

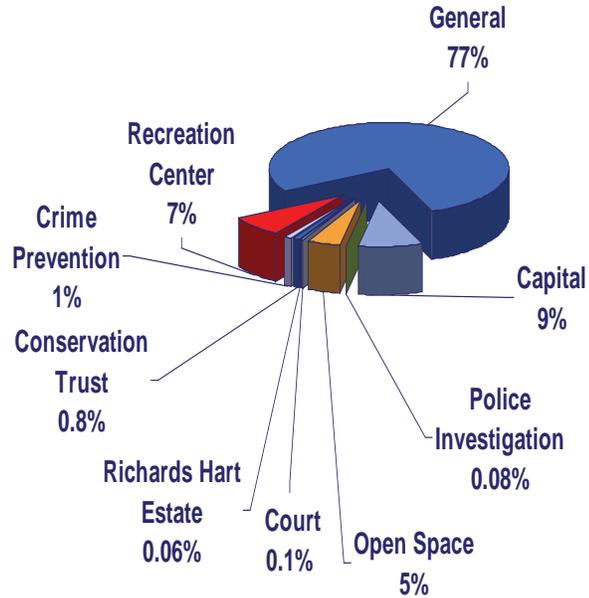
## 2011 BUDGET IN BRIEF

- *Financially Sound City  
Providing Quality Services*
- *Choice of Desirable  
Neighborhoods*
- *Economically Viable  
Activity Center*
- *More Attractive  
Wheat Ridge*

## ADOPTED BUDGET IN BRIEF

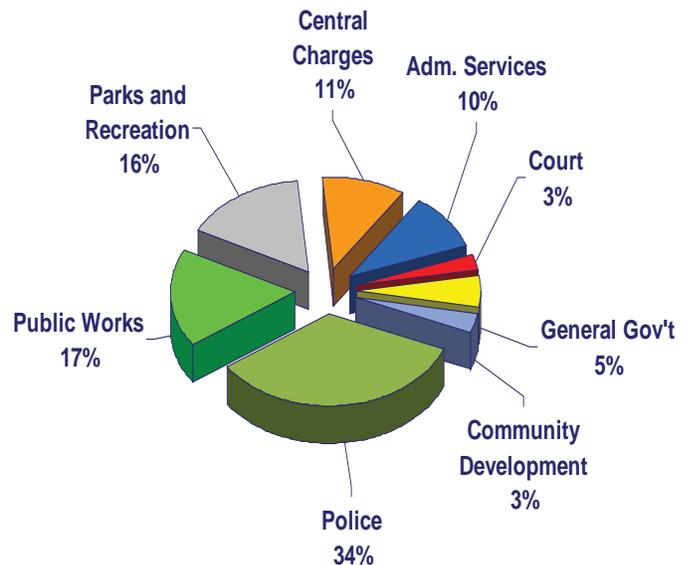
### 2011 Total Expenditures \$34,023,809 (excluding transfers)

General	\$26,375,971
Capital Investment Program	\$2,920,000
Recreation Center	\$2,465,388
Open Space	\$1,540,996
Conservation Trust	\$270,000
Crime Prevention	\$361,254
Municipal Court	\$42,700
Richards Hart Estate	\$20,500
Police Investigation	\$27,000



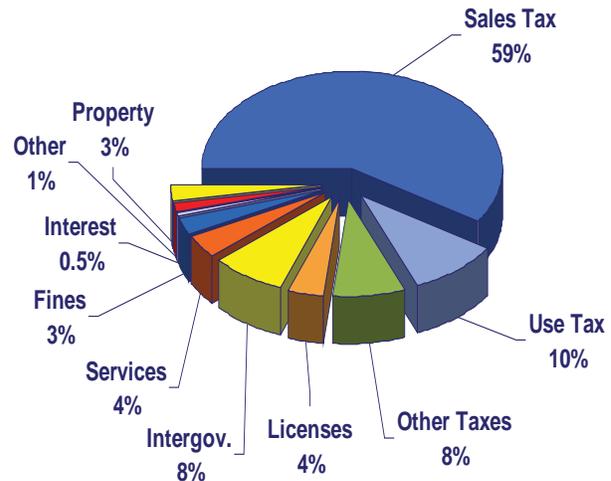
### 2011 General Fund Expenditures \$26,375,971 (excluding transfers)

