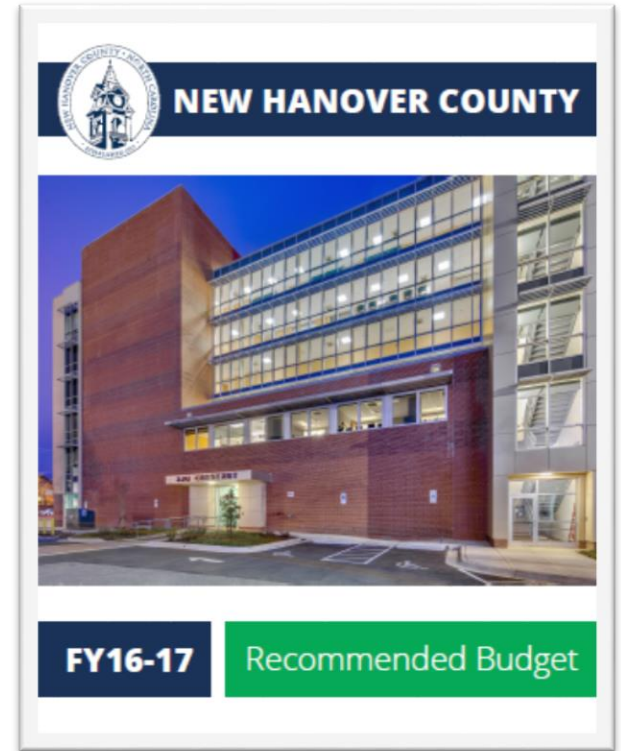


# FY16-17 Recommended Budget

## Public Hearing and Update

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# Recommended Budget Themes

- Advances superior education
- Advances superior public safety
- Meets ongoing, prior obligations
- Plans for the long term operating and financial sustainability of New Hanover County



# Recommended Budget

## General Fund

- \$317.7 million
- 3.0% increase from FY15-16 revised budget

## Fire Services

- \$13.2 million
- 5.2% decrease from the FY15-16 revised budget

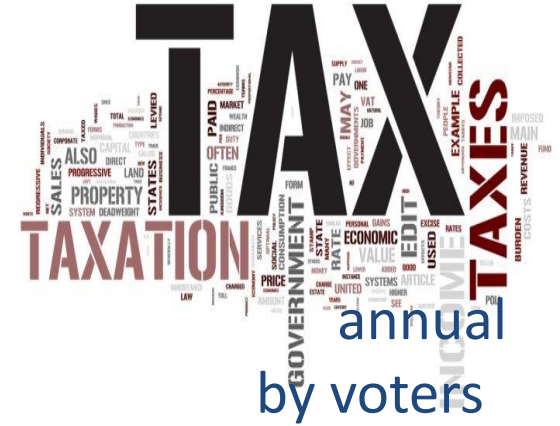
## Environmental Management

- \$15.5 million
- 11.9% increase from the FY15-16 revised budget



# Recommended Budget Tax Rate

- Proposed 62.9 cent tax rate
  - 5.5 cent tax increase
  - (netted to 5.35 after bond refunding)
  - Dedicated to pay for ongoing debt service approved
- Fire Service District tax rate maintained at 7 cents
- Environmental Management tip fee reduced from \$52 to \$50 per ton



# Recommended Budget Investments

## 1. New Hanover County Schools

- Current Expense: \$2,700 per pupil
- Capital: \$3.0 MM
- \$100,000 to Coastal Horizons / Wilmington Health Access for Teens for school-based health clinic

## 2. Cape Fear Community College

- Operating - \$10.4 million (same as FY16 allocation)
- Capital: \$0



# Recommended Budget Investments

3. New Additional Resources at the Sheriff's Office:
  - Detectives and intervention specialists with the Gang Task Force and creation of ELEMENTS -Youth Violence Intervention Program
  - Additional detectives to staff Opioid Task Force
  - 8 detention officers to address the safety and security in the detention center facility
4. Continues to fund prevention and intervention programs for at-risk youth



# Recommended Budget Investments

## 5. Economic Development

- \$100K Undesignated
- \$439K (WBD, WDI, SEDC, Film Commission, Southeastern Partnership)
- \$745K Economic Incentive Payments
- Capital Improvement Projects
  - FY17 includes \$14.6 MM for 421 water & sewer construction funded via loan proceeds



# Capital Planning

## 1. Five year Capital Improvement Plan

- FY16-17 \$31.4 million for CIP; \$3.3 million funded by General Fund revenues

## 2. Capital Outlay

- FY16-17 \$2.0 million for capital outlay
- Funded via General Fund revenues





# Personnel

- 37 Positions Recommended in General Fund
  - 21 Sheriff's Office
  - 12 DSS (~50% reimbursable)
  - 2 Health (1 CCNC funded)
  - 1 HR (ABC funded)
  - 1 Parks (partially funded by Airlie Foundation)
- 2 Positions Recommended in Other Funds
  - 1 Fire Services
  - 1 Environmental Management



# Fire Service District

- Revenues
  - Ad valorem tax rate of \$0.07
- Capital
  - \$254,000 Tender Replacement funded by loan proceeds
  - \$10,000 continued fire hydrant installation
  - \$4.6 million Ogden Fire Station replacement funded through loan proceeds



