# State of the Canyon

Presented:

March 30, 2025



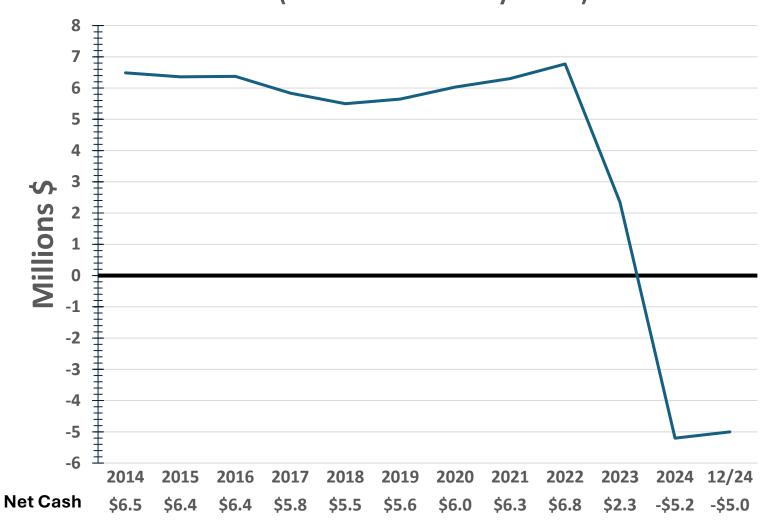
# **Agenda ---** Preserve and Protect

- Current Cash Position and Use Over Time
- Legal
- Community Center
- Roads Planning
- Operations: Challenges, Gaps, and Initiatives
- The Path Ahead
  - Professional Management
  - Prioritization Planning





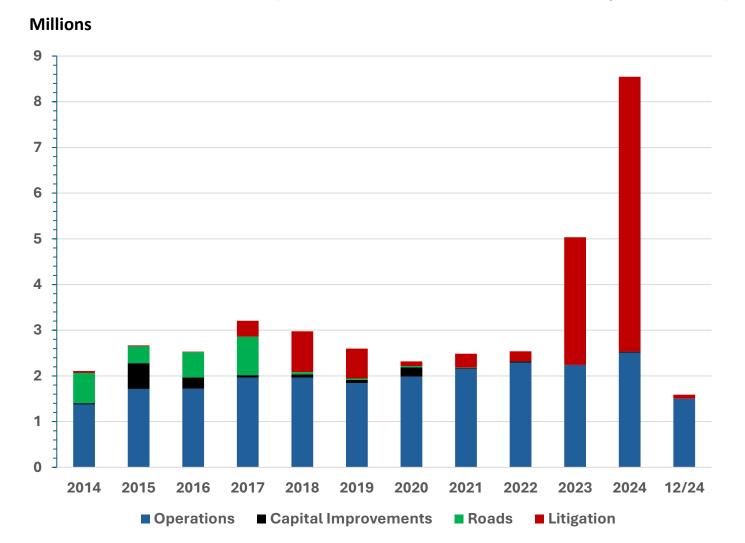
# Net Cash Position June 2014-December 2024 (Fiscal Year Runs July - June)



- From '14 '22 Cash was ~\$6 MM
- Spending through '24, litigation consumed over \$11 million in cash, forcing us to borrow \$6.8 million
- Reserve Fund borrowing of \$4.6
   MM legally requires repayment
- At December '24, net cash was negative \$5 million:
  - \$1.5 MM in cash and
  - \$6.5 MM in debt



# Major P&L Expenditures June 2014–December 2024 (Fiscal Year Runs from July to June)





- Operating spending consistent
- Capital Improvements ended in '16
- Road repair effectively ended in '17
- Litigation expense dominated since '17
- Litigation expense reduced 7/24–12/24



# **Progress Achieved**

Litigation Since November '23	Start/End Dates	Nature of Action	Status
1. Reingold v BCA	2023/2024	Builder dispute	Settled
2. BCA v Greenwich Insurance	2022/2025	Coverage dispute	Settled 🗸
3. Hovsepian v BCA	2020/2025	Easement dispute	Settled
4. Travis v Bell Canyon	2022/2024	Personal Injury	Settled 🗸
5-10. Six Employment Cases	'20   '22   '23	Employment	Settled 🗸
11. Recall Candidates v BCA	2023/2024	Expense recovery	Settled 🗸
12. CSD	2024/2024	Lease dispute	Settled 🕢
<b>New Contingency Cases</b>			
BCA v Pariser and Hudock	2024	Malpractice	Pending 11
BCA v Wolf	2025	Constructive Fraud Fiduciary Duty Breach	Pending 🏗

- Inherited 12 lawsuits and settled all 12
- Recouped \$495K
   from a case
   considered
   hopeless
- Filed two contingency cases to recoup money
- 67 Ranchero complications



# Community Center - Roof Finished!

#### **Bid Process:**

- 45-page scope-of-work
- Public online bid system
- Five acceptable bids
- Low bid awarded job

#### **Construction Process:**

- Anticipated/unanticipated change orders required
- 3 bids for Carpentry and Courtyard
- One contractor terminated