Police	\$9,057,732
Parks and Recreation	\$4,166,605
Public Works	\$4,498,593
Administrative Services	\$2,627,759
Central Charges	\$2,841,503
Community Development	\$887,413
General Government	\$1,574,081
Municipal Court	\$722,285
<i>Ending Fund Balance</i>	<i>\$8,168,531</i>

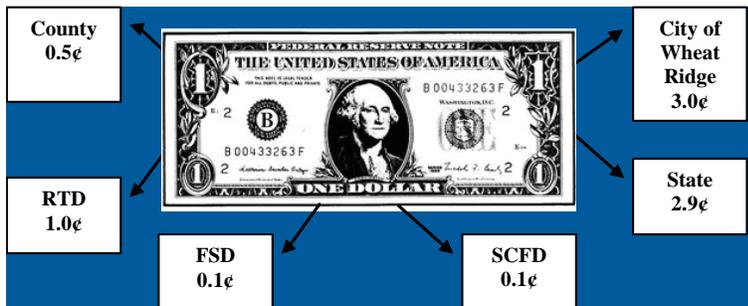


## General Fund Revenues

2011 General Fund Revenues	
\$26,475,971	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$10,333,531
Sales Tax	\$15,592,400
Use Tax	\$2,563,200
Other Taxes	\$2,090,350
Intergovernmental	\$2,203,200
Services	\$999,288
Licenses	\$1,020,900
Fines	\$800,800
Property Tax	\$765,000
Other	\$320,833
Interest	\$120,000
<b>Total Available Funds</b>	<b>\$36,809,502</b>



### Sales Tax Distribution



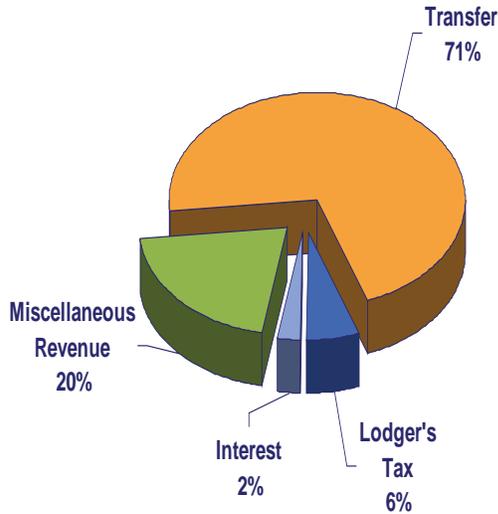
The total sales tax rate in the City of Wheat Ridge is 7.6%. For every dollar you spend on retail purchases, you pay 7.6 cents in sales tax. Only **3 cents** of this goes back to the City.

### Property Tax Distribution

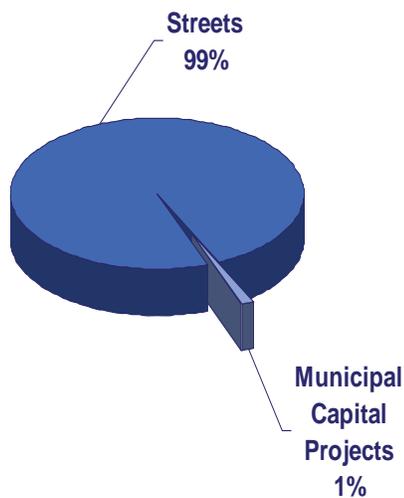
Most people will be surprised to know that for every dollar Jefferson County receives in property taxes from Wheat Ridge residents, only **3 cents** goes back to the City.



### Capitol Investment Program (CIP) Fund



<b>2011 CIP Revenues</b>	
<b>\$3,044,000</b>	
<i>Beginning Fund Balance</i>	\$3,444,288
Sales Tax (transfer)	\$2,165,000
Lodger's Tax	\$180,000
Miscellaneous	\$624,000
Interest	\$75,000
<i>Total Available Funds</i>	<i>\$6,488,288</i>

