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# Long-Term Financial Forecast

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# Roadmap

- Introduction
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- Historical Comparison
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  - Key Assumptions
  - Results
- Measure G

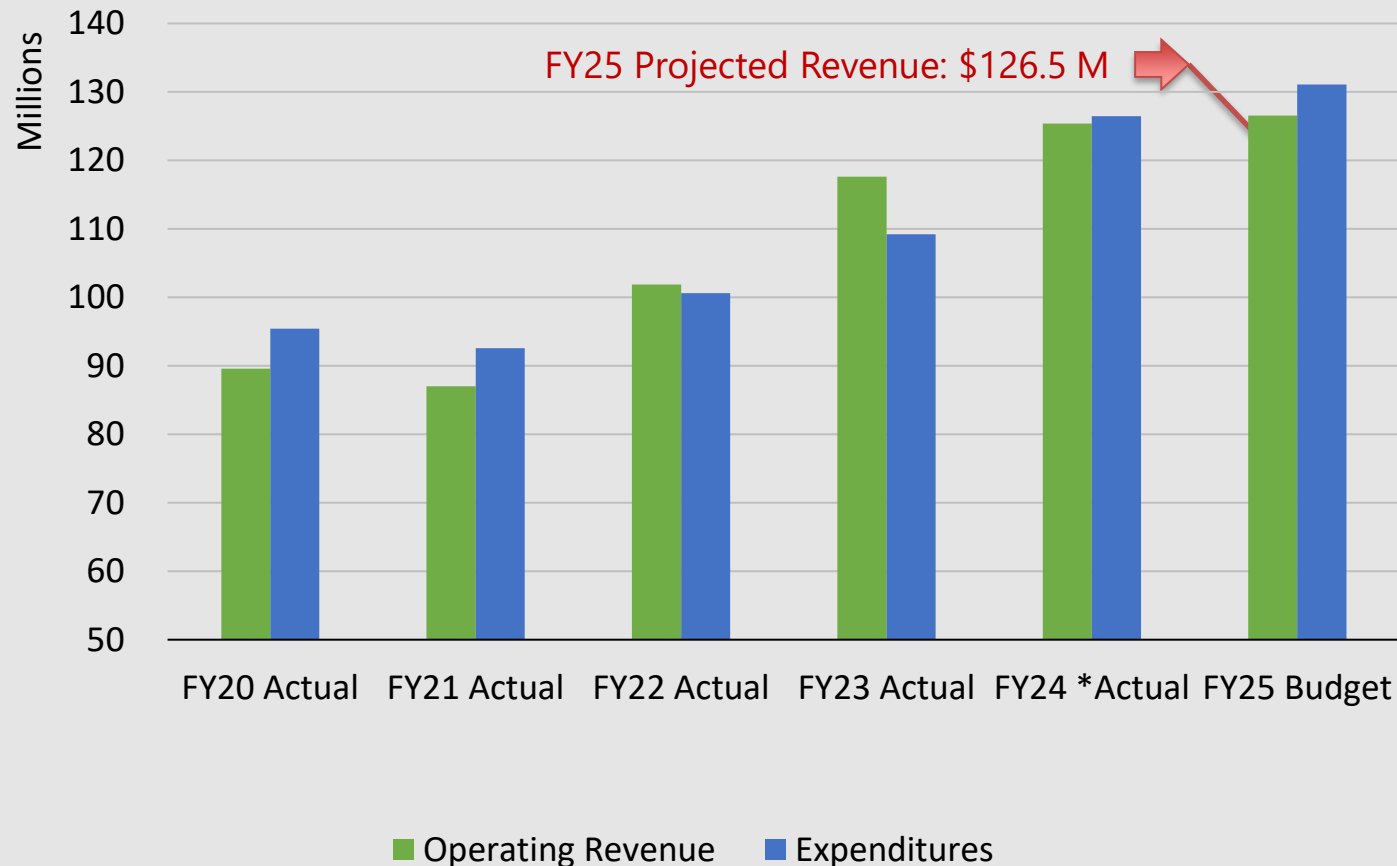


# The Big Picture

- Revenue growth rates beginning to plateau
- Expenditures have continued to increase and are projected to be higher than revenues in future years
  - Inflation (Services & Supplies)
  - Labor & Pension Costs
  - Self-Funded Insurances



# General Fund Financial Status



*Operating Revenue only shown; does not include one-time revenues used to balance the General Fund in FY20 through FY25*

