

Supplemental Budget Information – Item 5

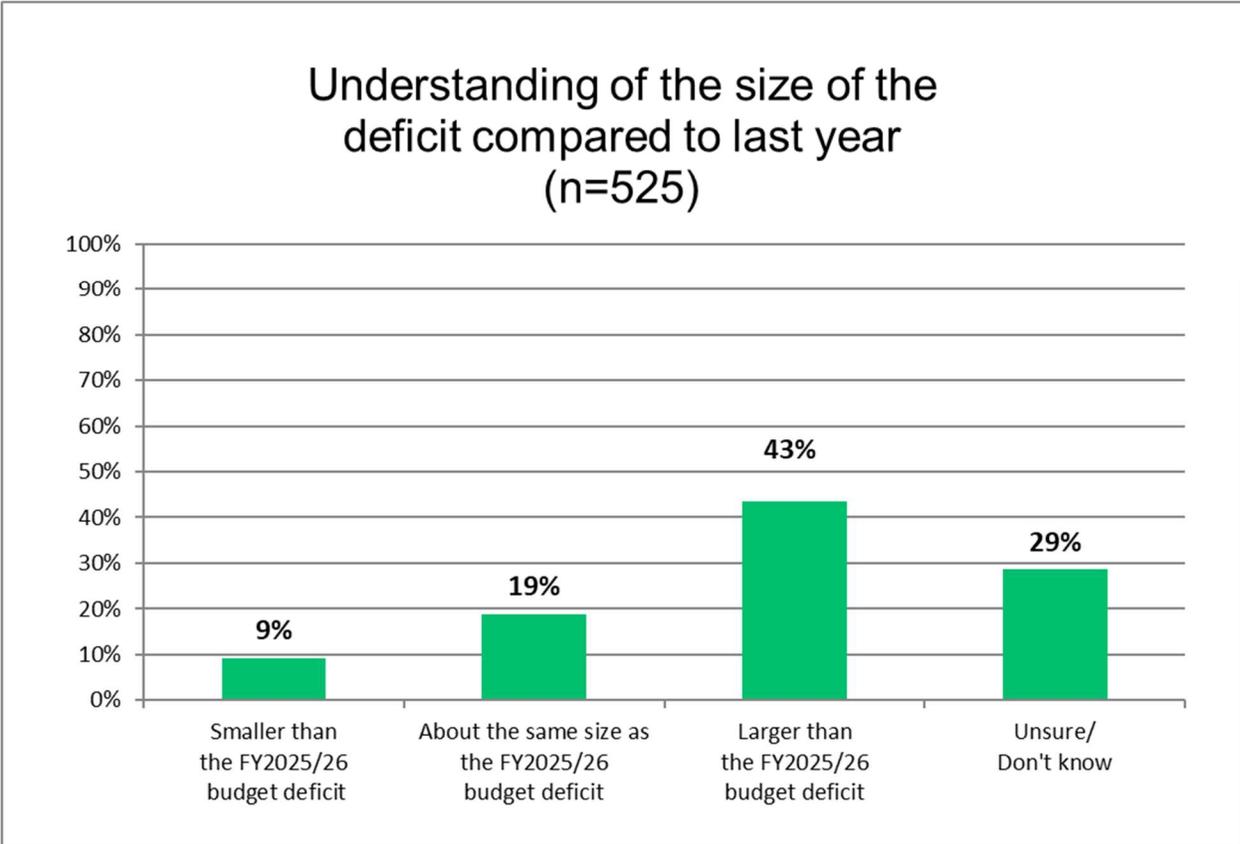
Question:

Results from the FY2026/27 Budget Survey.

