







DRAFT 2026 STRATEGIC BUDGET DRIVERS + BUDGET TIMELINE

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OUTCOMES FOR TODAY'S DISCUSSION

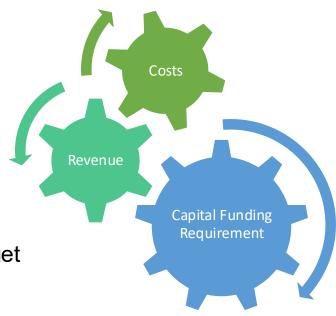
- Develop a common understanding of the staff's draft 2026 Strategic Budget Drivers
- Identify areas of refinement and/or alternatives in conjunction with board feedback and guidance

FUTURE MEETINGS WILL COVER:

 7/25/25 Regular BOD Mtg: Board discussion of 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan and 20-Year Capital Plan. Special invite to appropriate committees. Seeking board feedback for project priorities and timeline

MANAGEMENT 2026 BUDGET PROCESS IMPROVEMENT FOCUS AREAS

- Strengthen budget transparency and member understanding
 - Committee involvement and collaboration
 - Finance, Trails and Open Space, and Long-Range Planning
 - Member education and outreach
- Increase and focus on member benefits
 - Address member feedback on declining member value
 - Create and retain member value
- Planning improvement
 - Initiate strategic budget drivers discussion and guidance in advance of budget development
 - Begin 2026 and long-range capital improvement discussion earlier
- Fresh look at budget with new leadership and strategic organizational shifts
 - Evaluate the Amenity Access Rule change financial impacts
 - Evaluate and refine human resource allocation
 - Strengthen EQ, Golf, F&B financial performance
 - New opportunities for revenue enhancement and cost efficiencies



ANNUAL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- 2025 Annual Strategic Objectives
 - Amenity Access Improvement
 - Amenity Access Rule Change Implementation Plan and Communication Campaign
 - Member Value + Strengthening Community
 - Member Relations + Engagement
 - Land Management Planning + Stewardship
 - Land Management Plan Update
 - Fire Safety + Forest Health Rules Update
 - Organizational Development
 - Organizational + People Development
 - Good Governance
 - Capital and Financial Policies Update
- 2026 Annual Strategic Objectives
 - Forthcoming draft during the budget planning process



2026 DRAFT BASELINE ASSUMPTIONS OPERATING FUND

TOPIC	5/13 INITIAL ASSUMPTION	WHY
Economic Inflation Factors	The initial baseline assumption was a minimum 3% increase	Economic inflation is volatile due to uncertainty; insurance renewal indicators have not settled with national and LA fire impacts Utilizing CPI, utility rate increase notices, forecasts from vendors
Financial Performance Improvement	Priority focus continues for food and beverage, equestrian, golf Cautious revenue assumptions; revenue growth opportunities and cost efficiencies will result in modest improvement; continue the good work of 2025 efforts	Driving for improved financial and operational performance while maintaining member services Cautious revenue budgeting due to weather impacts impacting 3 and 5 yr avg; utilizing improved technology and metrics for estimating costs, labor, and revenue
Operational Improvements	Anticipate member private amenity usage will grow Services and programming refinement leading to sustainable pricing and operating results	Amenity Access Rule Implementation Plan continues Equestrian program vision established in the budget New era for food and beverage: improved menu, pricing, quality
Downhill Ski Lodge Completed	Estimated Net Operating Result positive impact \$2M+	Expected Downhill Ski Lodge opening for 25/26 season and all services available Downhill Ski and Day Camps return to regular operations



2025 DRAFT STRATEGIC BUDGET DRIVERS - DRAFT

DRIVER	DETAIL	PRIORITY	ESTIMATED FINANCIAL IMPACT#	WHY
Member Value & Benefits	All (4) Member ID Cards in Annual Assessment	Highest – 1A	(\$1.7M) less in Recreation Fee and Member Daily Access Revenue	Increasing Member ID Cardholder benefits
	Menu of Member Benefit Vouchers with Annual Assessment	1B	Analysis in progress leading into 2026 budget development	Control private amenity overcrowding
	Member Discount at Public Amenities, including F&B + Retail	1C	Retail discount – in place for 2025; F&B member discount analysis in progress, leading into 2026 budget development	Create member value by offering members the best prices and great member programs and experiences at the amenities
Revenue	Downhill Ski Operations + Day Camps Modest revenue growth	Highest – 1A 1B	\$2M increase in Revenue 4.75% \$1.2M increase in Revenue	Downhill Ski Lodge comes into service Dec '25 Modest fee increases to offset cost pressures due to inflation, growing demand for quality programs
Service Levels	New era for food and beverage offering menu, pricing, quality, and fun Other department operational or programming changes	1B 2B	See above Revenue	Focused on the number of food outlets/venues, labor efficiencies, and revenue opportunities Operation plan changes and refinement