# Environmental Management

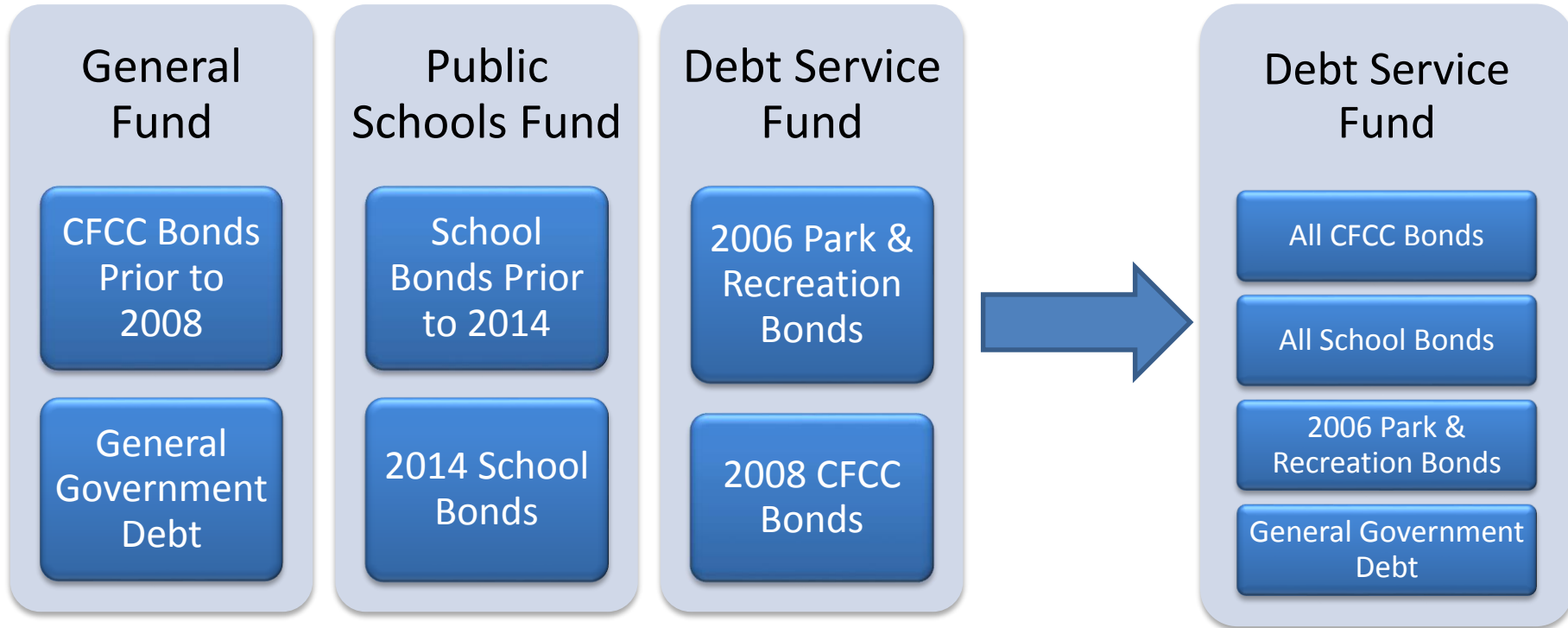
- Tip Fee
  - Reduced to \$50 / ton from \$52 / ton, a 3.8% reduction (3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year tip fee reduced)
  - Will remain at \$50 per ton through FY18-19
- \$50 tip fee allows the county to:
  - Fund operating obligations
  - Maintain unrestricted fund balance of at least 8%



# Structural, Board and Other Changes to Recommended Budget



# Debt Service Fund Structural Change



# Debt Service Refunding

## Total 2017 Savings

School Bonds Savings: \$580,954	CFCC Bonds Savings: \$73,923	Park & Recreation Bonds Savings: \$293,510
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# Board Changes to Recommended Budget

## 1. New Hanover County Schools

- Current Expense: Reduced to \$2,660 per pupil
- Capital: Reduced to \$2.015 MM

## 2. Cape Fear Community College

- Operating: Increased to \$10.9 million
- Capital: Increased to \$773K



# Board Changes to Recommended Budget

## 3. Outside Agencies / Partners

- WAVE - increased by \$55K to \$312K
- UNCW - \$167K (w/\$167K in FY18 & \$166K in FY19)
- CRC&D - \$9K
- Cape Fear Literacy Council - \$9.5K
- Friends of Fort Fisher - \$5K
- Warrior Family Ministries - \$7.2K





# Board Changes to Recommended Budget

## 3. Outside Agencies / Partners (continued)

- WARM - \$10K
- Recovery Resource Center - \$5K
- One Love Tennis - increased \$6K to \$25K
- COG Continuum of Care for Homelessness - increased \$12.5K to \$25K
- ACCESS of Wilmington – decreased \$5K to \$5K



# Other Changes to Recommended Budget

## 4. Economic Development

- Wilmington Regional Film Commission - reduced \$24K to eliminate 1x payment made in FY16 and net of CPI contractual adjustment
- Wilmington Business Development - increased \$2K for CPI contractual adjustment



# Other Changes to Recommended Budget

## 5. Adjustment to Tax Base

- \$10,000,000 increase to taxable base (increase of \$57K in revenues)

## 6. Debt Refunding Savings Budgeted for Contribution to Fund Balance - \$806K

## 7. Miscellaneous Changes

- Adjustments for grant allocations, etc.
- \$90K increase to backup 911 center CIP project for licenses and maintenance; paid with 911 surcharge



# Tax Rate – After Changes

- Proposed 62.3 cent tax rate
  - 4.9 cent tax increase
  - Dedicated to pay for ongoing annual debt service approved by voters
  - \$2.0 million contribution to Debt Reserve
- Assumes use of \$2.5 million CFCC bond premiums to pay CFCC debt service in FY17



# Questions . . .