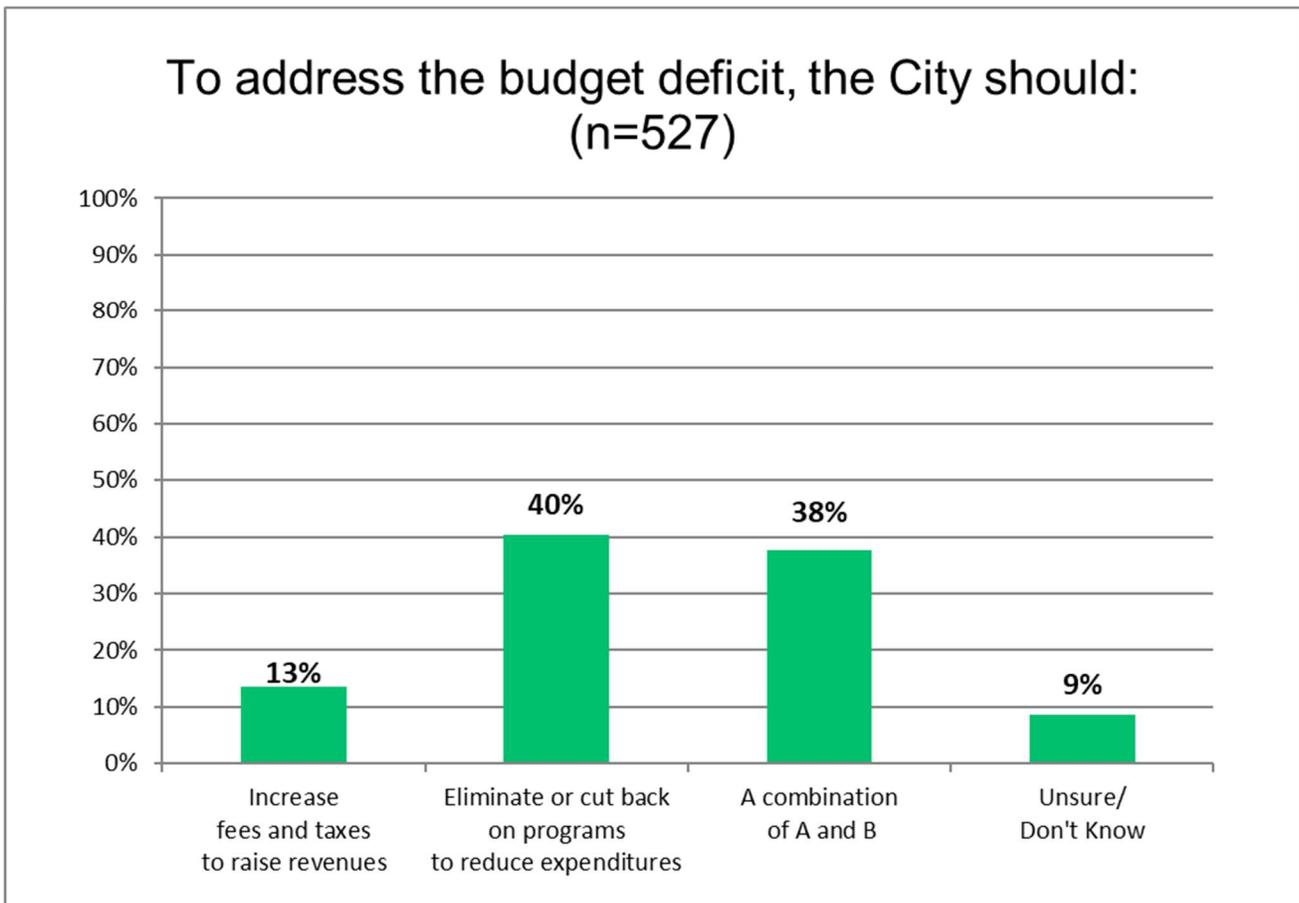
Response:

Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget Community Survey Results