#### **Phase II considertions:**

- Truss repair/replacement
- **External modifications**
- Internal schematic designs

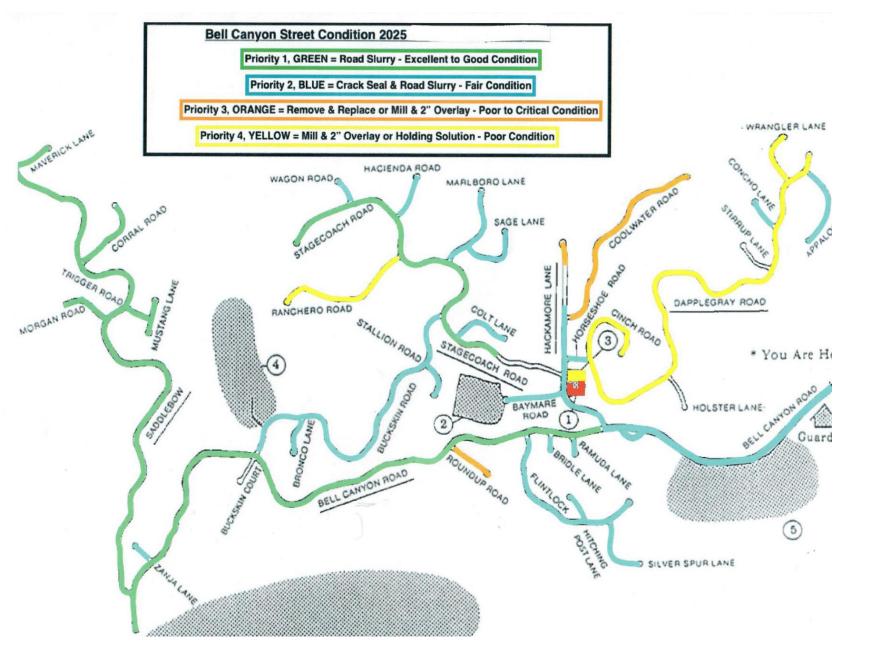
#### **Before**



#### **After**







### Roads

- Reserve Study revealed that roads had deferred maintenance of \$2 million
- Process of re-evaluating road repair prioritization
- Identify funds available for this purpose

# Operation: challenges, gaps, and initiatives

Turnover: 3 GMs, 4 staff, and 8 board members

Accounting: Fragmented responsibilities, unreconciled accounts, and missing documents

Insurance: General Liability, Fair Plan, BVWFD coverage gaps

Community Volunteers: 15 new volunteers to support 4 Committees/Boards
--- Emergency Preparedness, Welcoming, Communications Committees, Maintenance

Community: Pickleball, Movie night, Christmas/Hanukkah, Halloween, Easter egg events

What have we learned?
Our Community is a Small City.
Is there a better way to run it?



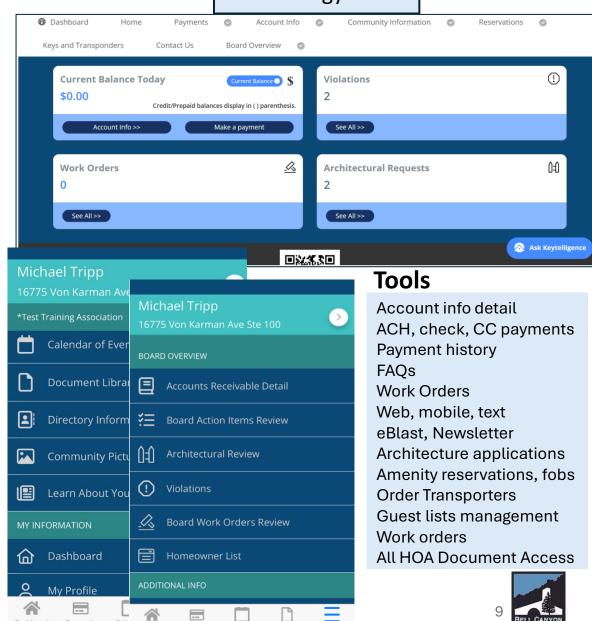
## The Path Ahead: Professional Management?

Technology Tools

A Board's role is governance, legal, strategy, planning and increase property values ---- **not operations**.

#### **Professional Management can provide:**

- Technology tools for members and board
- Continuity of institutional knowledge
- Consistency with standard operating procedures
- Recruitment and professional training
- Staff responsibility will transfer risk
- Single, unified, and electronic record keeping



# **Prioritizing Community Investment**

Approximate Cash in March of '25 ~\$3 MM

Prudent Working Capital Required \$1.5 MM

\*Available for Community Priorities \$1.5 MM



#### **Potential Uses of Funds**

- Roads (Reserve loan repayment)s
- Community Center
- Equestrian Center Needs
- Pay Down Debt

# **Guiding Principals**

- Preserve
- Protect



<sup>\*</sup>Potential Additional Funds: Pending Contingency Cases, Crime Policy Claim, and Sale of 67 Ranchero



### Thank You.

### **After Q&A Forum --- Please Visit Our Stations**









