

Parks & Recreation

2025 Operating and 5-Year CIP Budget Presentation

FY25 – Budget Requests

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Vision, Mission & Values Department Statements





Parks and Recreation





∘ VISION

• To create a vibrant, growing community where a high quality of life is supported by robust commercial growth and an educated workforce.

∘ MISSION

- Parks & Recreation strives to provide relevant and diverse family, arts and cultural programming while improving our park facilities through upgrades and amenities that attract new and existing citizens, businesses, and tourism.
- Senior Services strives to enhance the quality of life for senior citizens with dedication to serving elderly residents, we work to identify, develop, implement, and coordinate diverse programs and services to address senior citizens' needs.

∘ VALUES

- Conservation: Protecting open space, connecting children to nature, and engaging communities in conservation practices.
- Health & Wellness: Leading the county to improve health and wellness through parks and recreation.
- Social Equity: Ensuring all people have access to the benefits of local parks and recreation.

FY25 -Personnel Budget Request

Opportunities & Challenges

SUCCESSES

- Pickleball and Sand Volleyball court install which is Phase I of the Wheeler Park Master Plan.
- Successfully installed new registration software Amilia (SmartRec).
- Therapeutic Recreation programming resumed
- Received multiple grants, including HARC funding liquid supplement for at-risk seniors, Atlanta Hawks Foundation for Sports Clinic, BOOST for summer camp programming GRPA for inter generational program "Arts for the Ages"
- 17U Boys Basketball Team won GRPA State tournament
- Hosted GRPA D6 Class A 14U/17U
 Basketball Tournament for second year.
- Won GRPA Athletic/Aquatics Network
 Outstanding Program for "Hoops After Dark"
- Completed 106 ARPA projects
- Expansion of Veteran Transportation Program to serve 12 VA sites after initially starting with 4.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Engagement of community/capture skills/volunteerism
- Outdoor Recreation and added amenities
- Fundraising & grants
- Efficient use of resources
- Shared services and new initiatives
- Increase marketing of department.
- Partnerships with PTA's, schools, committees and local service organizations
- Promote sponsorship program for community business to become more involved with partnerships with Rockdale County
- Veteran Transportation program expansion
- Senior Services licensure process
- Increase funding for Cultural Arts division
- New program targeting Dementia
- New partnership to provide Kinship Care services using leveraged funds

CHALLENGES

- Funding
- Ability to staff facilities
- Growth (city and county)
- Inflation
- Private businesses
- Natural disasters and weather
- Parking/Traffic
- Security/Safety
- Changes in DHS guidelines and background check system

FY25 Goals & Initiatives

Department's Reimagine Rockdale Strategic Plan

Access

- Continue to develop the trail from the Monastery to Johnson Park
- Expand the walking trail at Costley Mill.
- Rec N Crew (mobile recreation van) providing recreational programming to youth in desert communities in Rockdale County
- Expand veteran accessibility through marketing and program offerings to increase outreach to elderly and low-income veterans.

Equity

- Create sustainable post ARPA assistance program for seniors for utilities and home repair.
- Attract tourism with additional programming at Costley Mill Park.
- Increase partnerships with local and statewide organizations in order to host multiple athletic tournaments.

Innovation

- Work with Therapeutic Recreation to offer additional opportunities for clients to participate in various programming.
- Establish memory café and programs to support community members dealing with dementia.
- Complete Amenities for the Lawn at Wheeler Park.

Budget Summary

Parks and Recreation

*Report Provided by Finance

Parks and Recreation	Budget <i>FY 2024</i>	Proposed FY 2025	Change
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,301,316	\$2,045,443	\$ 744,127
Total Personnel Services & Benefits	\$3,190,614	\$4,455,283	\$1,264,669
Total Est. Budget Impact,	\$4,491,930	\$6,500,726	\$2,008,796

Budget Summary

Senior Services

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Senior Services	Budget <i>FY 2024</i>	Proposed FY 2025	Change
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 375,864	\$ 430,177	\$ 54,313
Total Personnel Services & Benefits	\$1,205,673	\$1,455,132	\$249,459
Total Est. Budget Impact	\$1,581,537	\$1,885,309	\$303,772

