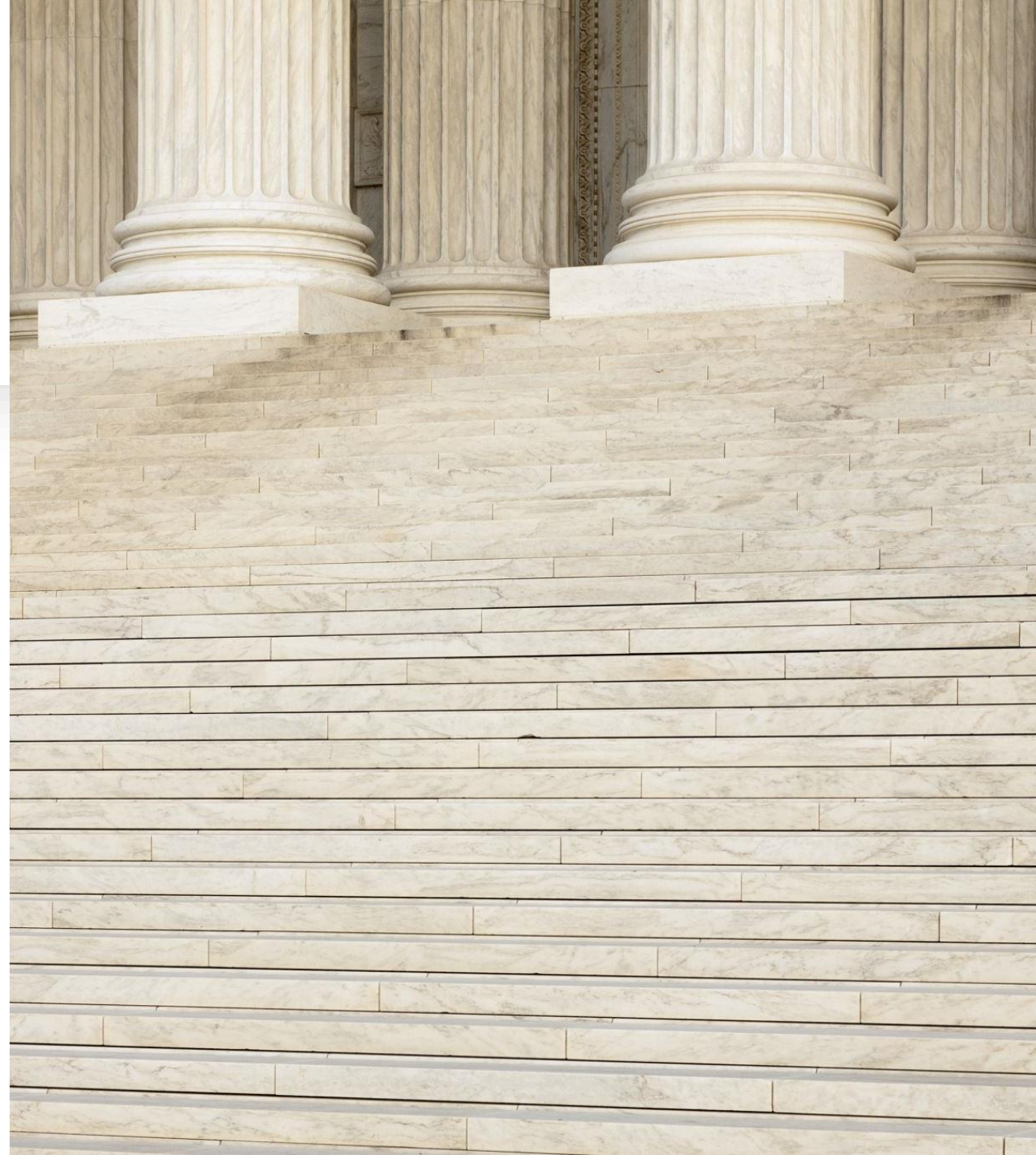


City Attorney's Office – Civil FY25 Budget

- Ryan Sudbury – City Attorney for Civil Services
- Susan Aaberg – Chief Civil/Administrative City Attorney
- Tim DeFors – Deputy City Attorney
- Aislinn Airhart – Senior Legal Assistant



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HIGHLIGHTED PRIORITY WORK

Ongoing Litigation Defense

- 16 Open Cases Involving the City in FY25
 - Victory in the Western Montana Landlords case
 - Initial Success in East Missoula Litigation

Priority Project In-House Legal Support

- Riverfront Triangle Development
- Water Rights – Miller Creek Rights and Clark Fork Basin Adjudication
- RCA Park Acquisition
- Ravara and Southgate Mall Projects
- Land Use Plan and Code Reform Project

City-Affiliated Agency Support

- Missoula Housing Authority – Continued Expansion
- MUTD – CAO-Supported Arbitration Victories



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Budget Status

Current Baseline Budget Overview

- Salary & Benefits FY25 \$602,573
- Supplies FY25 \$2,350
- Services, Dues & Training FY25 \$16,800

City Attorney - Civil Services				
Total Expenditures				
	Budget	Acutals (as of Apr 8)	Projections	Anticipated Savings
Personnel	\$ 602,573	\$ 516,558	\$ 602,573	\$ -
Supplies	\$ 2,350	\$ 528	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,350
Other Operating	\$ 16,800	\$ 6,093	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,800
Total	\$ 621,723	\$ 523,180	\$ 613,573	\$ 8,150



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Budget Status

FY25 Austerity Measures

- Voluntarily Reduced FY25 Non-Salary Allocation by 9%
- Limited FY25 Spending to Mission-Critical Expenditures for Additional Savings

FY 26 Potential Additional Savings

- Reclassifying Civil Chief Attorney to Deputy City Attorney
- Hold Retiring Attorney Position Vacant Short-Term



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On the Horizon for FY26

- Retirement and Recruitment
- Reclassification of Legal Support Position
- Increased Litigation and Water Rights Load
 - Record Number of Open Civil Cases
 - Historic Preservation Commission Litigation
 - Clark Fork Basin Adjudication & Final Decree
- Case Management Software
- Employment and Collective Bargaining Training
- Managing Increased Workload from New MHA Managed Units