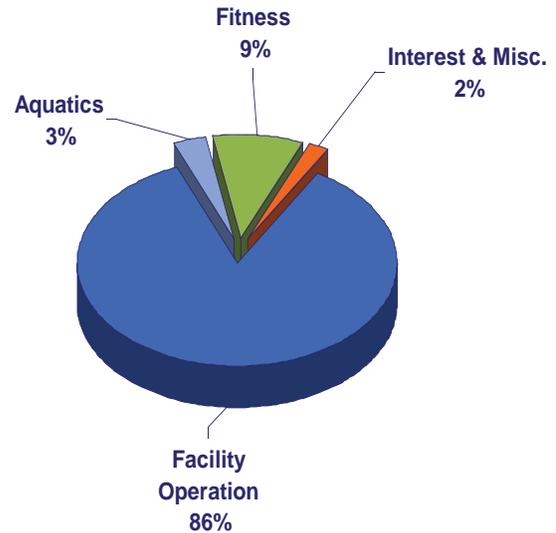


<b>2011 CIP Expenditures</b>	
<b>\$2,920,000</b>	
Preventative Maintenance Projects	\$2,000,000
Wadsworth Bike/Pedestrian Trail	\$780,000
Public Improvement Projects (Development Related)	\$100,000
Police Department Evidence Facility (Climate Control)	\$40,000
<i>Ending Fund Balance</i>	<i>\$3,568,288</i>

## Recreation Center Operations Fund

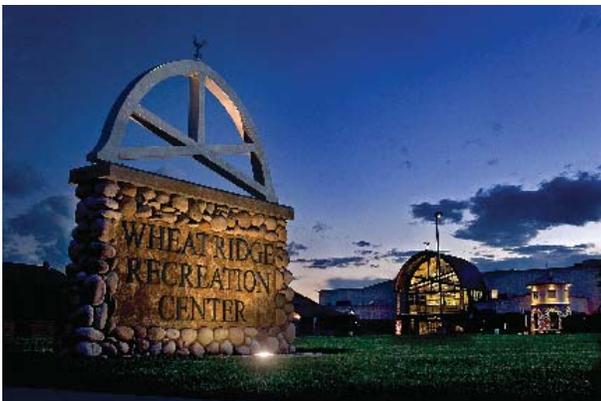
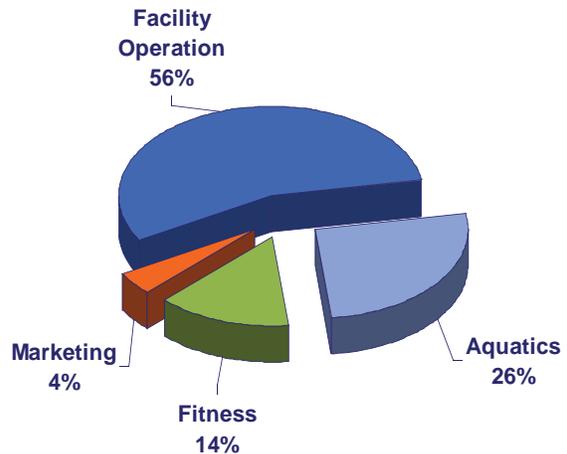
### 2011 Recreation Center Operations Revenues \$2,148,935

<i>Beginning Fund Balance</i>	\$1,725,868
Facility Operation	\$1,841,296
Fitness	\$193,559
Interest	\$43,700
Aquatics	\$70,380
 <i>Total Available Funds</i>	 \$2,148,935



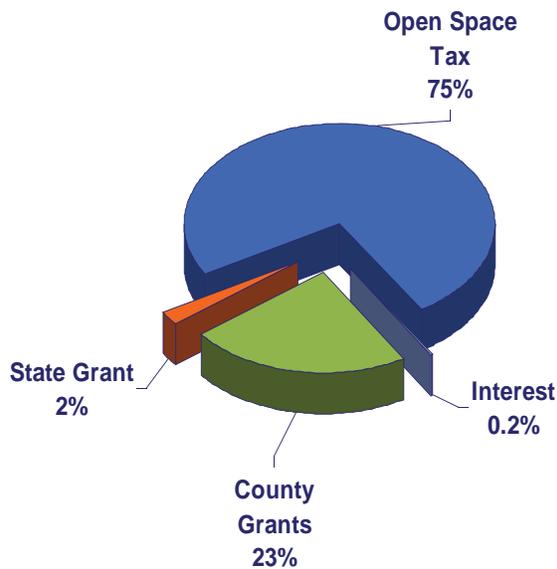
### 2011 Recreation Center Operations Expenditures \$2,465,388

Facility Operation	\$1,369,627
Aquatics	\$641,762
Fitness	\$354,696
Marketing	\$99,303
 <i>Ending Fund Balance</i>	 \$1,409,415