Priority Column Note: Scaling and ranking based on Importance (Number), 1 being the highest and three the lowest to do, and Impact/Benefit (Letter), A being higher urgency and C lower urgency

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DRIVER	DETAIL	PRIORITY	ESTIMATED FINANCIAL IMPACT#	WHY	
Employer Reputation and Competitiveness	Employee health benefits: Employer and Employee % contributions stay the same	1B	Minimum 7% min Net rate increase TDA ER Contribution increase \$120,850	Maintain a competitive position in the Truckee/Reno labor market	
	Merit is budgeted effectively Performance recognition programs are	2A 3A	Minimum Net impact \$150,000 Minimum Net impact \$60,000	Pay for performance through an adequate merit budget	
	budgeted effectively		Williman Net impact \$60,000	Program budgeted % strengthened to recognize excellent employee performance	
Capital Planning and Funding	Replacement Reserve Fund minimum 10% increase*	2A combined ranking	RRF Assessment allocation \$1,034; 10%/\$94 increase at a minimum*	Ensuring sustainable and smooth funding year-to-year for the capital reserves	
	Development Fund minimum 4% increase* New Equipment Fund minimum \$50/pp*		DF Assessment allocation \$938; 4/%\$36 increase at a minimum* \$50 per property (pp); \$30 increase*	Capital and Financial Policies Update implementation plan	
Information Technology	Cashless Operations Association-wide	3A	Potential impact to Credit Card Fees (\$50,000) if not passed along, resulting in a decrease in labor expense	Improving services and controls Association-wide	

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All \$ and % are **estimates** and not final until the 2026 Budget Draft is presented during the budget process.



^{*} These numbers are based on the existing capital and financial policies. The Board will be completing updates to those policies in June.

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BOARD FEEDBACK

The staff is seeking Board feedback on the draft 2026 Strategic Budget Drivers and prioritization ranking.

How do the identified drivers align with the Board's thinking?

Are there any drivers the Board would like to add, remove, or alter?

How do the driver priority rankings align with the Board's thinking?

Does the board have any requests for further refinement to the 2026 Strategic Budget Drivers before they are placed on the June 27 Regular Board meeting Consent Calendar?



2026 DRAFT BUDGET TIMELINE - DRAFT

STAKEHOLDER GROUPS	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
Staff	Leadership team – Strategic Budget Drivers	Budget kickoff meetings	Budget development activities	Budget development activities	Budget refinement	Budget refinement until adoption + Budget Report	Budget Report AA invoices postmarked 11/15
Finance		Working group	Working group + 7/25 Reg BOD Mtg	Working group + FC+ Session #1 invite	Working group + FC+ Session #2 invite	Session #3 invite	Post budget wrap- up wDOFA
LRPC			7/10 10-YR & 20- YR Capital Plans Discussion	Session #1 invite	Session #2 invite	Session #3 invite	Post budget wrap- up wDOCPF
TOS			TOS Budget discussions	Budget discussion if needed Session #1 invite	Session #2 invite	Session #3 invite	Post budget wrap- up wDOLM
Board	5/23 Reg BOD Mtg Strategic Drivers	Complete Capital and Financial Policies Update Initiative	7/25 Reg BOD Mtg 10-YR & 20-YR Capital Plans Discussion	Late Aug (either 8/22 or 8/28 Session #1 Draft Op Fund Budget	9/26 Reg BOD mtg Session #2 Draft Cap Funds + Op Fund (Consolidated)	Early Oct Special BOD mtg Session #3 Consolidated + Budget Approval If needed, Session #4 no later than October 14	Review updated capital and financial policies (Nov or Dec)

THANK YOU