF Capital
Projects
1.0¢**

**All Other
Functions
3.5¢**

Additional Budget Information

Additional budget information can be accessed anytime

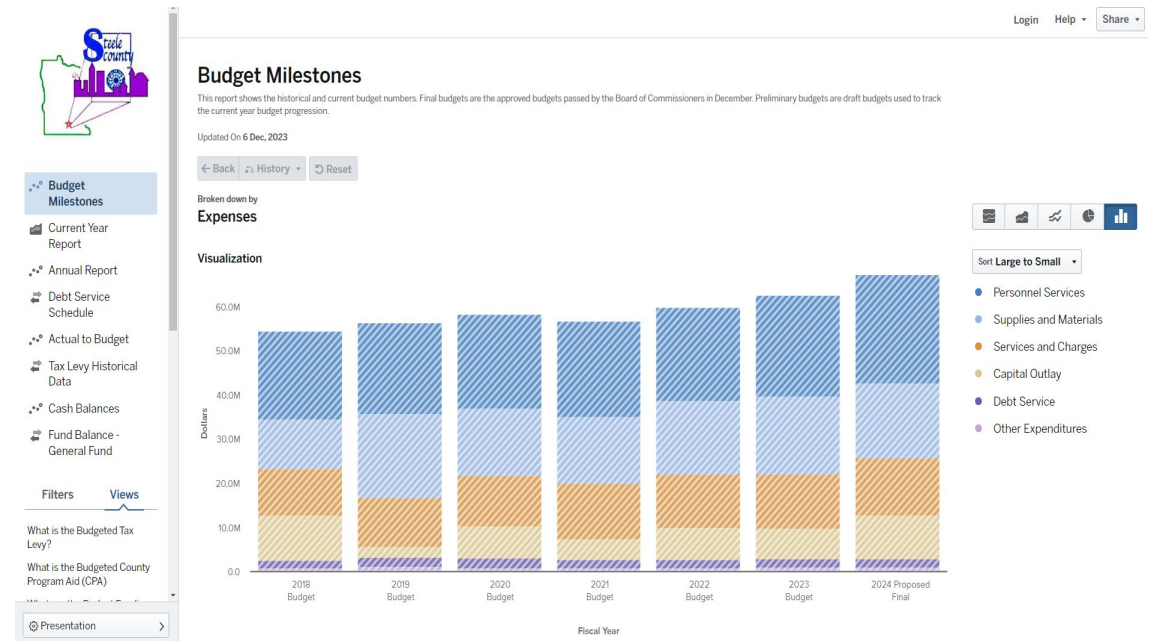
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Public Comments/Questions?