# Financial Status Update

## FY 2023/24

- Property and Sales Tax continues to grow at a more moderate rate
- Transient Occupancy Tax slight decline
- Inflation still a factor & labor costs continue to rise
- One-Time dollars have been used since FY20 to balance the General Fund budget
- General Fund Reserves are still fully funded



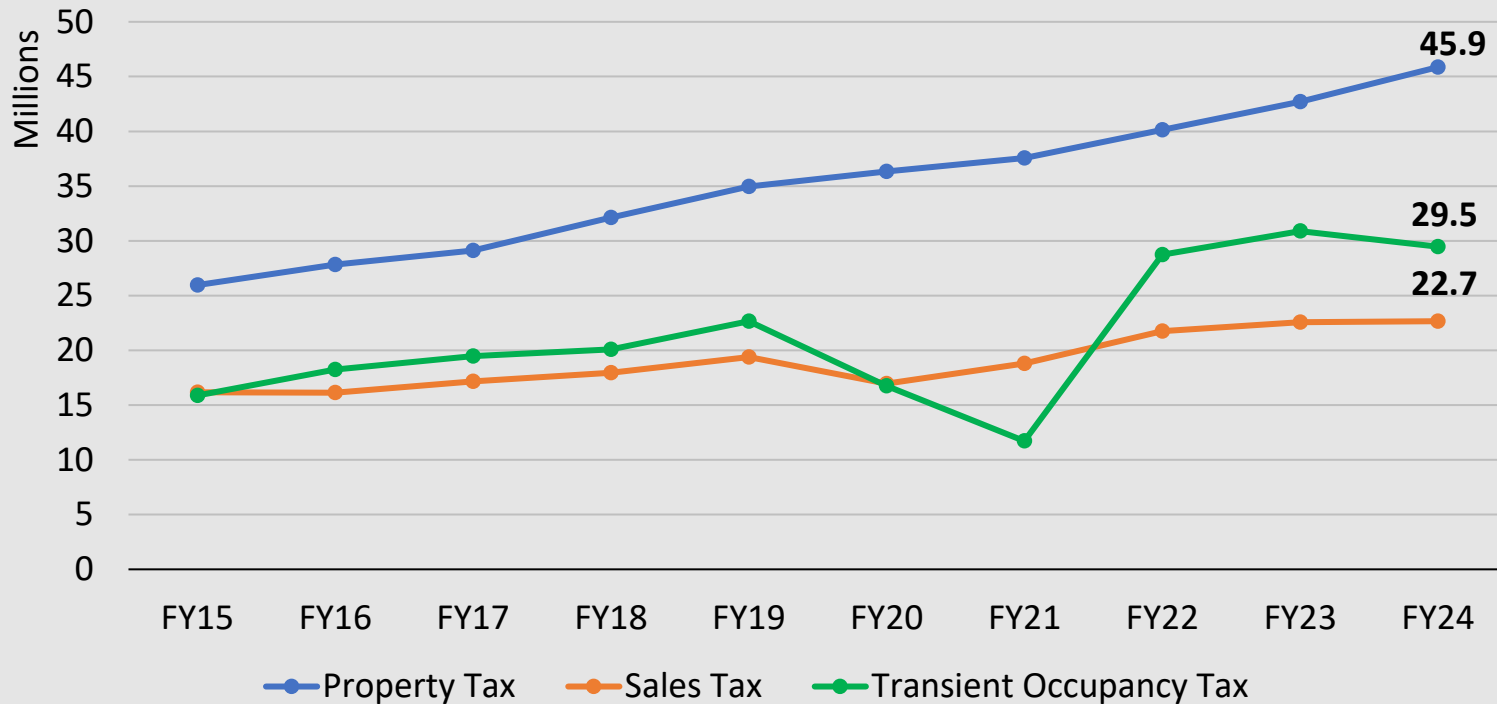
# Long-Term Financial Forecast

- Components
  - Financial Trend Analysis – 5 Year (4 history + current)
    - Rapid growth out of last recession can skew analysis of current trends
  - Financial Forecast – 5 Years Forward
    - Economic Assumptions
    - Collaborative efforts with staff, professionals & consultants
    - Anticipated Development



# Historical Revenue

## Primary Revenue Sources



- Property Tax: average annual increase of 6.5% from FY15 – FY24
- Sales Tax: average annual increase of 3.8% from FY15 – FY24
- TOT: average annual increase of 7.1% from FY15 – FY24
  - Timeframe includes 4 new hotels and 1 hotel expansion