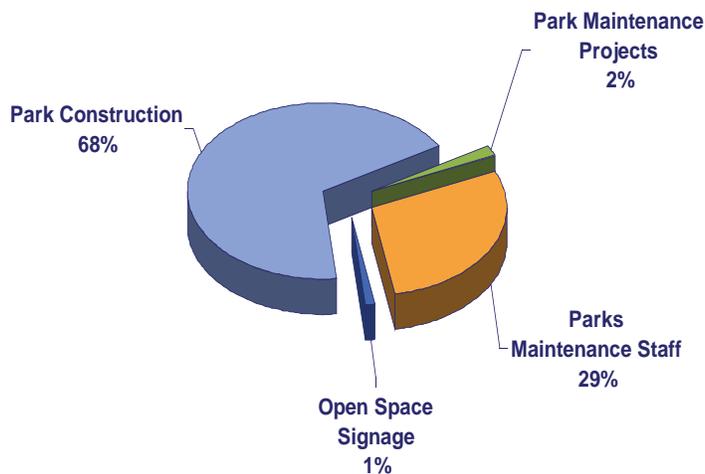
The Wheat Ridge Recreation Center (at left) is a state-of-the-art facility located in the heart of Wheat Ridge. The Center was established through a voter approved, temporary increase in the sales and use tax rate to pay for the construction of the Center which opened in February 2000.

## Open Space Fund



### 2011 Open Space Revenues \$1,189,432

<i>Beginning Fund Balance</i>	\$358,283
Open Space Tax	\$885,000
Developer Fee/Interest/ Misc.	\$2,500
Historic Grant	\$26,932
Jeffco Joint Venture Grant	\$275,000
<b>Total Available Funds</b>	<b>\$1,547,715</b>



### 2011 Open Space Expenditures \$1,540,996

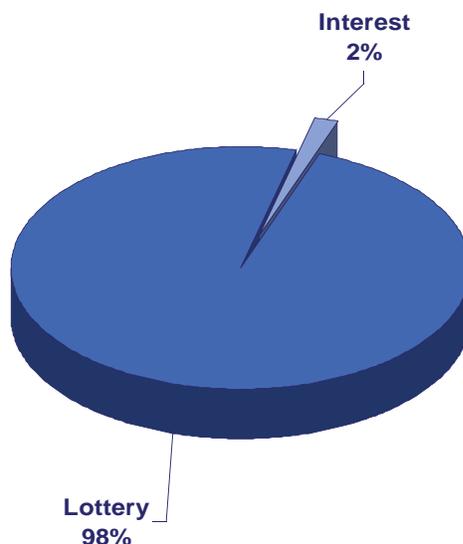
Discovery Park Site Development	\$1,030,000
Sign Fabrication/Open Space	\$16,000
Off Leash Dog Park	\$20,000
Personnel	\$466,996
Misc. Maintenance	\$28,000
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$6,719</b>

*Discovery Park (at right), Wheat Ridge's newest park, opened in October of 2010 featuring playground equipment, shade shelters and housing the Kevin Robb "Discovering the Stars" sculpture. A skate park, climbing wall, additional shade shelters, two gateway structures and a maze are planned for Phase III of the park's construction.*

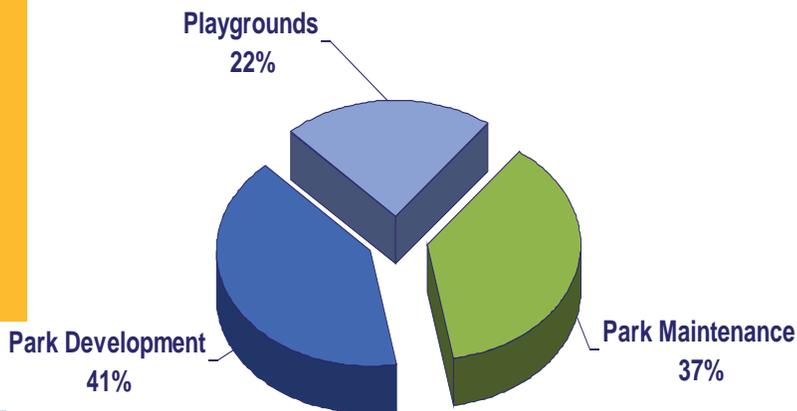


### Conservation Trust Fund

<b>2011 Conservation Trust Revenues</b>	
<b>\$285,000</b>	
<i>Beginning Fund Balance</i>	\$63,830
Colorado Lottery	\$280,000
Interest	\$5,000
<i>Total Available Funds</i>	\$348,830