Operational Request

Parks & Recreation

	Description	FY24 Budget	FY25 Cost	Amount Change
6110	Cultural Recreation	\$67,651	\$252,850	\$185,199
6120	Participant Recreation	\$531,969	\$749,228	\$217,259
6137	Tennis Center	\$121,367	\$174,554	\$53,187
6180	Costley Mill	\$159,662	\$191,945	\$32,283
6200	Park Maintenance	\$420,668	\$676,867	\$256,199

Operational Request

Senior Services

	Description	FY24 Budget	FY25 Cost	Amount Change
5500	Operating Expenses	\$375,864	\$430,177	\$54,313

Operational Request Justification

Requests (Parks and Recreation)

Cultural Recreation \$135,199

 Increase due to expansion of Cultural programming with a new division and increase contract labor costs and additional cultural events (Summer Concert Series, Festivals, Art Shows, etc.); purchase of needed supplies.

Participant Recreation

\$217,259

o Increase due to additional programming, supply cost, new software registration system (Amilia), replacement of faulty athletic equipment, additional staff added and enrolling staff in professional development opportunities and conference attendance.

Tennis Center \$53,187

Increase in contract labor cost and additional programs and special events; added food line item due program increase. The
tennis center is a seven day, 76 hours per week operation that has new installed pickleball and sand volleyball courts.

Costley Mill \$32,283

• Increase due to advertising and marketing focus, cleaning services, repair and maintenance items and repairs.

Park Maintenance \$256,199

Increase due to supply, fuel and service fee costs, additional amenities (Two Kayak launches, Fitness Court, Splash Pad,
 Community Garden, Amphitheater, Skate Park, etc.) and parks (Rivers Bend) added to the inventory, security field netting for Johnson softball fields, trail expansions, and added security measures to parks and facilities.

Operational Request Justification

Requests (Senior Services) - 5500

522200 Repair and Maintenance

\$45,136

Increases in costs due to aging equipment and vehicles, needed roof repair and increase in security

523700 Education and Training

\$ 6,990

• Enrolling staff in certification courses to improve customer service/skills and further develop workforce

523850 Contract Labor

\$ 53,960

New services Respite and Personal Care; transferred expenses from 523900; Kinship care added

