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## **Land Use Bureau – FY 2020-21 Budget Request Summary**

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### **1. Operating Budget**

- Department revenue increased by 26% from FY 17-18 to FY 18-19 to \$1.1 million; revenue almost doubled since FY16-17 (new fee structure went into effect on 1/1/2018)
- Land Use Bureau is requesting a program expansion to hire an Environmental Analyst (UAW UA13-1 \$65321). This program expansion is necessary because of the expected additional workload due to the review of the federally required stormwater management requirements (“MS4”).

### **2. Capital Budget**

- Requesting funds for conducting a Resiliency and Climate Adaptation Study. The study will assess coastal floor risk (including vulnerable city infrastructure) and develop mitigation strategies and priorities. Study is a prerequisite for potential future federal and state grants.
- Cost of the study is expected to be \$150,000.
- \$50,000 of “fresh” money requested, remainder will be transfer of already appropriated funds.

### **3. Work Program Highlights**

- Continue overhaul of Zoning Regulations
- Conduct citywide Parking and Housing Affordability studies
- Implement 5G policies
- Move towards “paperless” application review for Zoning and Planning, Zoning Enforcement, EPB and ZBA