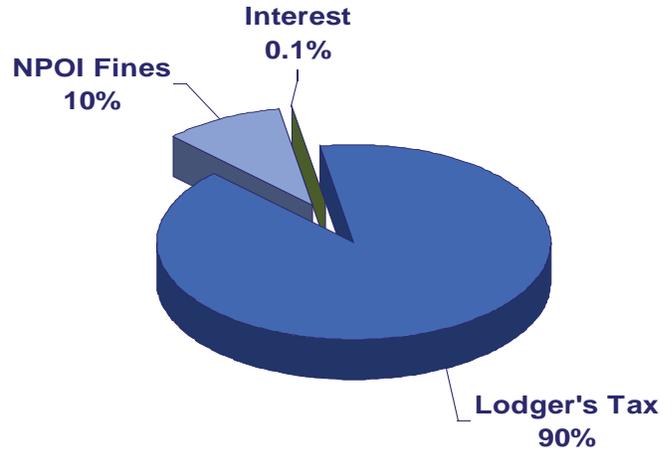
<b>2011 Conservation Trust Expenditures</b>	
<b>\$270,000</b>	
Johnson Park Transition	\$10,000
Discovery Park	\$100,00
Richards Hart Estate Playground	\$60,000
Resurface Tennis/ Basketball Courts	\$100,000
<i>Ending Fund Balance</i>	\$78,830



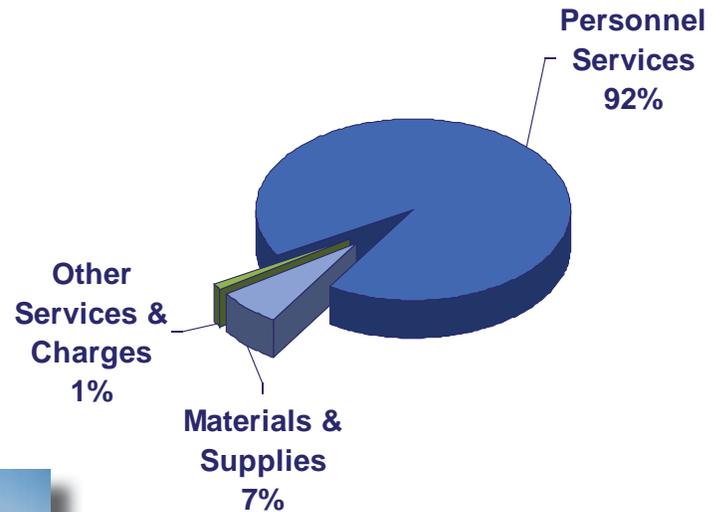
*The City of Wheat Ridge has received over \$3 million in revenue from the Colorado Lottery since 1992 which has been used for park and recreation construction and maintenance projects such as the Anderson Park Playground (at right).*

### Crime Prevention Fund

2011 Crime Prevention Revenues	
<b>\$260,200</b>	
<i>Beginning Fund Balance</i>	\$135,138
Lodger's Tax	\$235,000
No Proof of Insurance Fines	\$25,000
Interest	\$200
<i>Total Available Funds</i>	<b>\$395,338</b>



2011 Crime Prevention Expenditures	
<b>\$361,254</b>	
Personnel Services	\$333,354
Materials & Supplies	\$23,800
Other Services & Charges	\$4,100
<i>Ending Fund Balance</i>	<b>\$34,084</b>



Voters approved a 5% increase in the lodger's tax in November 1998. Sixty percent of this tax is used for police and code enforcement activities within the City.

### Other Special Revenue Funds

<b>Police Investigation</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$75,478
Revenues	\$ 500
Expenses	\$27,000
Ending Balance	\$48,978



*Police Department Evidence Room*



*Municipal Court Room*

<b>Municipal Court</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$34,341
Revenues	\$34,000
Expenses	\$42,700
Ending Balance	\$25,641

<b>Equipment Replacement</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$205,065
Revenues	\$102,000
Expenses	\$ 0
Ending Balance	\$307,065



