

CHAT from East Longmeadow MPC Meeting #3

00:22:02 Catherine Ratte: Also please feel free to post questions in the chat  
00:25:14 Connor O'Shea: How does the age demographic data for our town compare to county, state, country?  
00:25:41 Catherine Ratte: Great question--we can add that data in  
00:26:42 Connor O'Shea: Thanks  
00:27:26 George Kingston: are the 2019 income data influenced by the pandemic and would 2018 data be more representative?  
00:28:51 Catherine Ratte: Another great question--for Doug to address in q and A  
00:29:33 Donna: We have a lot of houses being flipped. Is that considered new construction?  
00:31:28 George Kingston: The high increase in rents may be the result of new senior housing, specifically Bluebird Estates which includes food in the rental rate.  
00:36:10 Joseph Williams: for the unemployment rates, is that reflective of people living in EL and unemployed or jobs in EL which are now unavailable?  
00:43:56 Connor O'Shea: Does the inflow/outflow graph enforce the idea that we're a bedroom community?  
00:44:48 Connor O'Shea: Would be nice to include Longmeadow as a comparison (not because it's the most reflective of EL financial-wise, but because residents often compare us to our immediate neighbor and would be helpful to have data to explain)  
00:45:02 George Kingston: Can you go to slideshow so we can see the slides better?  
00:46:43 Connor O'Shea: Would also be nice to compare the total annual budget adjusted for inflation, as looking at the mill rate alone can be misleading if spending doesn't increase with growth  
00:47:43 Doug Hall -- PVPC: I'm going to try to answer questions in the chat so we don't take up as much time afterwards.  
00:48:27 Doug Hall -- PVPC: 1. As Catherine said, we will add other comparisons by age (county/state/country).  
00:52:25 Doug Hall -- PVPC: 2. Re income data, first off, no, the 2019 data do not reflect pandemic at all. (Those will be in the 2020 data). And (I should have mentioned this earlier), anything we've done here with Census data is using 5-year data. We need to do that to get large enough sample sizes. So the "2019" data are actually data for the years 2015-2019. (If we were to use "2018" data, four of the five years would be the same. (2015/16/17/18) but instead of 2019 data, we'd have 2014 data.  
00:52:39 George Kingston: There is a significant agricultural presence in E.L. and it is actually growing through the starting of small farming enterprises

00:54:11 George Kingston: You are missing major electrical transmission line south of Pease Road which is influencing solar development

00:55:07 George Kingston: The zoning map is available on the town website.

00:55:08 Connor O'Shea: The town's GIS also maps out the outflows and sewer manholes

00:55:39 Doug Hall -- PVPC: 3. Donna, your question about "flipped" houses is interesting to ponder. Because these data reflect the age of the buildings, the type of real estate sale shouldn't make a difference (unless the housing unit was razed and replaced with a new building). I'm not aware of any datasets that would allow us to clearly identify the prevalence of "flipped" houses. I'll do a little digging though.

00:57:59 Doug Hall -- PVPC: 4. Connor, I can add data for Longmeadow (and I apologize to everyone if I ever inadvertently referred to East Longmeadow as Longmeadow. I tried to steer clear of that faux pas!).

01:03:11 George Kingston: u are missing several protected parcels. We need to discuss this.

01:05:26 George Kingston: Where is the rail trail on this map?

01:06:15 Gary Roux, PVPC: We will make sure to include the rail trail on a map of transportation infrastructure

01:07:49 George Kingston: You are looking at Wilbrahaam

01:08:37 Bethany Yeo: pvpc.maps.arcgis.com

01:13:36 Jacob Dolinger: Oh!! My mistake I was moved over on the map!! My apologies.

01:13:51 Jacob Dolinger: It will be great to bring in any additional infrastructure data that the city may have. I will reach out for a contact to gather that data.

01:14:34 Jacob Dolinger: Missing protected land can be added manually. A list of properties will work.

01:14:38 Doug Hall -- PVPC: Connor, attached is a pdf showing General Fund expenditures for 2016-2020. I can (and will) inflation adjust these data so you can see trends.

01:15:48 Connor O'Shea: Thanks!

01:17:07 Doug Hall -- PVPC: There's a lot of budget data here:  
[https://dlsgateway.dor.state.ma.us/reports/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=Dashboard.Category\\_4](https://dlsgateway.dor.state.ma.us/reports/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=Dashboard.Category_4). Change the town top left.

01:18:23 Connor O'Shea: I get an error with that link

01:20:57 Doug Hall -- PVPC: Connor notes that link has issues. It looks like it's added the period to the URL. Here again, free of "extra" punctuation. [https://dlsgateway.dor.state.ma.us/reports/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=Dashboard.Category\\_4](https://dlsgateway.dor.state.ma.us/reports/rdPage.aspx?rdReport=Dashboard.Category_4)

01:21:17 Kenneth Comia: Hi Connor and all, I'm attaching the PDF of the budget data

link that Doug provided above.

