

MAYOR

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DESCRIPTION

As the city's chief executive officer, the mayor has the power to execute and enforce provisions of the city's charter, exercise supervision over the administration of all city departments, approve or veto decisions of the city council, and submit to city council the recommended annual budget.

The mayoral election is non-partisan. (Candidates don't run as members of a particular political party.) The mayor serves a 4-year term and is limited to 2 consecutive terms.



The mayor is chair of the Board of Directors for Invest Atlanta, the City's economic development authority. (Atlanta Belt-Line is a component.)



The mayor appoints all 7 members of Atlanta Housing's Board of Commissioners, including 2 resident commissioners.



Atlanta Public Schools is an independent system with no governance from the mayor or city council. The school board is elected separately and hires the superintendent.

QUALIFICATIONS

Mayoral candidates must:

- be at least 18 years old, a resident of the city for at least one year, a registered voter of the city, and not an employee of the city
- pay a set qualifying fee of \$5,529.00 or file a pauper's affidavit showing inability to pay and obtain enough signatures on a qualifying petition
- qualify during qualifying period (August 17-20, 2021) or file notice of intention as a write-in candidate (by August 27, 2021) and publish notice in the *Fulton County Daily Report*

APPOINTMENTS

The mayor appoints key positions such as:

- Police Chief
- Fire Chief
- Airport General Manager
- Chief Operating Officer

The mayor appoints department heads such as:

- City Planning
- Parks & Recreation
- Public Works
- Transportation
- Watershed Management

The mayor appoints the heads of executive offices such as:

- Constituent Services
- Cultural Affairs
- Film & Entertainment
- Immigrant Affairs
- Innovation Delivery & Performance
- International Affairs
- Resilience
- Special Events
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

SALARY

Starting in 2022, the mayor will have an annual salary of \$202,730.



ATL INSIGHTS

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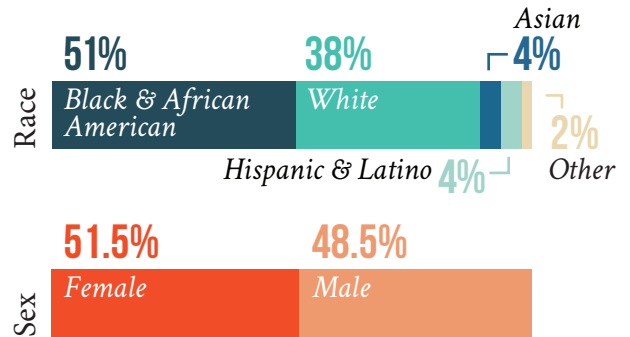
MUNICIPAL ELECTION DATES

Voting for Mayor, City Council President, City Council, Board of Education (School Board) and Municipal Judges:

- Tuesday, October 4, 2021:** voter registration deadline
- October 12–29:** early voting – including both Saturdays
- Tuesday, November 2, 2021:** general election
- Tuesday, November 30, 2021:** run-off election

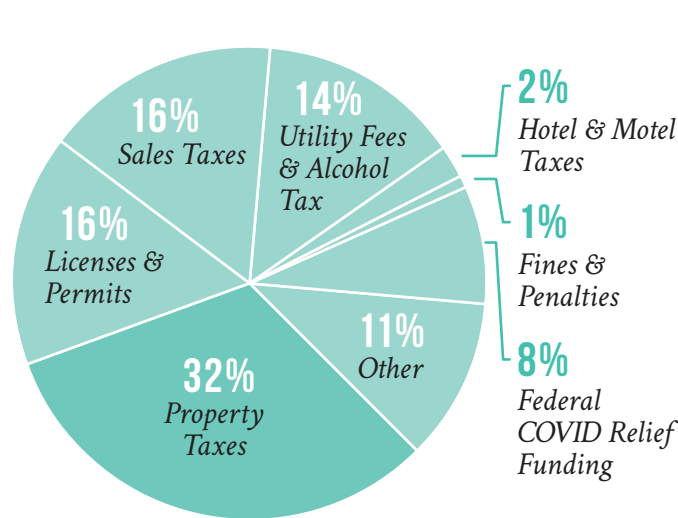
A run-off election will occur for any race where no candidate receives more than 50% of the vote.

ATL DEMOGRAPHICS

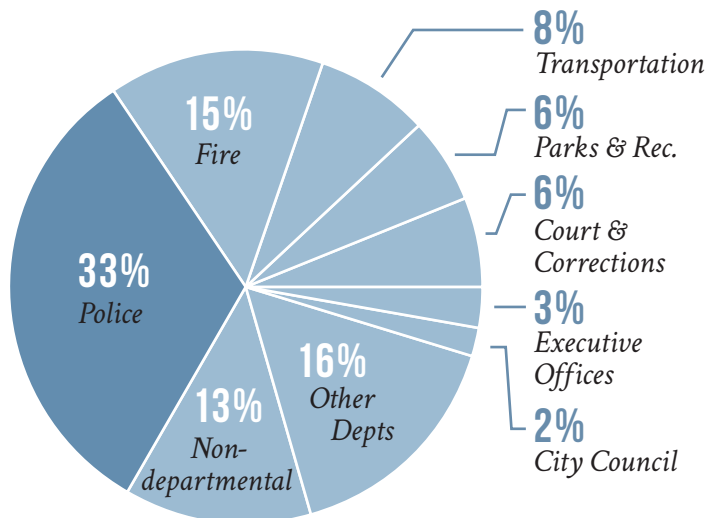


CITY BUDGETING

A breakdown of the FY2022 General Fund budget. It does not include special funds such as bonds and enterprise accounts such as the airport and water/sewer.

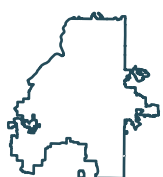


SOURCES OF REVENUE: \$710M



HOW MONEY IS SPENT: \$710M

OTHER FACTS



The City of Atlanta covers approximately 133 square miles approximately 500,000 residents.

\$2.04 BILLION total FY2022 budget, including enterprise and other funds

~30% OF PROPERTY TAX revenue collected in the city goes to the city government; **~70%** goes to the county and Atlanta Public Schools (APS)

~16% OF SALES TAX revenue collected in the city stays with the city; **~84%** goes to the state and APS