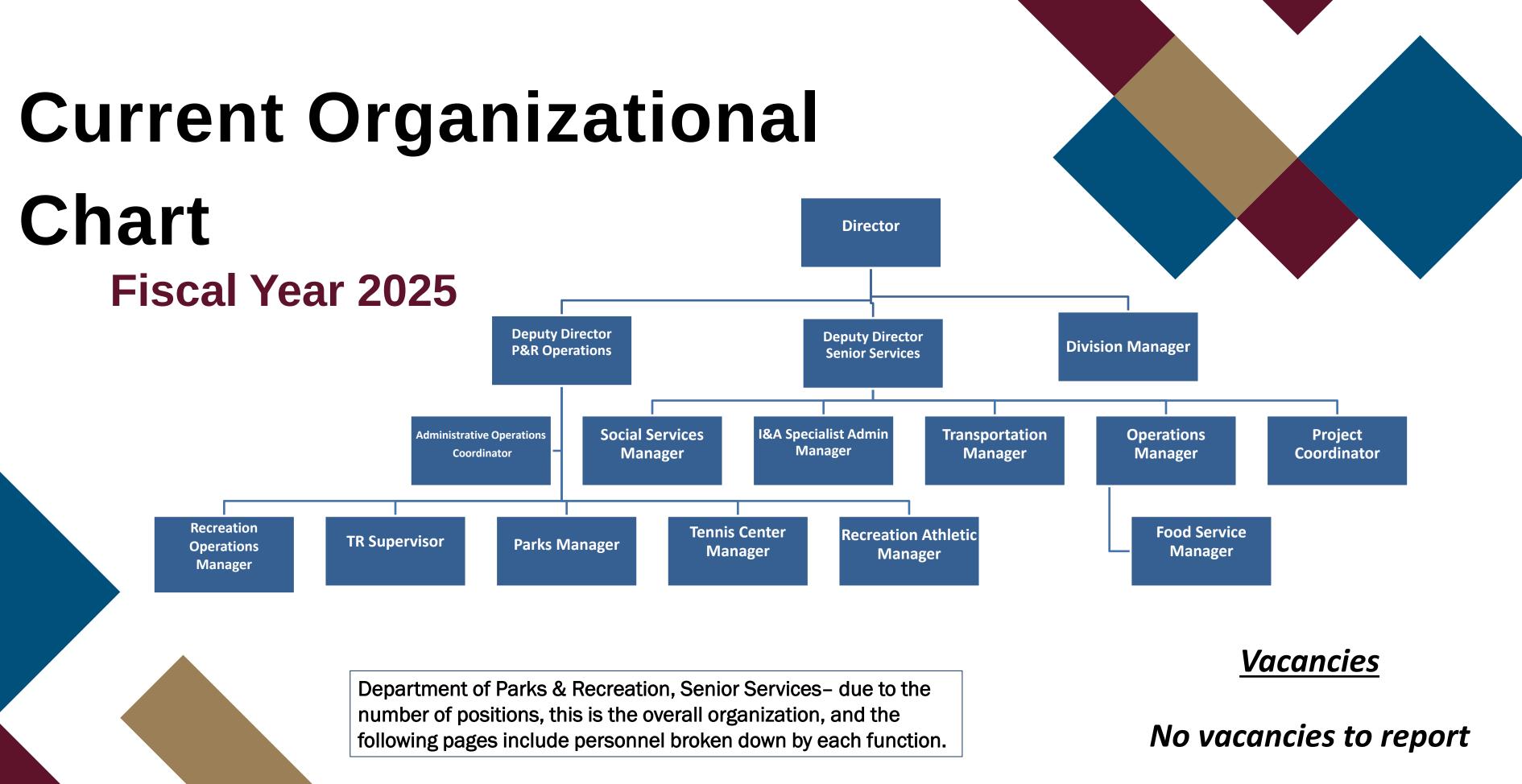
523900 Purchased Services

\$ 89,450

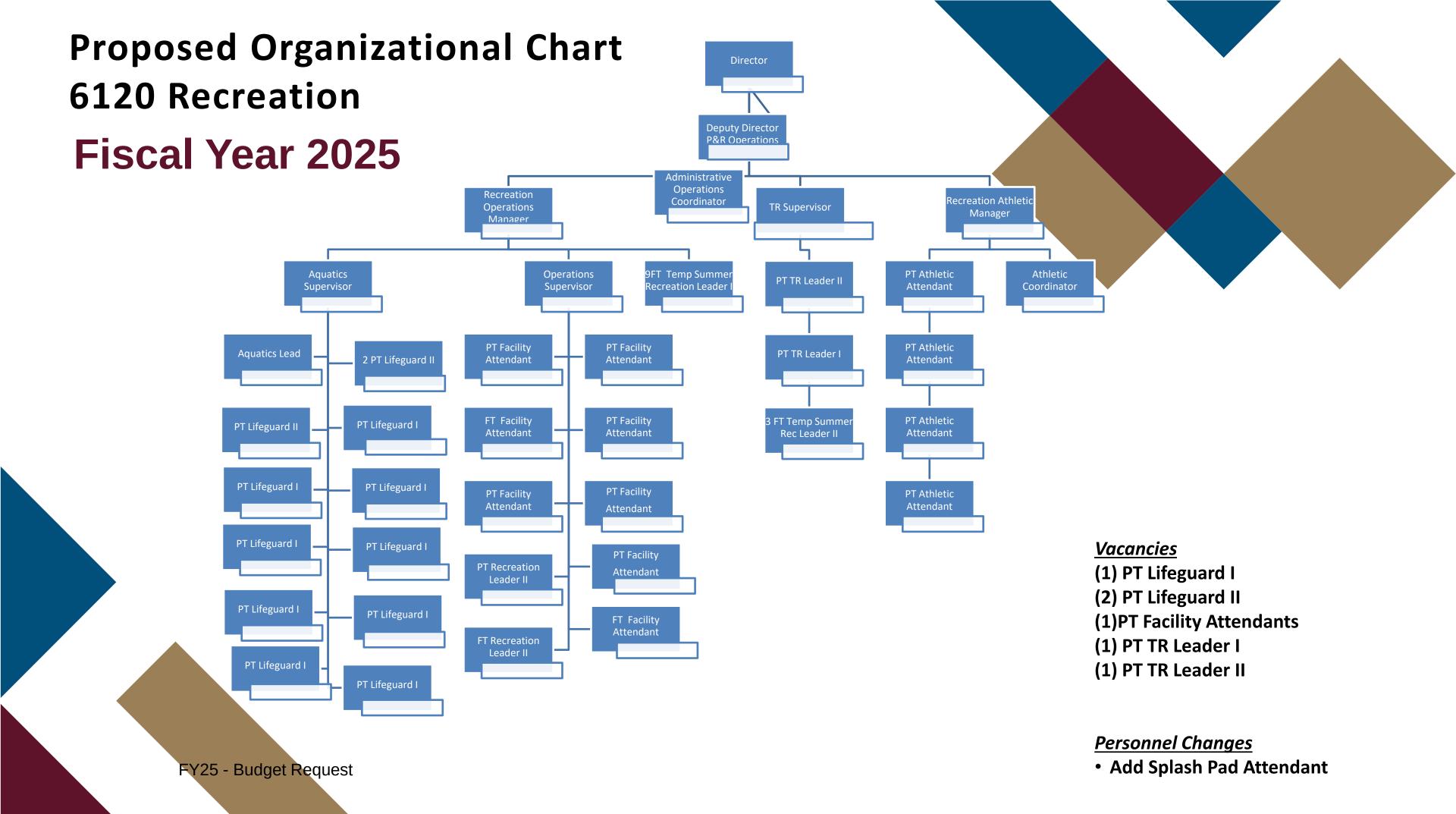
Reduction in line item; Program costs moved to 523850; Assistance for seniors added