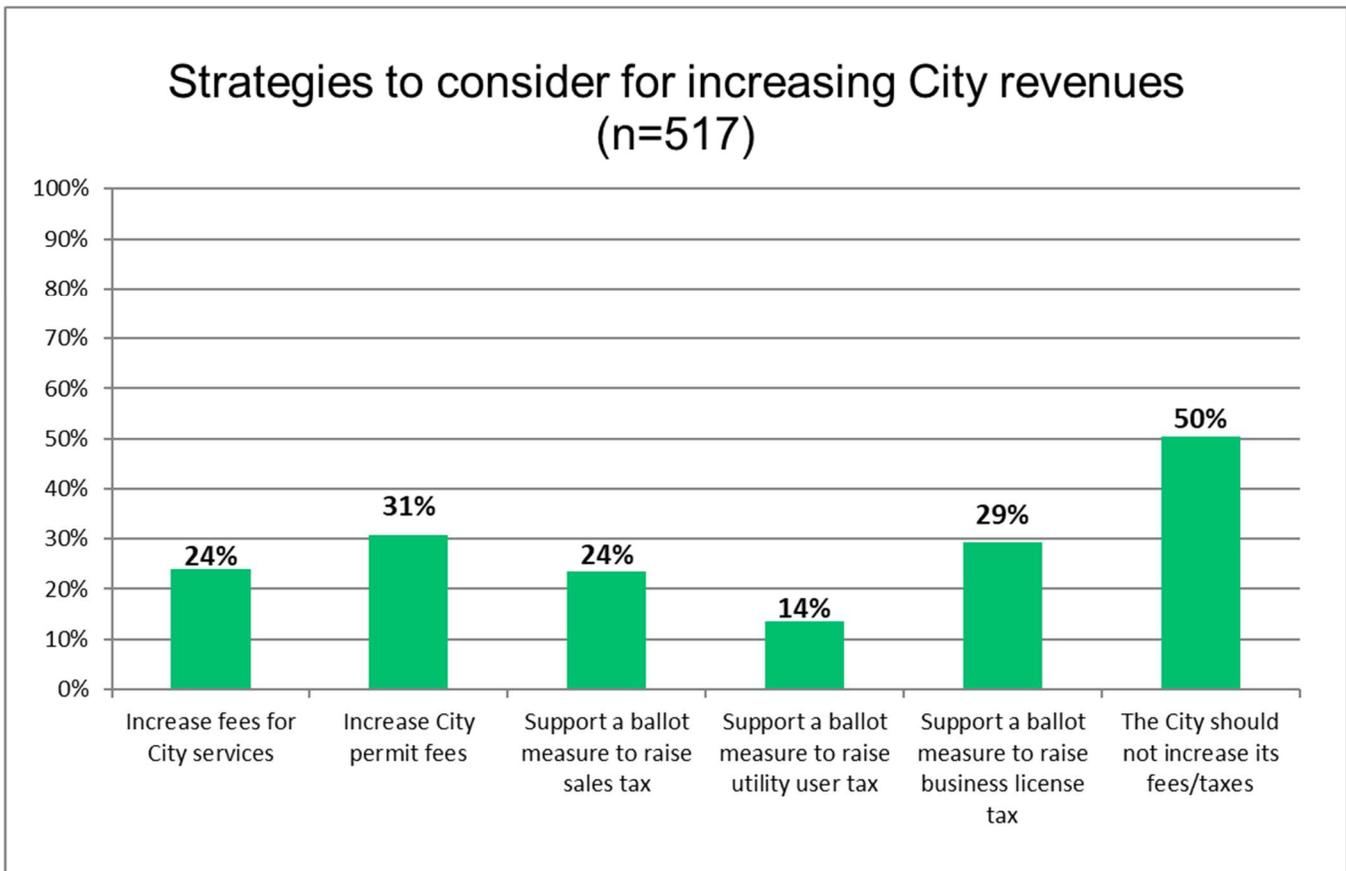
- 1) Last year, City staff forecasted that the City is facing a "structural budget deficit" with the rate of cost increases outpacing available City resources. The City closed a projected \$62 million deficit to balance the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025/26 budget with a combination one-time and ongoing budget balancing strategies. As we approach budget development for Fiscal Year 2026/27, do you think the City's budget deficit will be:
- a) Smaller than the FY2025/26 budget deficit
 - b) About the same size as the FY2025/26 budget deficit
 - c) Larger than the FY2025/26 budget deficit
 - d) Unsure / Don't know



- 2) To address the budget deficit, should the City:
- a) Increase fees and taxes to raise revenues
 - b) Eliminate or cut back on programs to reduce expenditures
 - c) A combination of A and B
 - d) Unsure / Don't Know



- 3) To increase City revenues, what strategies should be considered? Please choose all that apply.
- a) Increase fees for City services
 - b) Increase City permit fees
 - c) Support a ballot measure to raise sales tax
 - d) Support a ballot measure to raise utility user tax
 - e) Support a ballot measure to raise business license tax
 - f) The City should not increase its fees/taxes

