

Laredo Municipal Court Budget Presentation FY20-21

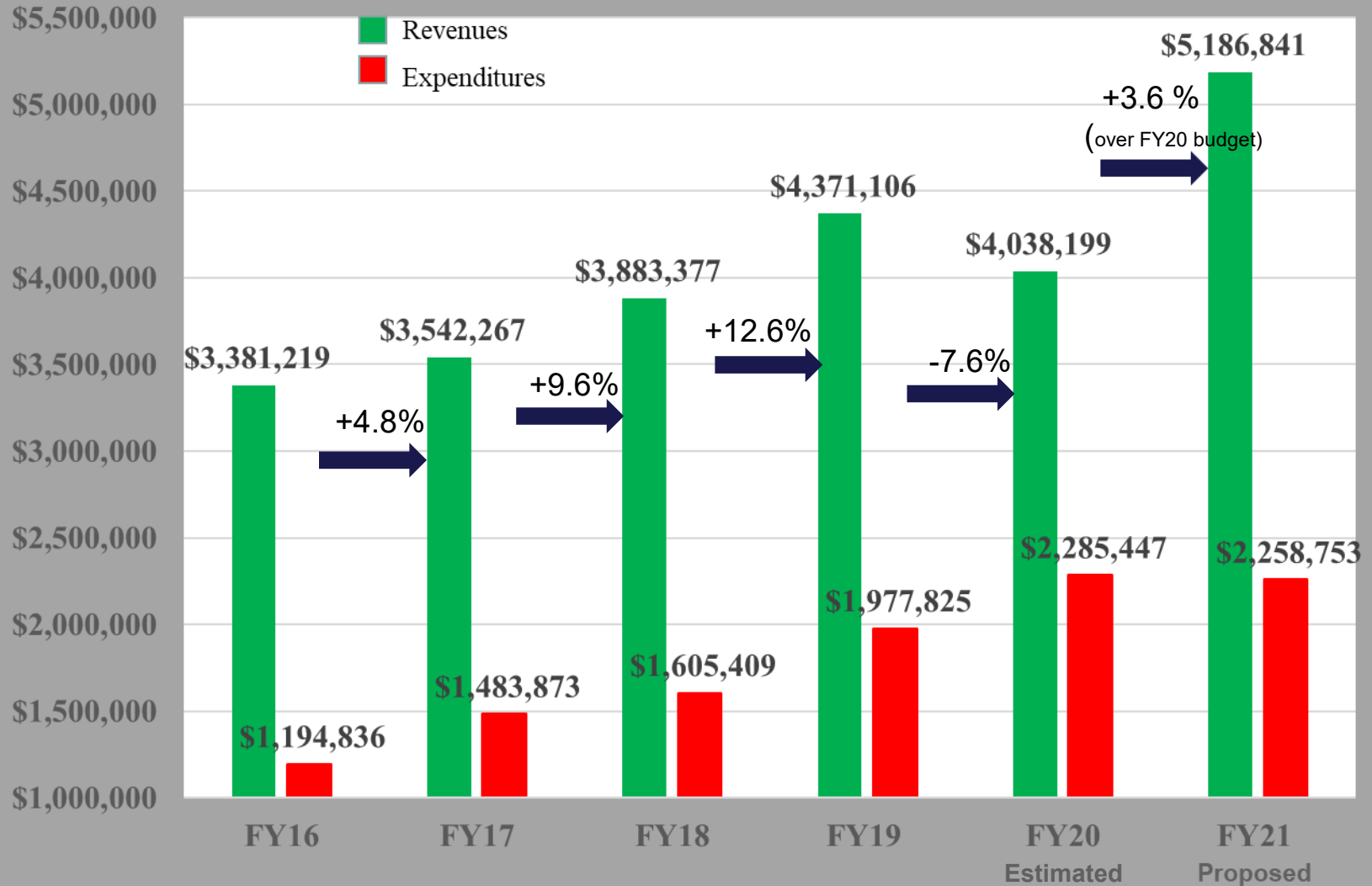


Mission Statement

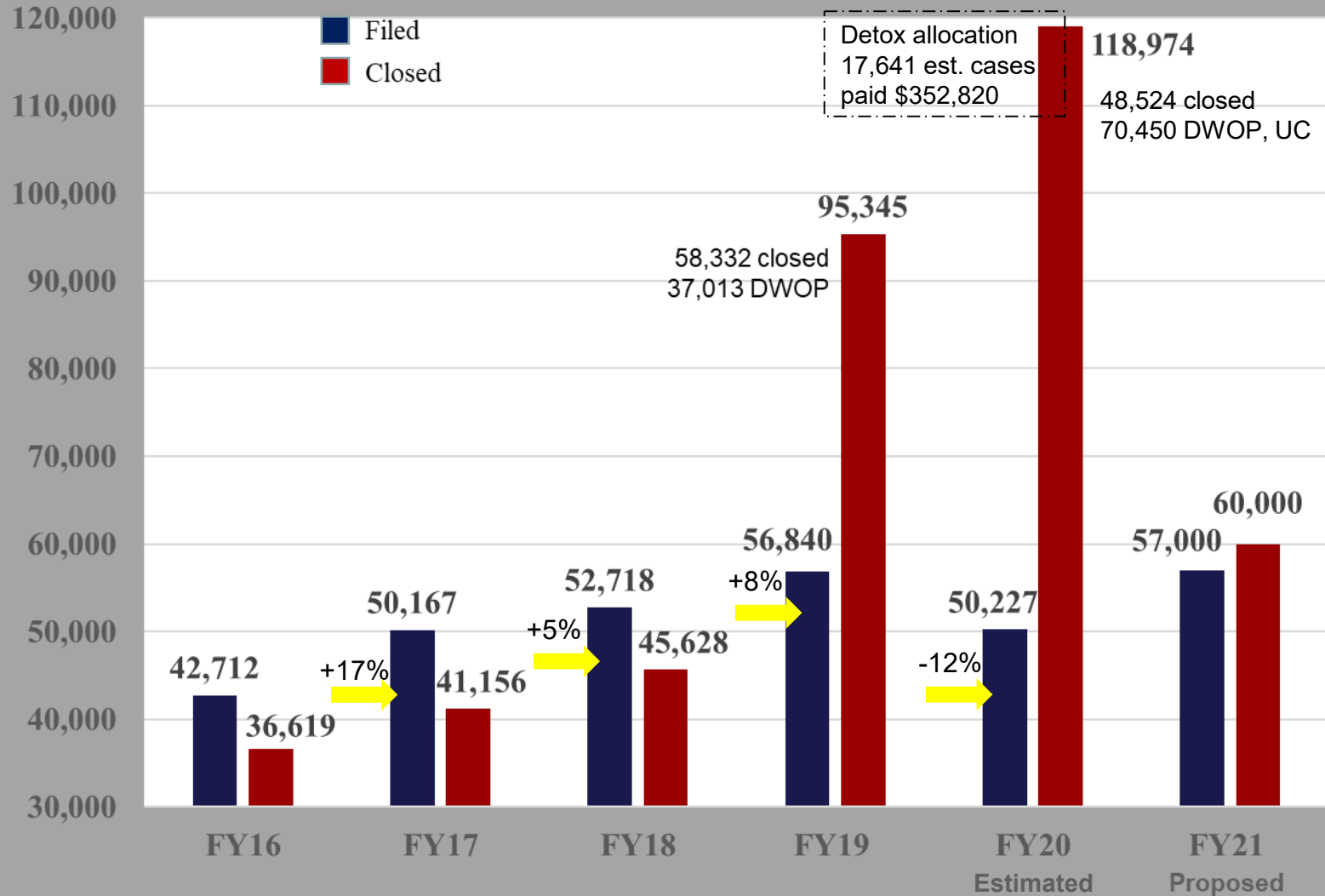
Provide a forum for a fair and impartial trial and disposition of all city ordinance violations and State Law Class C misdemeanor violations and do so as expeditiously as possible without adversely affecting the quality of justice.



Fines/Fees & Expenditures



Cases Filed and Closed



Personnel - FTE's

Personnel	FY20-21
Municipal Court Clerk	1
Asst. Court Clerk (3 vacant)	19
Admin Asst. I	1
Asst. City Attorney II	1
Custodian	1
Municipal Court Bailiff (1 vacant, 1 unfunded)	2
Deputy Municipal Court Clerk II (unfunded)	1
Municipal Court Judge	1
Assoc. Municipal Court Judge (2 @ .50)	1
Total	28