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- Is a model that shows us what MIGHT happen in the future
- Revenue estimates based on our current best guess of economic outlook
- Expenditure estimates based on historical growth rates → what happens if we keep doing what we've been doing
  - Actuarial data – UAL



# The Forecast....

- A set of reasonable, most likely assumptions about future revenues and expenditures based on current budget/trends
- Changes to assumptions → Changes in the forecast
- GFOA best practice for fiscal management
- Planning Tool
  - Allows us to model future impacts of current budget decisions
  - Allows us to see surplus/deficit trends over time
  - Assists us with making changes needed to avoid future deficits

# The Forecast....

- Is not a budget – Council has final authority to establish the budget and amend it as needed
- Is not a labor relations plan – Collective bargaining is a separate process from forecasting; assumptions in the forecast are for modeling purposes only
- Is not a set of promises – COLA increase assumptions, operating budget growth assumptions, etc. are for modeling purposes only
- Is not set in stone – Assumptions are changed over time in response to a variety of factors and trends

# Forecast....

- What's Included
  - Economic Assumptions
  - Major Development Currently Underway plus Anticipated Growth
  - Transfers Based on Current Fiscal Policy
- What's Not Included
  - ARPA Funding
  - New Positions
  - Funding for Current Unfunded Needs
  - New or Enhanced Programs/Services



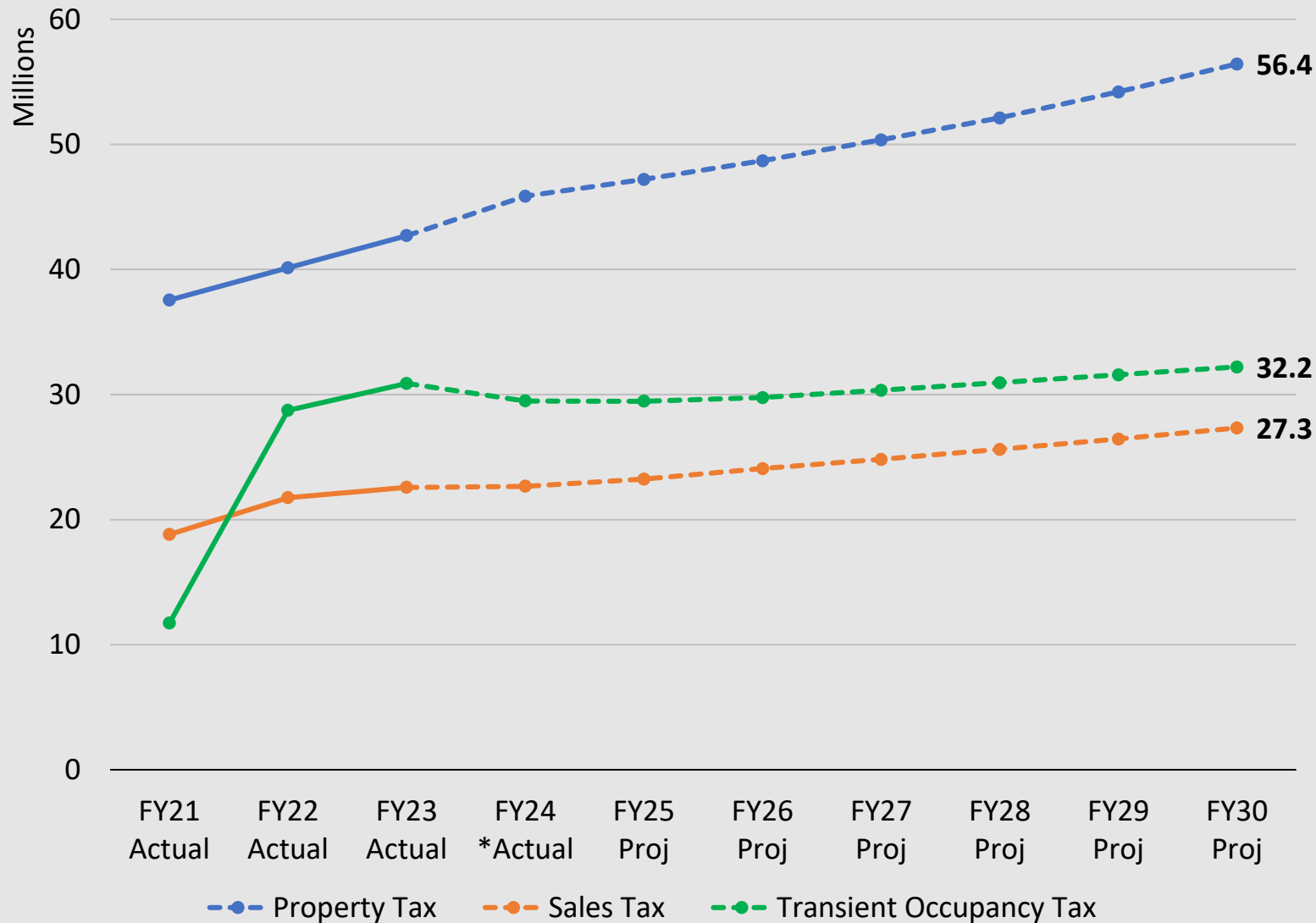
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## Annual Revenue Growth Rates

