

**MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO**  
**BUDGET MESSAGE**  
**2025 BUDGET**

The attached Budget for the Mancos Fire Protection District, Colorado includes these important features.

General Fund for general operations.

The District was established to assure continued and enhanced fire suppression services to the Town of Mancos and certain unincorporated portions of Montezuma County.

The Budget is an essential element of the financial planning and control of the District.

The Budget is prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is consistent with the basis of accounting used and GAAP.

The services to be provided during the budget year are fire suppression.

The District believes it is in compliance with all requirements of Article X, Section 20, of the Colorado Constitution.

MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT BUDGETS

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A RESOLUTION SUMMARIZING EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES FOR EACH FUND AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 2025, AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Mancos Fire Protection District has appointed the Fire Chief to prepare and submit a proposed budget to said governing body at the proper time; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has submitted a proposed budget to this governing body on December 9, 2024, for its consideration, and;

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, posted in accordance with the law, said proposed budget was open for inspection by the public at a designated place, a public hearing was held on December 9, 2024, and interested taxpayers were given the opportunity to file or register any objections to said proposed budget, and;

WHEREAS, whatever increases may have been made in the expenditures, like increases were added to the revenue so that the budget remains in balance, as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Directors of the Mancos Fire Protection District, Colorado:

Section 1. That the budget as submitted, amended, and hereinabove summarized by fund, hereby is approved and adopted as the budget of the Mancos Fire Protection District for the year stated above.

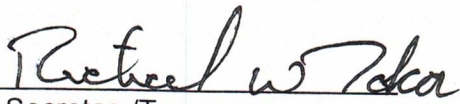
Section 2. That the budget hereby approved and adopted shall be signed by the president and the secretary/treasurer and made a part of the public records of the District.

ADOPTED, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D., 2024.

Attest:

  
President

Attest:

  
Secretary/Treasurer

**MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
GENERAL FUND BUDGET**

January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

|                                    | <u>Actual<br/>2023</u> | <u>Estimated<br/>2024</u> | <u>Budget<br/>2025</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Estimated resources:               |                        |                           |                        |
| Fund Balance - January 1           | \$1,403,275            | \$1,872,285               | \$2,294,366            |
| Revenues                           |                        |                           |                        |
| Current property tax               | 529,003                | 565,000                   | 581,126                |
| Specific Ownership tax             | 68,693                 | 55,000                    | 50,000                 |
| Delinquent tax and interest        | 2,006                  |                           |                        |
| Interest                           | 64,573                 | 62,000                    | 65,000                 |
| Grants                             | 17,819                 |                           |                        |
| Miscellaneous                      | 19,457                 | 87,131                    | 10,000                 |
| Total estimated resources          | <u>2,104,826</u>       | <u>2,641,416</u>          | <u>3,000,492</u>       |
| Estimated expenditures:            |                        |                           |                        |
| Administration                     | 12,472                 | 13,000                    | 12,000                 |
| Treasurer's fees                   | 10,602                 | 12,000                    |                        |
| Building operation and maintenance | 28,868                 | 35,000                    | 53,500                 |
| Communications                     | 12,392                 | 14,000                    | 13,000                 |
| Dues and fees                      | 800                    | 3,500                     | 15,000                 |
| Other equipment                    | 2,212                  | 7,000                     | 4,750                  |
| Insurance                          | 23,593                 | 27,000                    | 32,037                 |
| Fire prevention                    | 350                    | 500                       | 4,450                  |
| Clothing allowance                 | 19,260                 | 30,000                    | 30,000                 |
| Awards                             | 863                    | 2,500                     | 5,000                  |
| Personal equipment                 | 6,405                  | 7,800                     | 50,000                 |
| Personnel                          | 936                    | 1,500                     | 2,000                  |
| Professional fees                  | 646                    | 2,700                     | 2,500                  |
| Rehab supplies                     |                        | 750                       | 1,000                  |
| Training                           | 3,870                  | 4,800                     | 15,000                 |
| Vehicle expenses                   | 16,437                 | 15,000                    | 28,300                 |
| Miscellaneous                      |                        | 1,000                     |                        |
| Capital outlay                     | 79,045                 | 155,000                   | 804,440                |
| FPPA Pension transfer              | 13,790                 | 14,000                    | 14,000                 |
| Total estimated expenditures       | <u>232,541</u>         | <u>347,050</u>            | <u>1,086,977</u>       |
| Fund Balance - December 31         | <u>\$1,872,285</u>     | <u>\$2,294,366</u>        | <u>\$1,913,515</u>     |