Court Activity

Pre-Pandemic

- 8 court dockets plus scheduled approx. 10 trials (BT/JT) per week

Pandemic

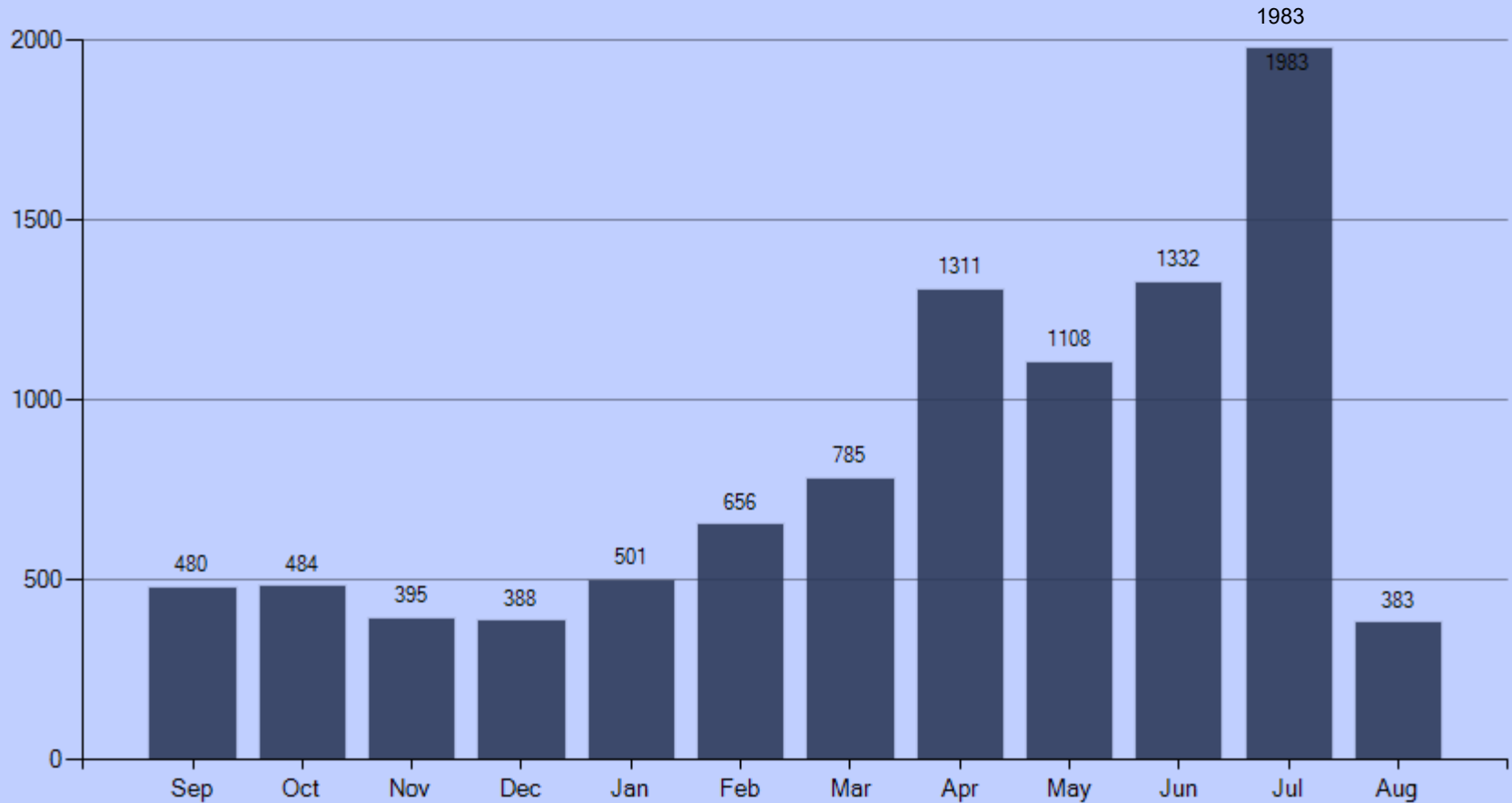
- 3/16/2020 – suspended in-person court proceedings, building remained open for filings, payments, and inquiries
- 4/6/2020 – began virtual court proceedings
 - 10 virtual court dockets, 2-3 bench trials per week
 - As of 8/6/20, 174 court sessions, 4821 participants, 30 trials
- 6/29/20 – closed building to the public, continue with virtual court

Resume In-Person Proceedings

- Required to submit an COVID 19 Operational Plan for approval
- Expected date: TBD
- Continue with virtual court proceedings

Online Court Payments

■ All Successful Payments (Last 12 Months)



As of 8/6/2020

Projects Completed

X-ray/Scanner - \$40,325



Technology Projects

Completed

Disaster Recovery Services - \$13k



In Progress

Online Record Search - \$5k

Tyler Content Management (TCM) - \$40k
“paper lite” environment,
offer more online services (deferred, DSC, etc.)



Expect to be fully transitioned before we begin in-person proceedings

Projects In Progress

Offsite Court Proceedings

MOS Library Districts 1 & 2	Sept. 27, 2019	103 participants
Haynes Recreation Ctr. Districts 3 & 4	Nov. 8, 2019	116 participants
Fire Admin Bldg. Districts 5 & 6	Feb. 7, 2020	158 participants
PENDING: District 7	TBD	
PENDING: District 8	TBD	

Projects in Progress

Municipal Court Remodel – to date \$149,650



Before remodel

Projects in Progress



Projects in Progress

1 large courtroom
to
1 main courtroom
2 smaller courtrooms



8 benches pre courtroom
approx. 40 persons



Projects in Progress

Staff Development

Court Clerk Certification Level I

Five clerks certified



Licensed Court Interpreter (LCI) – ongoing

Texas Assoc. Judiciary Interpreters and Translators (TAJIT)

Judicial Branch Certification Commission (JBCC)

Questions?

Thank you.