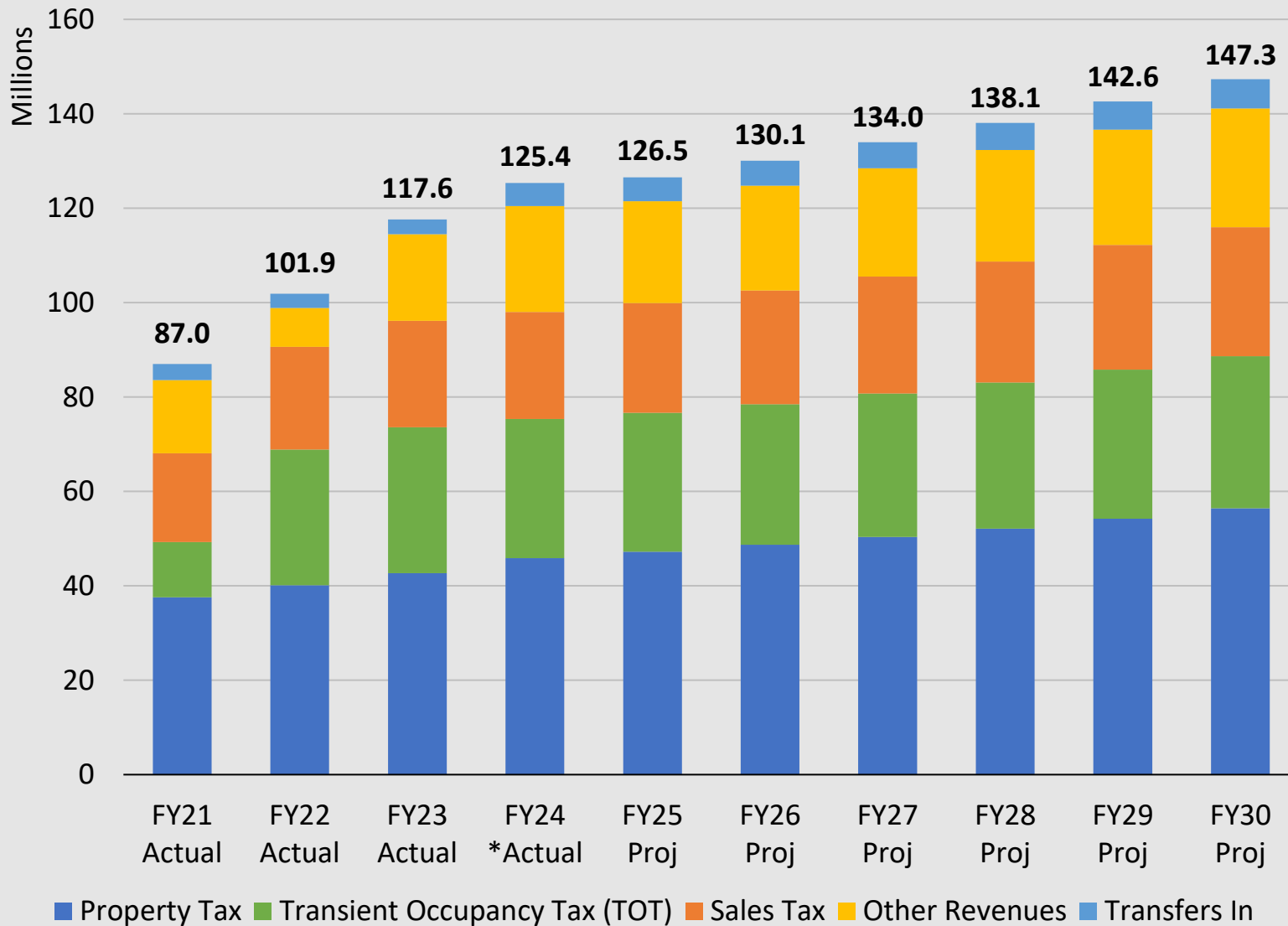
- Property Tax: 4.0% throughout forecast
- Sales Tax: 3.5% average annual growth
- Transient Occupancy Tax
  - From 2.5% average annual growth for existing inventory to 1% in FY26 & 2% beyond
  - FY24 Actual less than FY23
  - Estimated projected new development