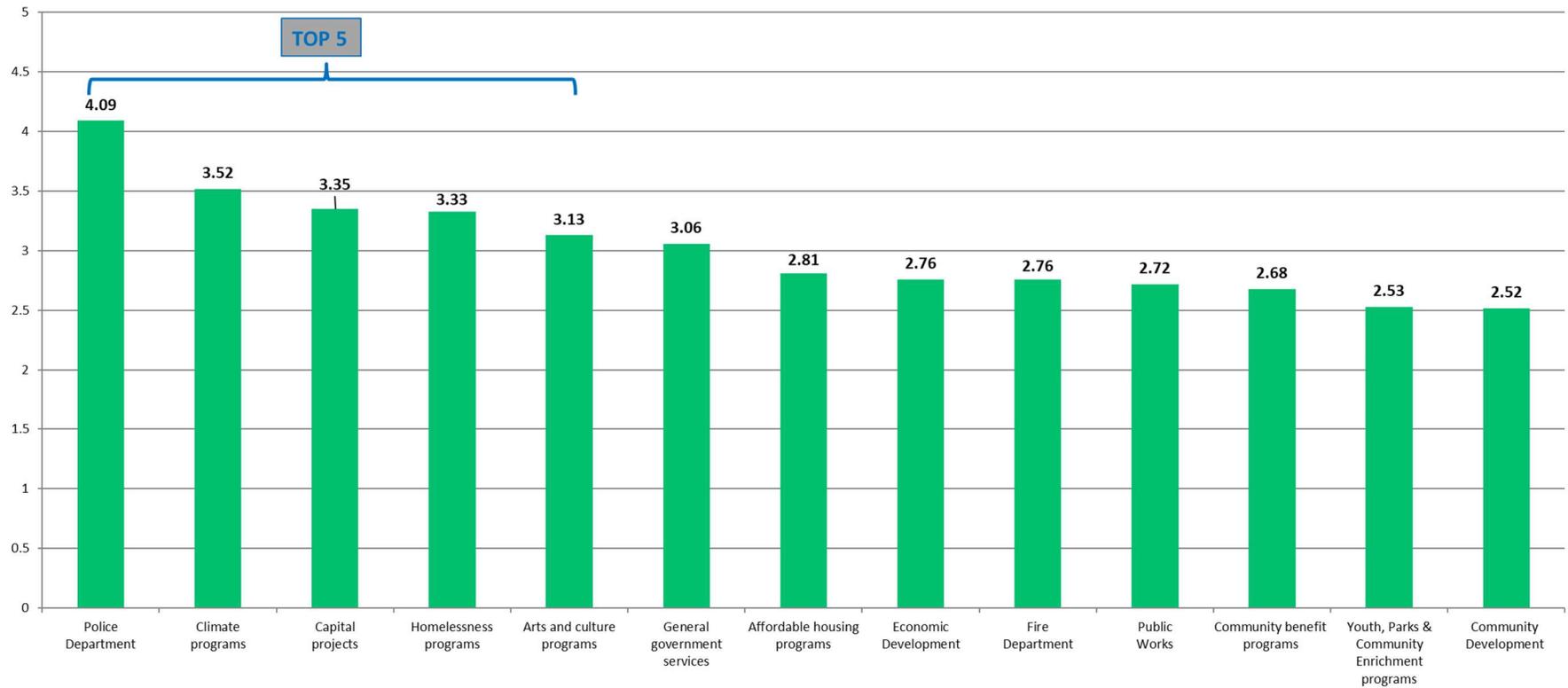


- 4) Please indicate your level of support for reducing expenses in each of the following areas by selecting your top five choices.

Select "Strongest Support for Expense Reductions" for the area in which you most support reducing expenses, "2nd Strongest Support for Expense Reductions" for your next choice, and so on.

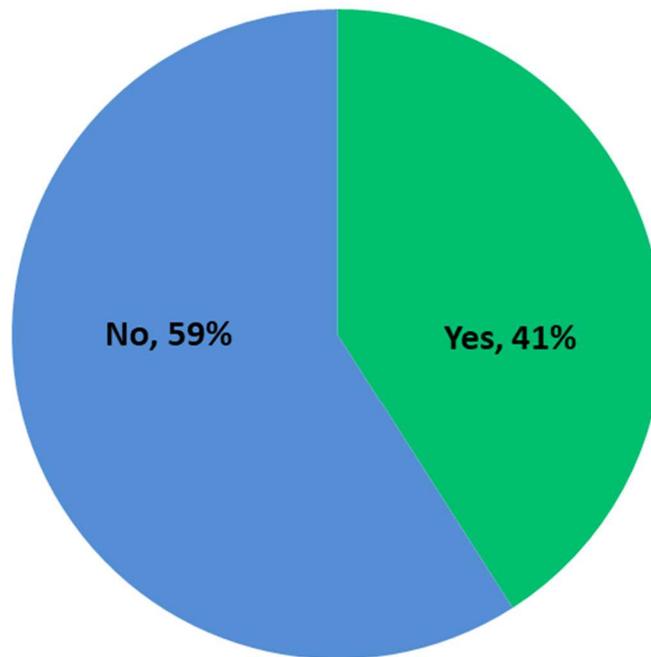
- a) Affordable housing programs
- b) Arts and culture programs
- c) Capital projects (large new projects or infrastructure improvements)
- d) Climate programs
- e) Community benefit programs (such as free Sacramento Regional Transit rides for school-age children)
- f) Community Development (Animal Care, Code Enforcement and Planning)
- g) Economic Development
- h) Fire Department
- i) General government services (Information Technology, Human Resources, Finance, Clerk, Auditor, City Attorney)
- j) Homelessness programs
- k) Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment programs
- l) Police Department
- m) Public Works (Roads, public facilities and tree maintenance, parking)