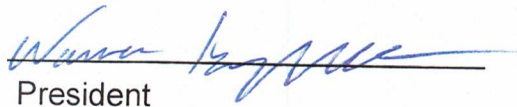
MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
LETTER OF BUDGET TRANSMITTAL  
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To: Division of Local Government  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 521  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Date: December 9, 2024

Attached is the 2025 budget for the Mancos Fire Protection District in Montezuma County, submitted pursuant to Section 29-1-113, CRS. This budget was adopted on December 9, 2024. If there are any questions on the budget, please contact Chris L. Majors, CPA MT of Majors and Haley, P.C., at (970) 565-9521 and P.O. Box 1478, Cortez, Colorado 81321. The mill levy certified to the County Commissioners is 11.000 mills for all general operating purposes and .027 mills for prior year abatements. Based on an assessed valuation of \$52,699,710 the property tax revenue subject to statutory limitation is \$581,126.

I hereby certify that the enclosed are true and accurate copies of the budget and certification of tax levies to the Board of County Commissioners.

  
President

MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES  
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A RESOLUTION LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2024, TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO FOR THE 2025 BUDGET YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Mancos Fire Protection District, has adopted a budget in accordance with the Local Governmental Budget Law, on December 9, 2024 and;

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for general operating purposes is \$581,126, and;

WHEREAS, the 2024, valuation for assessment for the Mancos Fire Protection District as certified by the County Assessor is \$52,699,710.

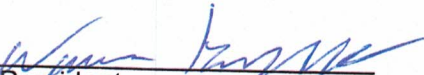
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Directors of the Mancos Fire Protection District, Colorado;

Section 1. That for the purpose of meeting all general operating expenses of the Mancos Fire Protection District during the 2025 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 11.027 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2024.

Section 2. That the Budget Officer is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify to the County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, the mill levies for the Mancos Fire Protection District as hereinabove determined and set.

ADOPTED, this 9th day of December, A.D., 2024.

Attest:

  
President

Attest:

  
Secretary/Treasurer



**CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES for NON-SCHOOL Governments**TO: County Commissioners<sup>1</sup> of Montezuma County, Colorado.On behalf of the Mancos Fire Protection District,(taxing entity)<sup>A</sup>the Board of Directors(governing body)<sup>B</sup>of the Mancos Fire Protection District(local government)<sup>C</sup>

Hereby officially certifies the following mills to be levied against the taxing entity's GROSS \$ 52,699,710 assessed valuation of: (GROSS<sup>D</sup> assessed valuation, Line 2 of the Certification of Valuation Form DLG 57<sup>E</sup>)

Note: If the assessor certified a NET assessed valuation (AV) different than the GROSS AV due to a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Area<sup>F</sup> the tax levies must be calculated using the NET AV. The taxing entity's total property tax revenue will be derived from the mill levy multiplied against the NET assessed valuation of: (NET<sup>G</sup> assessed valuation, Line 4 of the Certification of Valuation Form DLG 57)

**USE VALUE FROM FINAL CERTIFICATION OF VALUATION PROVIDED BY ASSESSOR NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 10**