# Property, Sales & TOT Revenue



# Revenue Forecast



# Forecast Assumptions

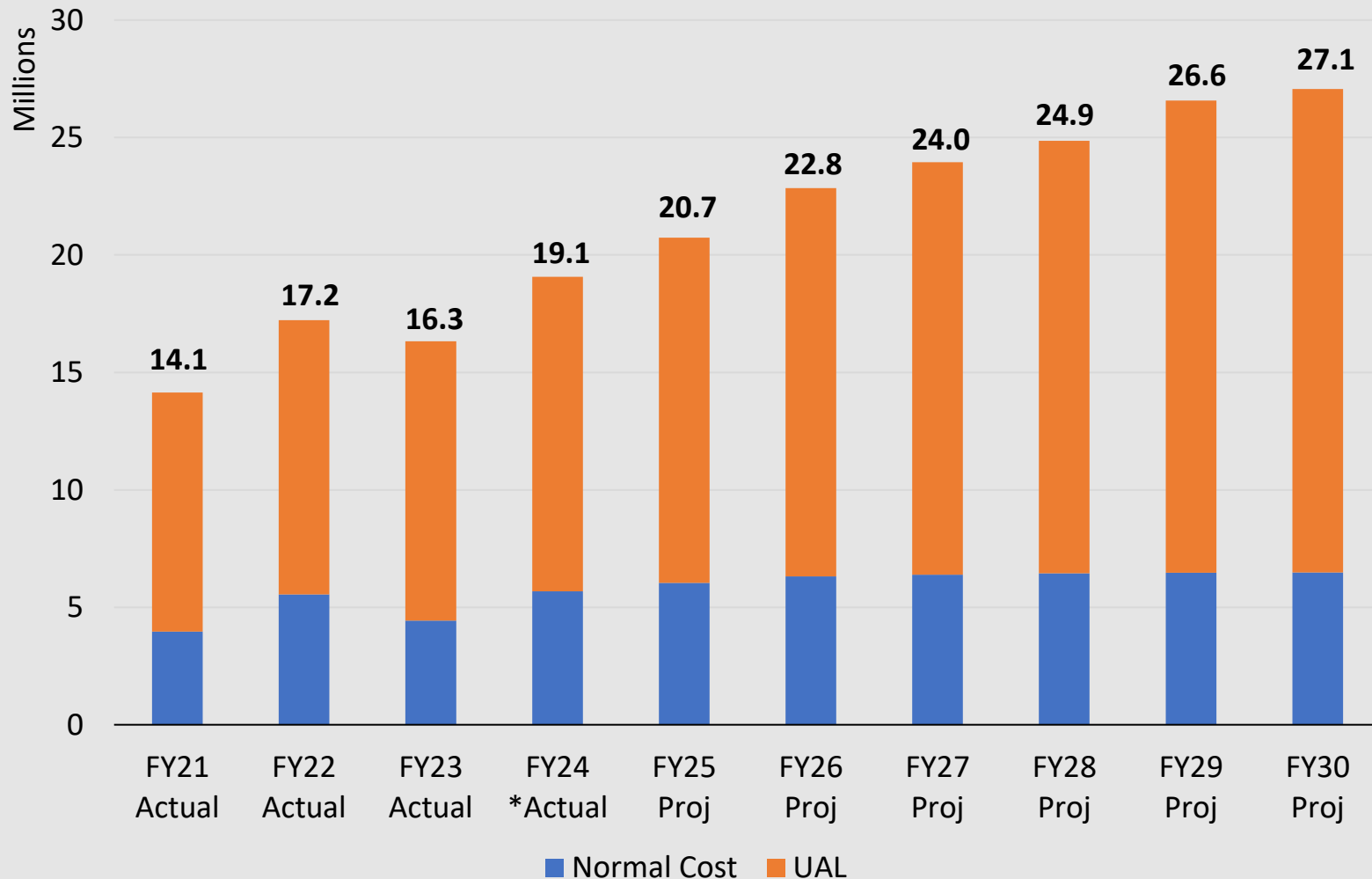
## Annual Expenditure Growth Rates

- Based on historical trends, core City services
- Staffing: No new positions beyond FY25 budget
- Salaries & Wages: 3.7% combined rate for COLA and step increases beyond MOUs
- 4.5% annual increase in healthcare/dental costs
- -2.1% average annual increase in CalPERS normal costs (payroll)
- CalPERS UAL schedule increasing 6.7%
  - Reflects rising annual costs, peaking in FY31 at \$21M (GF)