Public's ranking of the top five expense reduction options (n=519)



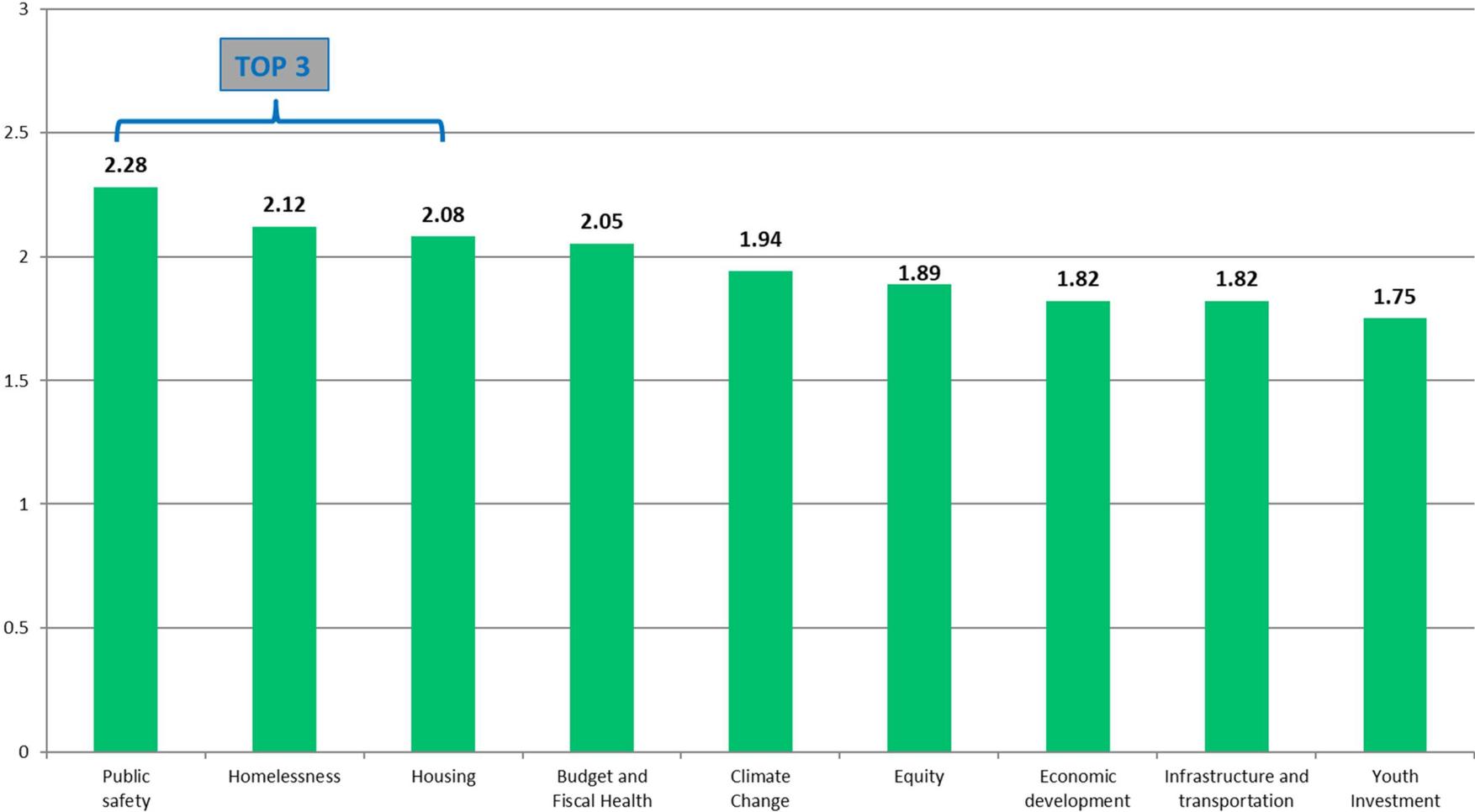
- 5) The City Council participated in a public priority and goal setting workshop in September 2025. Council members collectively selected homelessness, public safety, and economic development as their top three priorities. Do you believe those should be the top priorities for the City?