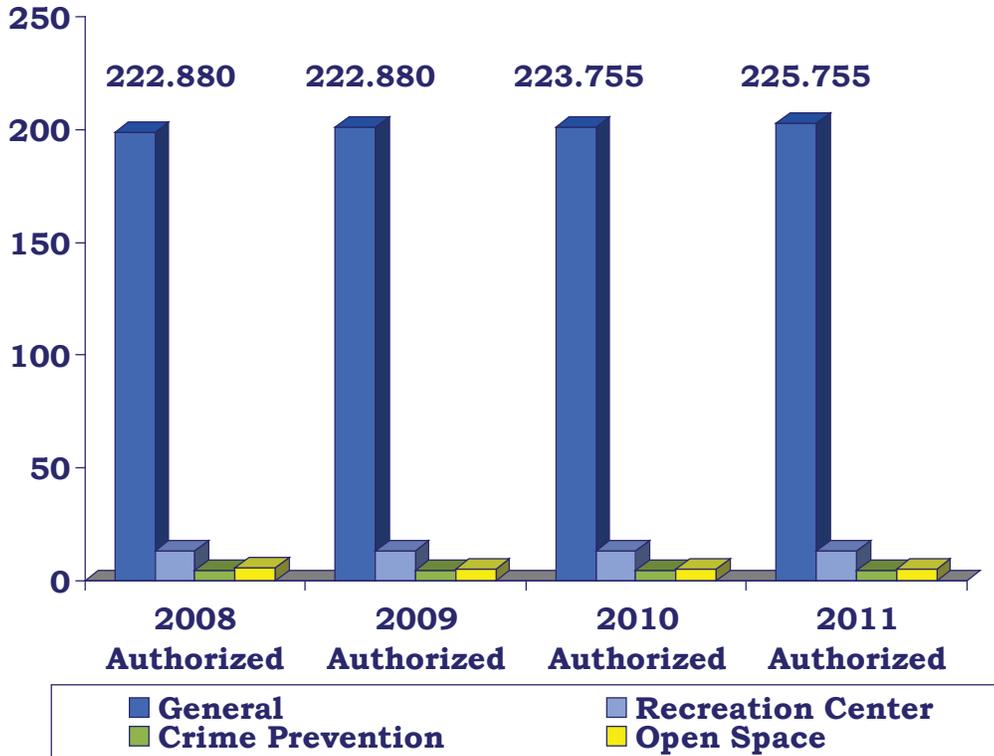
*Police Department Dispatch Center*



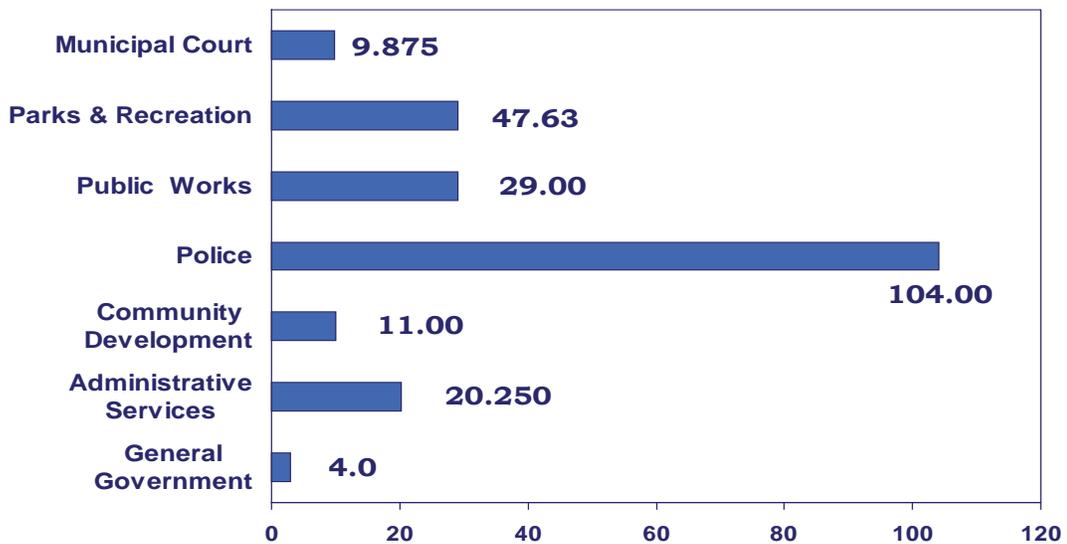
*Richards Hart Estate*

<b>Richards Hart Estate</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$35,420
Revenues	\$22,440
Expenses	\$20,500
Ending Balance	\$37,360

### Staffing 2008-2011 Full-Time Equivalents (All Funds)



### 2011 Staffing by Department



General Government includes City Manager's Office and City Clerk's Office, Legislative Services