531600 Small Equipment

• Replacement of furniture, kitchen commercial pots & pans, AEDs safety equipment, refrigerator \$ 7,613

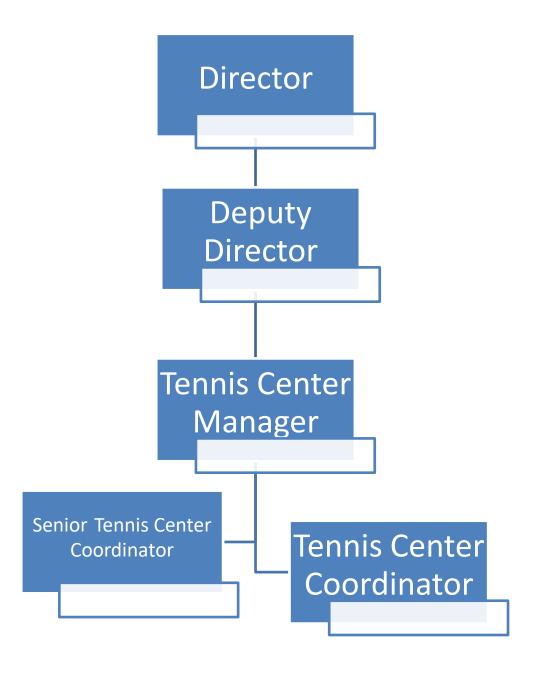


FY25 -Budget Request



Proposed Organizational Chart 6137 Tennis Center

Fiscal Year 2025

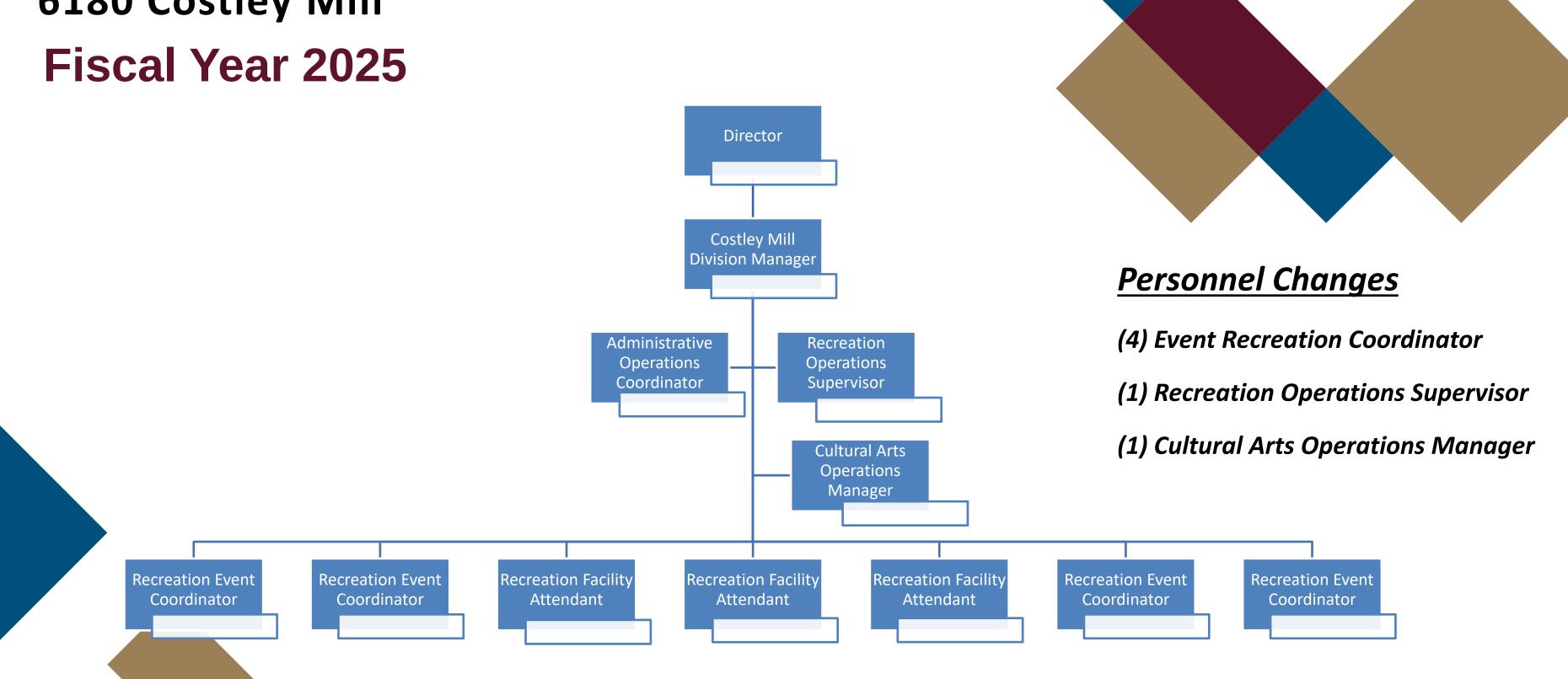


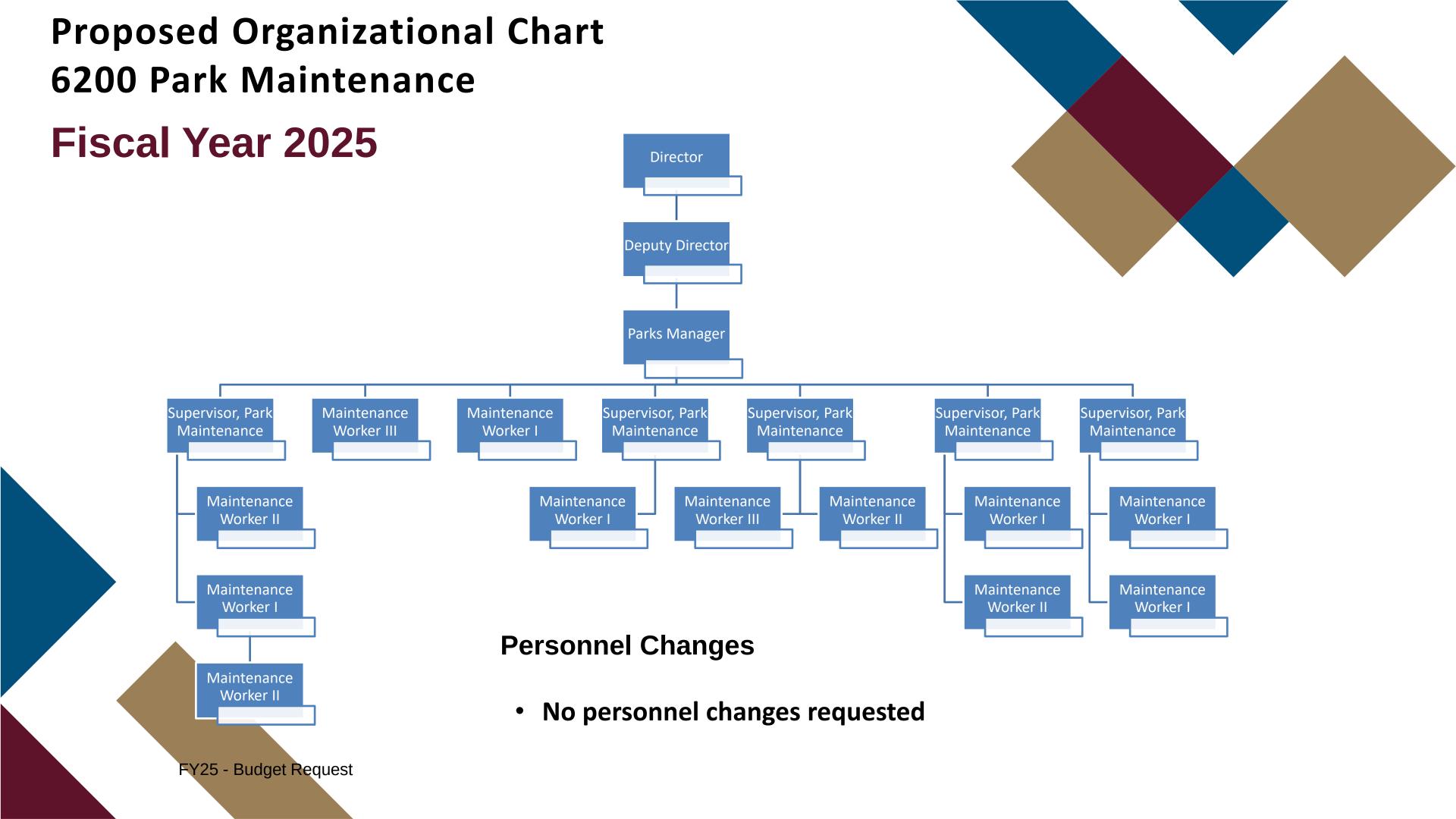


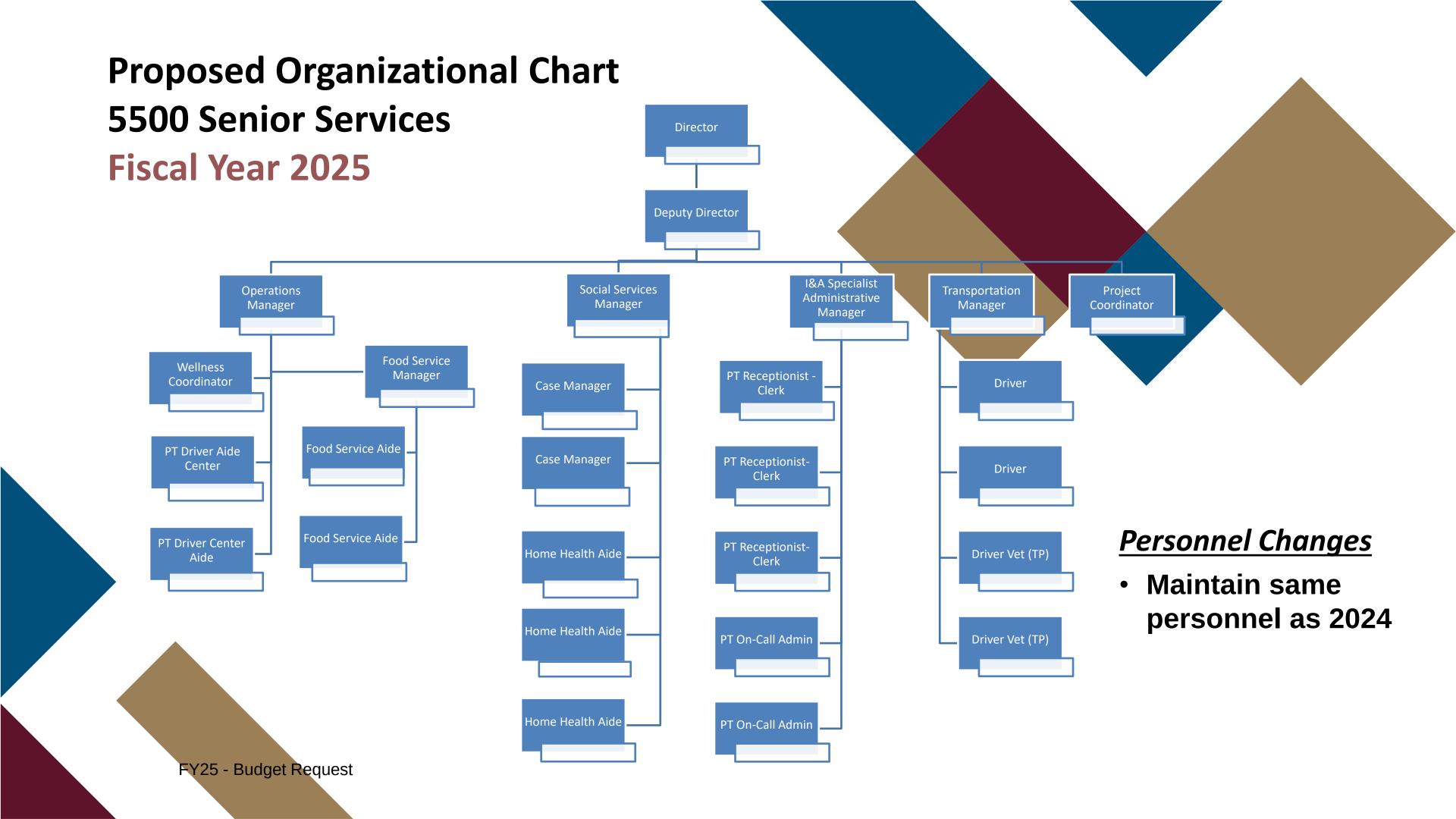
Personnel Changes

 No personnel changes requested

Proposed Organizational Chart 6180 Costley Mill







Personnel Request

FY25 Budgeted Department Total- 84

FY25 Requested Additional Personnel – 7

Job Title	Fund	Division	FTE or PT	Head Count	Request Type	Salary +40% Benefits
Recreation Operations Supervisor	100	6180	FTE	1	New Position	\$63,132.16
Recreation & Event Coordinator	100	6180	FTE	4	New Position	\$210,129.92
Arts & Culture Operations Manager	100	6120	FTE	1	New Position	\$80,466.06
Splash Pad Attendant	100	6120	FTE	1	New Position	\$9,600
				Total Est. Bu	ıdget impact	\$363,328.14

Request Justification

New Position Requests

Arts & Culture Operations Manager

1 FTE - \$80,466.06

 Manager is needed for newly added Cultural Arts Division which will focus on cultivating events, programs and managing film requests. The County and community are growing, and demand is extremely high for more cultural opportunities.

Recreation Operations Supervisor

1 FTE - \$63,132.16

Supervisor needed to oversee and coordinate facility rentals, setup and logistics for internal and external customers. This