Should Homelessness, Public Safety, and Economic Development remain as the top 3 priorities for the City (n=525)

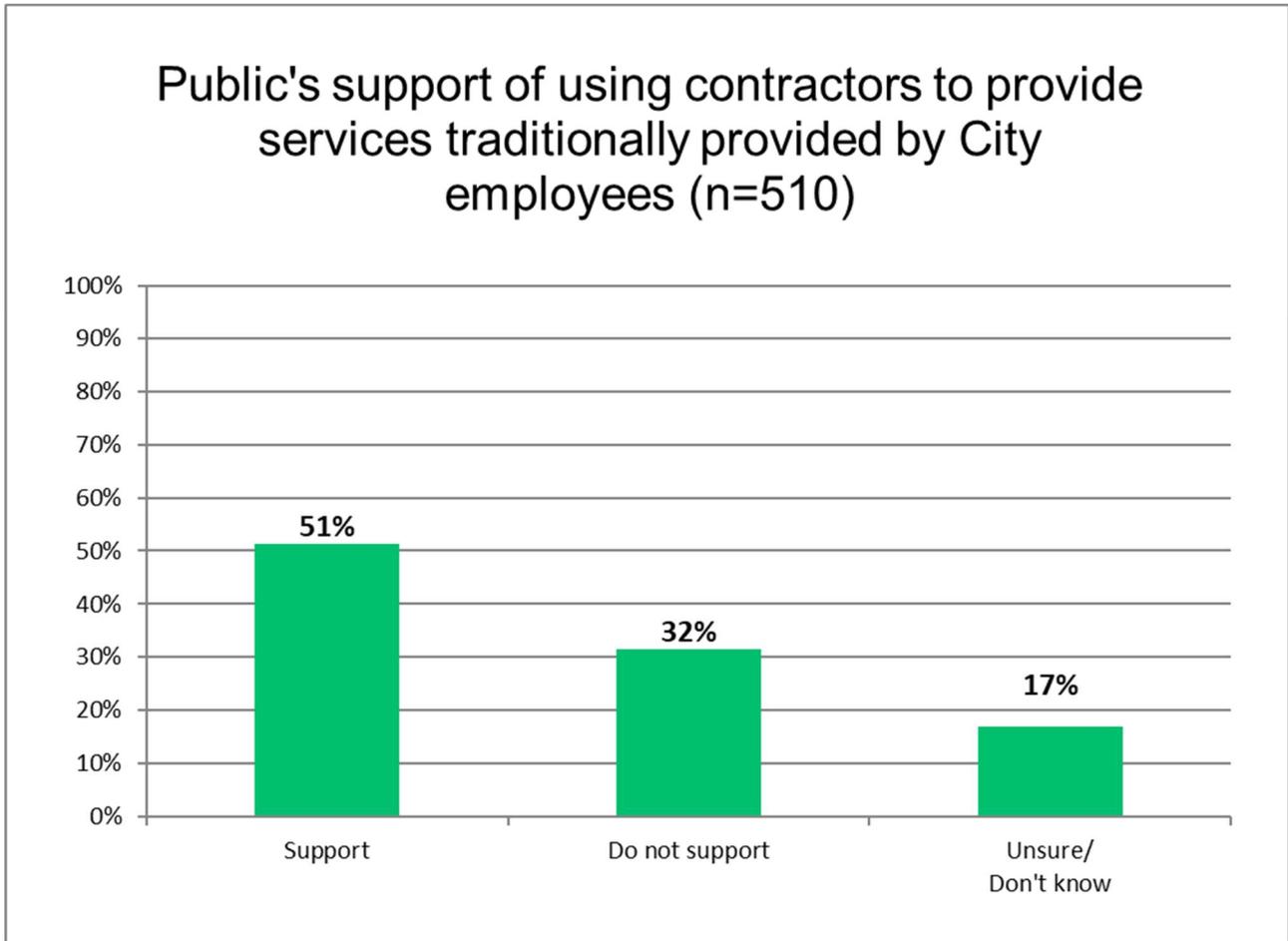


- 6) If no, please select your top three priorities from the choices provided to Council in the 2025 public priority setting workshop:
- a) Homelessness
 - b) Housing
 - c) Fiscal sustainability
 - d) Public safety
 - e) Diversity, equity and inclusion
 - f) Deferred maintenance/infrastructure investment
 - g) Economic development and creative economy
 - h) Youth
 - i) Climate