Submitted: 12/10/2024 for budget/fiscal year 2025  
(no later than Dec. 15) (mm/dd/yyyy) (yyyy)

| PURPOSE (see end notes for definitions and examples)   | LEVY <sup>2</sup>           | REVENUE <sup>2</sup>     |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. General Operating Expenses <sup>H</sup>   | <u>11.000</u> mills         | \$ <u>579,697</u>        |
| 2. <Minus> Temporary General Property Tax Credit/<br>Temporary Mill Levy Rate Reduction <sup>I</sup> | < <u>          </u> > mills | \$ < <u>          </u> > |
| <b>SUBTOTAL FOR GENERAL OPERATING:</b>   | <u>11.000</u> mills         | \$ <u>579,697</u>        |
| 3. General Obligation Bonds and Interest <sup>J</sup>  | <u>          </u> mills     | \$ <u>          </u>     |
| 4. Contractual Obligations <sup>K</sup>  | <u>          </u> mills     | \$ <u>          </u>     |
| 5. Capital Expenditures <sup>L</sup>   | <u>          </u> mills     | \$ <u>          </u>     |
| 6. Refunds/Abatements <sup>M</sup>   | <u>.027</u> mills           | \$ <u>1,429</u>          |
| 7. Other <sup>N</sup> (specify): <u>          </u>   | <u>          </u> mills     | \$ <u>          </u>     |
|  | <u>          </u> mills     | \$ <u>          </u>     |
| <b>TOTAL:</b> [Sum of General Operating Subtotal and Lines 3 to 7]                                   | <u>11.027</u> mills         | \$ <u>581,126</u>        |

Contact person: (print) M. Graf Daytime phone: ( 970 ) 533-7400

Signed: [Signature] Title: Bookkeeper

Include one copy of this tax entity's completed form when filing the local government's budget by January 31st, per 29-1-113 C.R.S., with the Division of Local Government (DLG), Room 521, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, CO 80203. Questions? Call DLG at (303) 864-7720.

<sup>1</sup> If the taxing entity's boundaries include more than one county, you must certify the levies to each county. Use a separate form for each county and certify the same levies uniformly to each county per Article X, Section 3 of the Colorado Constitution.

<sup>2</sup> Levies must be rounded to three decimal places and revenue must be calculated from the total NET assessed valuation (Line 4 of Form DLG57 on the County Assessor's **FINAL** certification of valuation).

**THIS SECTION APPLIES TO TITLE 32, ARTICLE 1 SPECIAL DISTRICTS THAT LEVY TAXES FOR PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT (32-1-1603 C.R.S.).** Taxing entities that are Special Districts or Subdistricts of Special Districts must certify separate mill levies and revenues to the Board of County Commissioners, one each for the funding requirements of each debt (32-1-1603, C.R.S.) Use additional pages as necessary. The Special District's or Subdistrict's total levies for general obligation bonds and total levies for contractual obligations should be recorded on Page 1, Lines 3 and 4 respectively.

**CERTIFY A SEPARATE MILL LEVY FOR EACH BOND OR CONTRACT:**

**BONDS<sup>J</sup>:**

1.     Purpose of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Series: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Coupon Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Maturity Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Levy: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_
  
2.     Purpose of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Series: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Coupon Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Maturity Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Levy: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACTS<sup>K</sup>:**

3.     Purpose of Contract: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Principal Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Maturity Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Levy: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_
  
4.     Purpose of Contract: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Principal Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Maturity Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Levy: \_\_\_\_\_  
        Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

Use multiple copies of this page as necessary to separately report all bond and contractual obligations per 32-1-1603, C.R.S.



<sup>A</sup> **Taxing Entity**—A jurisdiction authorized by law to impose ad valorem property taxes on taxable property located within its territorial limits (please see notes B, C, and H below). For purposes of the DLG 70 only, a *taxing entity* is also a geographic area formerly located within a *taxing entity's* boundaries for which the county assessor certifies a valuation for assessment and which is responsible for payment of its share until retirement of financial obligations incurred by the *taxing entity* when the area was part of the *taxing entity*. For example: an area of excluded property formerly within a special district with outstanding general obligation debt at the time of the exclusion or the area located within the former boundaries of a dissolved district whose outstanding general obligation debt service is administered by another local government<sup>C</sup>.