01:21:42 Connor O'Shea: Thanks that works now

01:21:54 Kenneth Comia: Looks like we'll need to do some additional PDF for the file. Thanks for pointing out Connor!

01:24:12 Connor O'Shea: Not sure if it's included in your dataset already, but would be nice to have data on what traffic signals are the town is responsible for and traffic data on the 4 way stops in town

01:25:30 Gary Roux, PVPC: Yes we have the traffic signal locations. I can include the locations of the 4 way stops as well. We will be researching maintenance responsibility and include that data as well.

01:31:04 Joseph Williams: so is the padlet basically a place to gather the comments from the participants? and if so are we organizing it by 7 sections of the MP?

01:32:02 Mary Beth Dowd: I am open to help as well. Mary Beth Dowd

01:38:31 Catherine Ratte: I have to go to another meeting--thank you all for a great meeting.

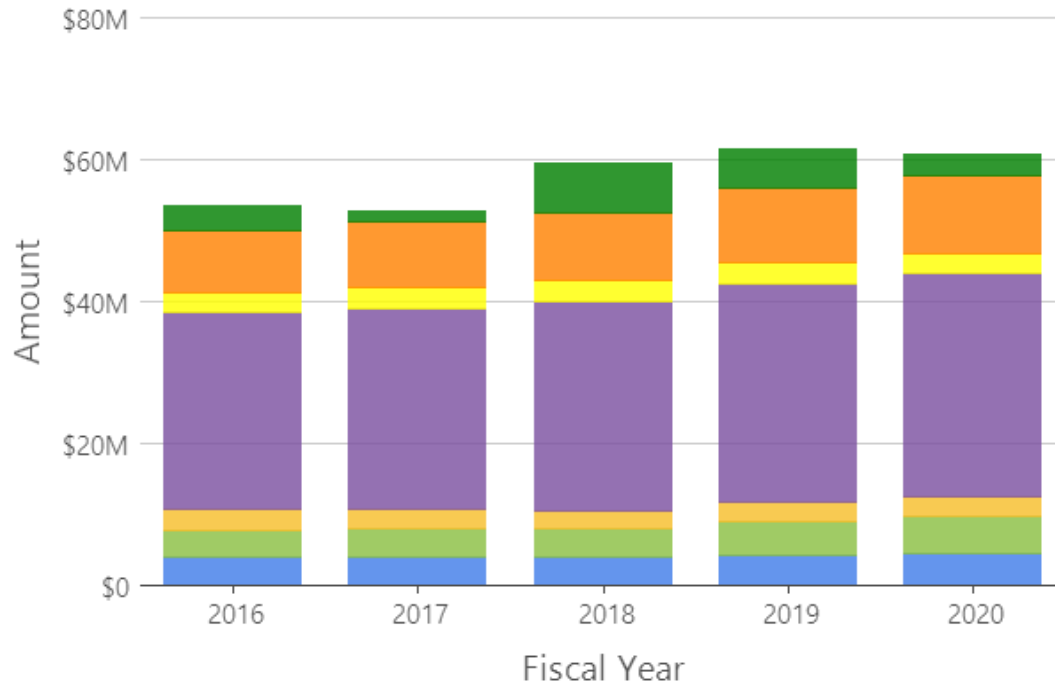
01:38:46 Bethany Yeo: Thank you, Catherine!

01:38:49 Joseph Williams: Thank you Catherine

01:38:55 Fiona Coughlan: Fiona's email: [fiona@barrettplanningllc.com](mailto:fiona@barrettplanningllc.com)



### Town of East Longmeadow



■ General Government   
 ■ Public Safety   
 ■ Debt Service   
 ■ Education  
■ Public Works   
 ■ Unclassified   
 ■ Other

Fund	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
General Government	4,086,840	4,057,093	4,086,391	4,241,685	4,615,082
Public Safety	3,630,730	3,847,114	3,817,886	4,853,416	5,054,742
Education	27,679,258	28,318,747	29,325,859	30,713,040	31,426,737
Public Works	2,777,296	3,001,663	3,014,828	3,131,585	2,900,212
Human Services	477,460	589,237	663,982	739,059	725,863
Culture and Recreation	840,284	889,824	913,403	999,564	994,709
Debt Service	3,092,828	2,791,105	2,651,825	2,628,058	2,788,538
Unclassified	8,709,063	9,175,170	9,612,660	10,325,721	10,967,380
Other	3,641,816	1,479,061	7,086,315	5,507,197	3,016,647
<b>Fiscal Year Totals</b>	<b>54,935,575</b>	<b>54,149,014</b>	<b>61,173,149</b>	<b>63,139,325</b>	<b>62,489,910</b>