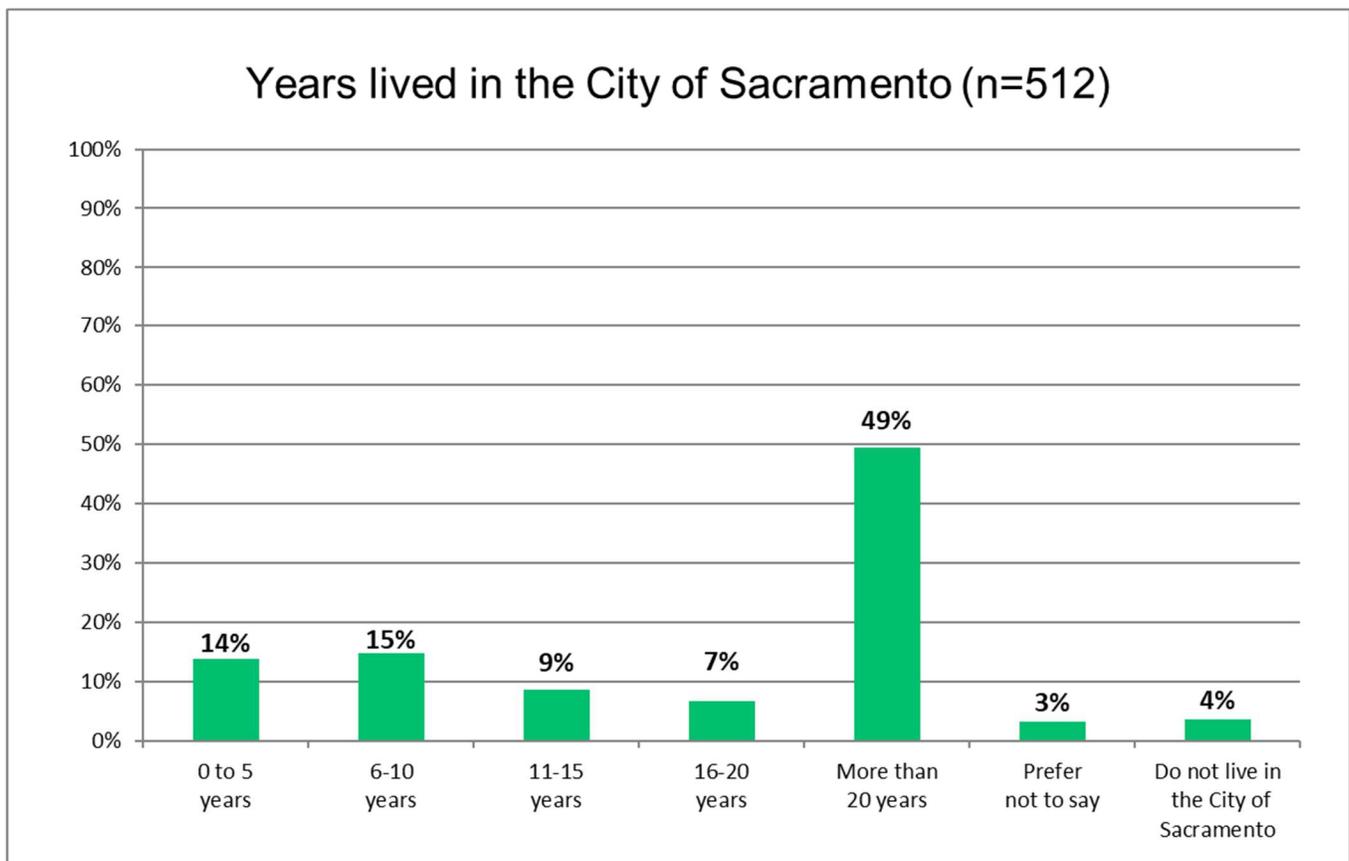
Public's ranking of the top three priorities (n=304)



- 7) Would you support using contractors to provide services traditionally provided by City employees if it would help decrease the budget deficit?
- a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) Unsure/Don't know