## **FACTS ABOUT THE CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE**

- The City of Wheat Ridge was incorporated in 1969.
- The City operates under a Council-Manager form of government with an elected mayor and two Councilmembers from each of the four districts. The City has an elected City Clerk and City Treasurer.
- Elected members of City Council serve a 4-year term with the option to run for a second 4-year term.
- The Mayor is elected at-large by all voters in the City. The Mayor is a part-time position.
- The City of Wheat Ridge encompasses 9.5 square miles and has an altitude of 5,459.
- The current estimated population is 31,000 citizens with 14,000 households.
- The City maintains 20 parks, 250 acres of open space, four lakes and more than five miles of nationally recognized trail along Clear Creek.
- The City operates a 70,000 square foot Recreation Center and an Active Adult Center.

*More information about Wheat Ridge and the community's history can be found online by visiting the City Website at [www.ci.wheatridge.co.us](http://www.ci.wheatridge.co.us)*



From left, standing: Davis Reinhart , Karen Berry, Joseph DeMott, Mike Stites.

From left, seated: Tracy Langworthy, Karen Adams, Jerry DiTullio, Wanda Sang and Joyce Jay

**Jerry DiTullio**  
**Mayor**

**Councilmembers, District I**  
**Davis B. Reinhart**  
**Karen A. Berry**

**Councilmembers, District II**  
**Joyce Jay**  
**Wanda Sang**

**Councilmember, District III**  
**Karen Adams**  
**Mike Stites**

**Councilmember, District IV**  
**Joseph E. DeMott**  
**Tracy Langworthy**

**Michael Snow, City Clerk**

**Larry Schulz, City Treasurer**

**Patrick Goff**  
**City Manager**

### **2011 Budget Process**

The City annually develops a budget process that includes considerable staff participation from all departments and City Council direction and input concerning key policy areas. The public has the opportunity to participate with comments, concerns or budget requests during two public meetings and a public hearing prior to adoption of the budget. The budget process spans a great portion of the year. The following summarizes the 2011 budget schedule:

#### June

- City Council Strategic Planning Retreat
- Distribute budget packet instructions to departments

#### July

- Public meeting on 2011 budget

#### August

- 2010 revenue estimates and 2011 revenue projections
- Deadline for submittal of 2011 department budget requests and 2010 budget estimates
- City Manager/Budget Officer review budget

#### September

- Distribute proposed budget to City Council

#### November

- Public Hearing on 2011 Budget
- 2011 Budget/Appropriation Resolution Adoption

#### December

- Finalize budget document for printing
- Distribute Budget to City Council, et. al.

The City Council and staff adheres to the following legal requirements pursuant to the City Charter (Chapter 10).

Section 10.1: The fiscal year of the City and all its agencies shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December of each year.

Section 10.2: Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the City administration shall prepare and submit to the Council a recommended budget for the next fiscal year and an accompanying message.

Section 10.3: The City administration message shall explain the budget both in fiscal terms and in terms of the work programs.

Section 10.4: The budget shall provide a complete financial plan of all municipal funds and activities for the next fiscal year and, except as required by ordinance or this charter, shall be in such form as the City administration deems desirable or the Council may require.

Section 10.5: The total of the proposed expenditures shall not exceed the total of estimated revenue.

Section 10.6: The City administration, with such assistance as the Council may direct, shall prepare and submit to the Council a long-range capital program, simultaneously with the recommended budget.

Section 10.7: A public hearing on the proposed budget and proposed capital program shall be held before its final adoption at such time and place as the Council may direct.

Section 10.8: After the public hearing, the Council may adopt the budget with or without amendment.

Section 10.9: The Council shall adopt the budget by resolution on or before the final day established by the statute for the certification of the next year's tax levy to the county.

Section 10.10: Adoption of the budget by Council shall constitute appropriations of the amounts specified therein as expenditures from the funds indicated and shall constitute a levy of the property tax therein proposed.

Section 10.11: During the month of July, and as often as the Council may require, the administration shall present a budget status and forecast report to the City Council with any recommendations for remedial action.

Section 10.12: Amendments after adoption

Section 10.13: Every appropriation, except an appropriation for a capital expenditure fund or special fund, shall lapse at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that it has not been expended or encumbered.

Section 10.14: Copies of the budget and capital program as adopted shall be public records and shall be made available to the public in the City Clerk's office.

Section 10.15: An independent certified audit shall be made of all City accounts annually, and more frequently if deemed necessary by the Council.