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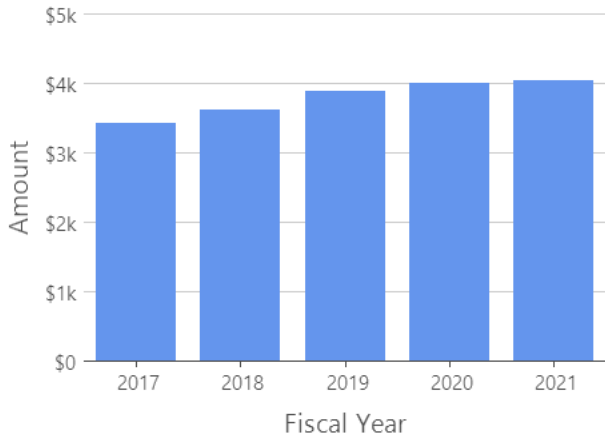
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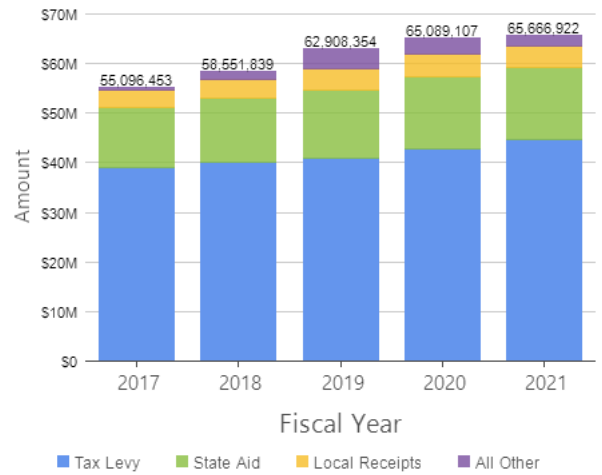


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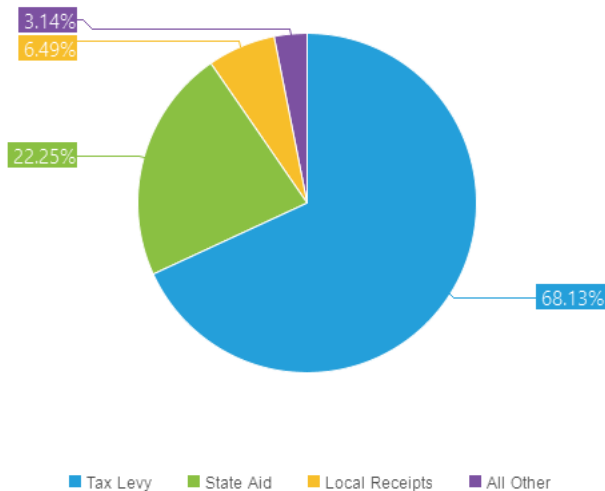


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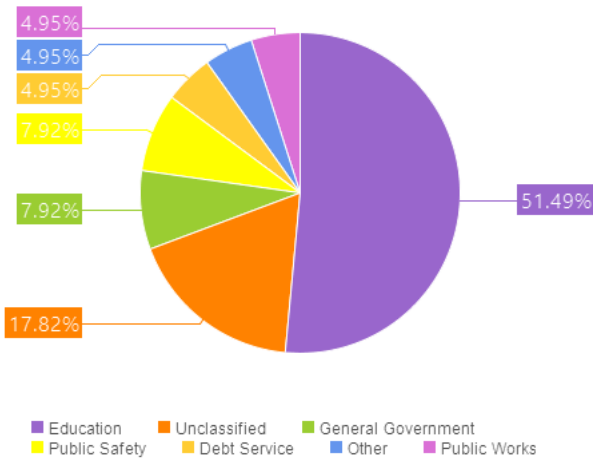
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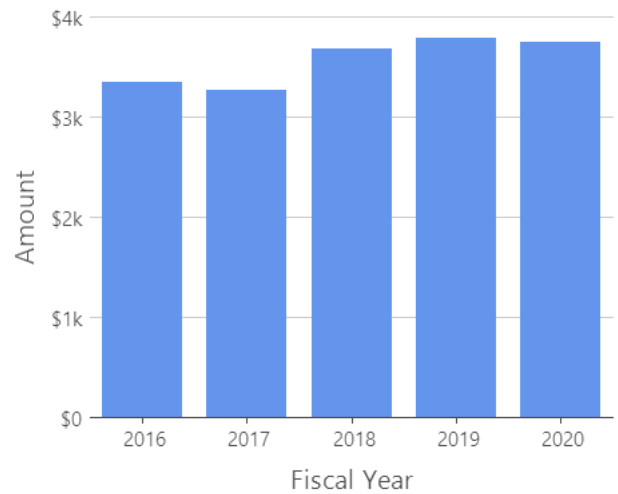
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