<sup>B</sup> **Governing Body**—The board of county commissioners, the city council, the board of trustees, the board of directors, or the board of any other entity that is responsible for the certification of the *taxing entity's* mill levy. For example: the board of county commissioners is the governing board ex officio of a county public improvement district (PID); the board of a water and sanitation district constitutes ex officio the board of directors of the water subdistrict.

<sup>C</sup> **Local Government** - For purposes of this line on Page 1 of the DLG 70, the *local government* is the political subdivision under whose authority and within whose boundaries the *taxing entity* was created. The *local government* is authorized to levy property taxes on behalf of the *taxing entity*. For example, for the purposes of this form:

1. a municipality is both the *local government* and the *taxing entity* when levying its own levy for its entire jurisdiction;
2. a city is the *local government* when levying a tax on behalf of a business improvement district (BID) *taxing entity* which it created and whose city council is the BID board;
3. a fire district is the *local government* if it created a subdistrict, the *taxing entity*, on whose behalf the fire district levies property taxes.
4. a town is the *local government* when it provides the service for a dissolved water district and the town board serves as the board of a dissolved water district, the *taxing entity*, for the purpose of certifying a levy for the annual debt service on outstanding obligations.

<sup>D</sup> **GROSS Assessed Value** - There will be a difference between gross assessed valuation and net assessed valuation reported by the county assessor only if there is a "tax increment financing" entity (see below), such as a downtown development authority or an urban renewal authority, within the boundaries of the *taxing entity*. The board of county commissioners certifies each *taxing entity's* total mills upon the *taxing entity's* Gross Assessed Value found on Line 2 of Form DLG 57.

<sup>E</sup> **Certification of Valuation by County Assessor, Form DLG 57** - The county assessor(s) uses this form (or one similar) to provide valuation for assessment information to a *taxing entity*. The county assessor must provide this certification no later than August 25<sup>th</sup> each year and may amend it, one time, prior to December 10<sup>th</sup>. Each entity must use the **FINAL** valuation provided by assessor when certifying a tax levy.

<sup>F</sup> **TIF Area**—A downtown development authority (DDA) or urban renewal authority (URA), may form plan areas that use "tax increment financing" to derive revenue from increases in assessed valuation (gross minus net, Form DLG 57 Line 3) attributed to the activities/improvements within the plan area. The DDA or URA receives the differential revenue of each overlapping *taxing entity's* mill levy applied against the *taxing entity's* gross assessed value after subtracting the *taxing entity's* revenues derived from its mill levy applied against the net assessed value.

<sup>G</sup> **NET Assessed Value**—The total taxable assessed valuation from which the *taxing entity* will derive revenues for its uses. It is found on Line 4 of Form DLG 57. **Please Note:** A downtown development authority (DDA) may be both a *taxing entity* and have also created its own *TIF area* and/or have a URA *TIF Area* within the DDA's boundaries. As a result DDAs may both receive operating revenue from their levy applied to their certified *NET assessed value* and also receive TIF revenue generated by any *tax entity* levies overlapping the DDA's *TIF Area*, including the DDA's own operating levy.



<sup>H</sup> **General Operating Expenses (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 1)**—The levy and accompanying revenue reported on Line 1 is for general operations and includes, in aggregate, all levies for and revenues raised by a *taxing entity* for purposes not lawfully exempted and detailed in Lines 3 through 7 on Page 1 of the DLG 70. For example: a fire pension levy is included in general operating expenses, unless the pension is voter-approved, if voter-approved, use Line 7 (Other).

<sup>I</sup> **Temporary Tax Credit for Operations (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 2)**—The Temporary General Property Tax Credit/ Temporary Mill Levy Rate Reduction of 39-1-111.5, C.R.S. may be applied to the *taxing entity*'s levy for general operations to effect refunds. Temporary Tax Credits (TTCs) are not applicable to other types of levies (non-general operations) certified on this form because these levies are adjusted from year to year as specified by the provisions of any contract or schedule of payments established for the payment of any obligation incurred by the *taxing entity* per 29-1-301(1.7), C.R.S., or they are certified as authorized at election per 29-1-302(2)(b), C.R.S.