position will also supervise recreational programs and events.

Recreation & Event Coordinator

1 FTE - \$52,532.48

Coordinators needed to support the high volume of facility rentals and program offerings. This position will be responsible for
coordinating event and rental request setups and breakdown, as well as the execution of recreational programming and
activities.

Splash Pad Attendant

1 FTE - \$9,600

This position will be a monitor to the two splash pads in the department inventory and pool at Johnson Park during the summer season (May-September). Currently, there are no designated/specialized staff to monitor the splash pads.



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5 Year CIP Request Summary

Johnson Park | Summary

Category	2025 2026		2026 2027		2027		2028	2029	Five	Year Total
Automotive Equipment	\$ 73,656.00			\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	73,656.00
Technology Programs & Improvements		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	S	
Construction & Heavy Equipment	\$ 82,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$	150,000.00
Building Improvements/Renovations/Expansions	\$ 4,000.00	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$ -	\$	4,000.00
New Buildings	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 350,000.00	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$ _	\$	350,000.00
TOTALS	\$ 509,656.00	\$	17,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$	17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$	577,656.00

Costley Mill Park | Summary

Category	2025 2026		2027	2028 2029 Five Year			Year Total		
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Automotive Equipment	\$	31,689.00		\$ 27,890.00	\$	•	13,995.00	\$	73,574.00
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Technology Programs & Improvements	\$	9,300.00						\$	9,300.00
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Construction & Heavy Equipment									
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Building Improvements/Renovations/Expansions									
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New Buildings									
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Infrastructure Improvements									
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TOTALS	\$	40,989.00		\$ 27,890.00	Ş	6	13,995.00	\$	82,874.00

Parks & Recreation 5 Year CIP Request Summary

Senior Services | Summary

Category	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Five Year Total
Automotive Equipment	\$ 288,653		\$150,000	\$45,000		\$483,653
Technology Programs & Improvements	\$13,800	\$6,500	\$150,000			\$170,300
Construction & Heavy Equipment						
Building Improvements/Renovations/Expansions	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$10,000		\$55,000
New Buildings						
Infrastructure Improvements						
TOTALS	\$312,453	\$21,500	\$320,000	\$55,000		\$708,953



Thank you