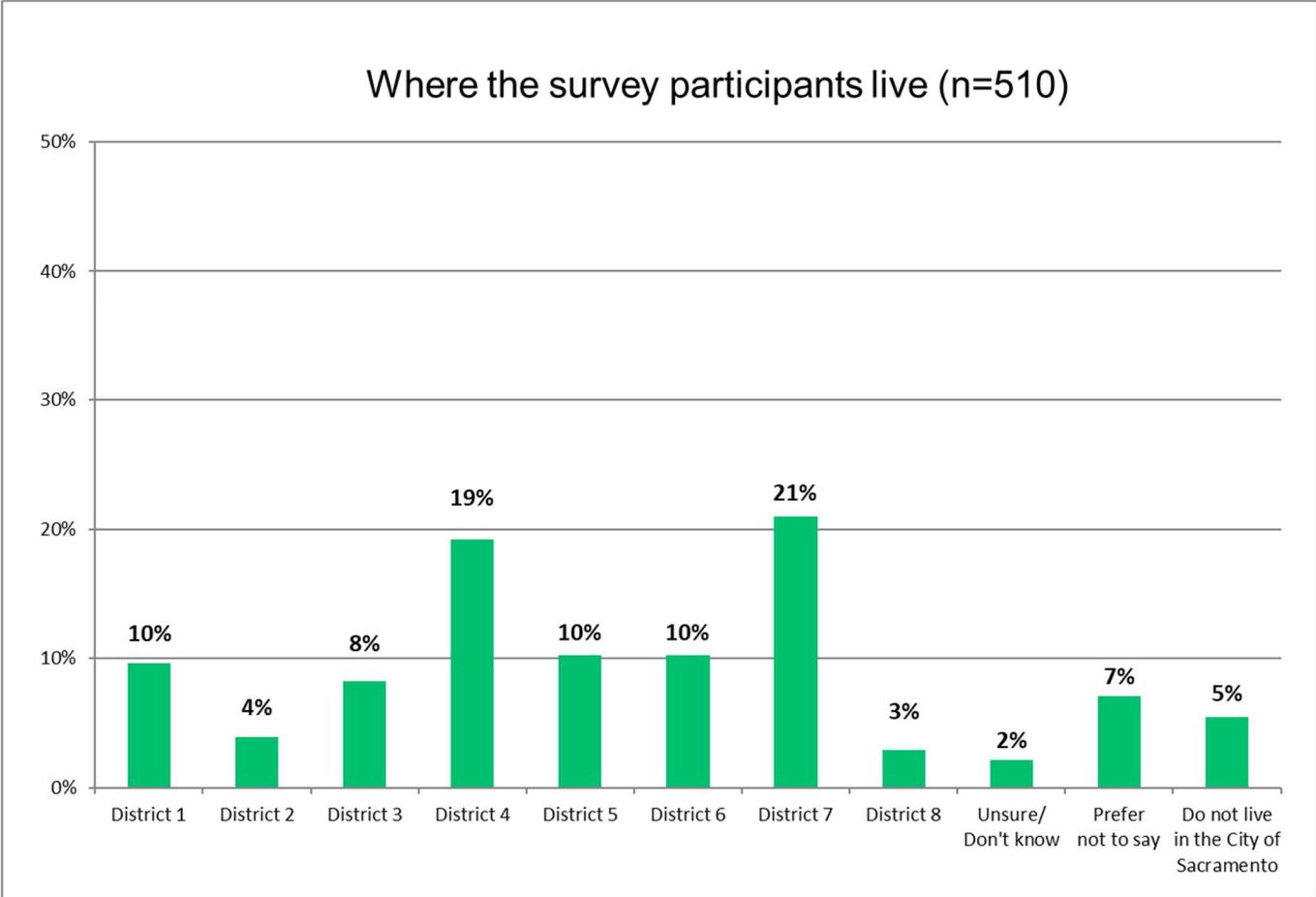


- 8) How many years have you lived in the City of Sacramento?
- a) 0 to 5 years
 - b) 6-10 years
 - c) 11-15 years
 - d) 16-20 years
 - e) More than 20 years
 - f) Prefer not to say
 - g) I do not live in the City of Sacramento



9) What City of Sacramento Council district do you live in (find your district here)?

- a) District 1
- b) District 2
- c) District 3
- d) District 4
- e) District 5
- f) District 6
- g) District 7
- h) District 8
- i) Unsure/Don't know
- j) Prefer not to say
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10) What is your age range?

- a) Under 20 years of age
- b) 20-24 years of age
- c) 25-29 years of age
- d) 30-34 years of age
- e) 35-39 years of age
- f) 40-44 years of age
- g) 45-49 years of age
- h) 50-54 years of age
- i) 55-64 years of age
- j) Over the age of 64
- k) Prefer not to say