<sup>J</sup> **General Obligation Bonds and Interest (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 3)**—Enter on this line the total levy required to pay the annual debt service of all general obligation bonds. Per 29-1-301(1.7) C.R.S., the amount of revenue levied for this purpose cannot be greater than the amount of revenue required for such purpose as specified by the provisions of any contract or schedule of payments. Title 32, Article 1 Special districts and subdistricts must complete Page 2 of the DLG 70.

<sup>K</sup> **Contractual Obligation (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 4)**—If repayment of a contractual obligation with property tax has been approved at election and it is not a general obligation bond (shown on Line 3), the mill levy is entered on this line. Per 29-1-301(1.7) C.R.S., the amount of revenue levied for this purpose cannot be greater than the amount of revenue required for such purpose as specified by the provisions of any contract or schedule of payments.

<sup>L</sup> **Capital Expenditures (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 5)**—These revenues are not subject to the statutory property tax revenue limit if they are approved by counties and municipalities through public hearings pursuant to 29-1-301(1.2) C.R.S. and for special districts through approval from the Division of Local Government pursuant to 29-1-302(1.5) C.R.S. or for any *taxing entity* if approved at election. Only levies approved by these methods should be entered on Line 5.

<sup>M</sup> **Refunds/Abatements (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 6)**—The county assessor reports on the *Certification of Valuation* (DLG 57 Line 11) the amount of revenue from property tax that the local government did not receive in the prior year because taxpayers were given refunds for taxes they had paid or they were given abatements for taxes originally charged to them due to errors made in their property valuation. The local government was due the tax revenue and would have collected it through an adjusted mill levy if the valuation errors had not occurred. Since the government was due the revenue, it may levy, in the subsequent year, a mill to collect the refund/abatement revenue. An abatement/refund mill levy may generate revenues up to, but not exceeding, the refund/abatement amount from Form DLG 57 Line 11.

1. Please Note: Pursuant to Article X, Section 3 of the Colorado Constitution, if the *taxing entity* is in more than one county, as with all levies, the abatement levy must be uniform throughout the entity's boundaries and certified the same to each county. To calculate the abatement/refund levy for a *taxing entity* that is located in more than one county, first total the abatement/refund amounts reported by each county assessor, then divide by the *taxing entity*'s total net assessed value, then multiply by 1,000 and round down to the nearest three decimals to prevent levying for more revenue than was abated/refunded. This results in an abatement/refund mill levy that will be uniformly certified to all of the counties in which the *taxing entity* is located even though the abatement/refund did not occur in all the counties.

<sup>N</sup> **Other (DLG 70 Page 1 Line 7)**—Report other levies and revenue not subject to 29-1-301 C.R.S. that were not reported above. For example: a levy for the purposes of television relay or translator facilities as specified in sections 29-7-101, 29-7-102, and 29-7-105 and 32-1-1005 (1) (a), C.R.S.; a voter-approved fire pension levy; a levy for special purposes such as developmental disabilities, open space, etc.



MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY

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A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND SPENDING AGENCIES, IN THE AMOUNT AND FOR THE PURPOSE AS SET FORTH BELOW, FOR THE MANCOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO FOR THE 2025 BUDGET YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Mancos Fire Protection District has adopted the budget in accordance with the local Government Budget Law, on December 9, 2024, and;


WHEREAS, the Mancos Fire Protection District has made provisions therein for revenues in an amount equal to or greater than the total proposed described below, so as not to impair the operations of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Directors of the Mancos Fire Protection District, Colorado:

Section 1. That the following sums are hereby appropriated for the revenue of each fund, for the purposes stated:

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| General Fund               |                     |
| Current Operating Expenses | \$ 268,537          |
| Capital Outlay             | 804,440             |
| Transfers                  | 14,000              |
| Total General Fund         | <u>\$ 1,086,977</u> |

ADOPTED, this 9th day of December, A.D., 2024.

Attest:   
President

Attest:   
Secretary/Treasurer