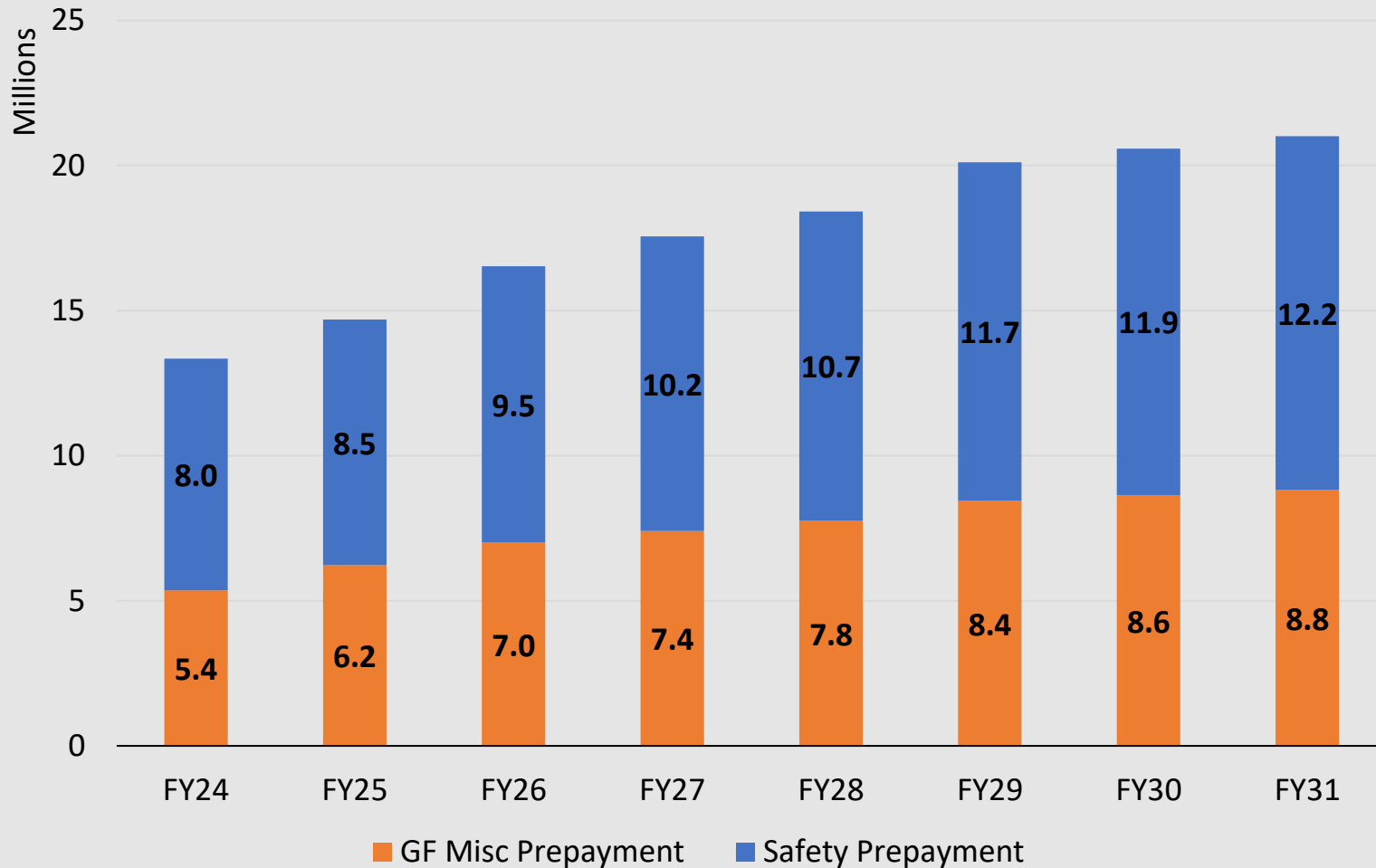




# Projected CalPERS Costs General Fund Only

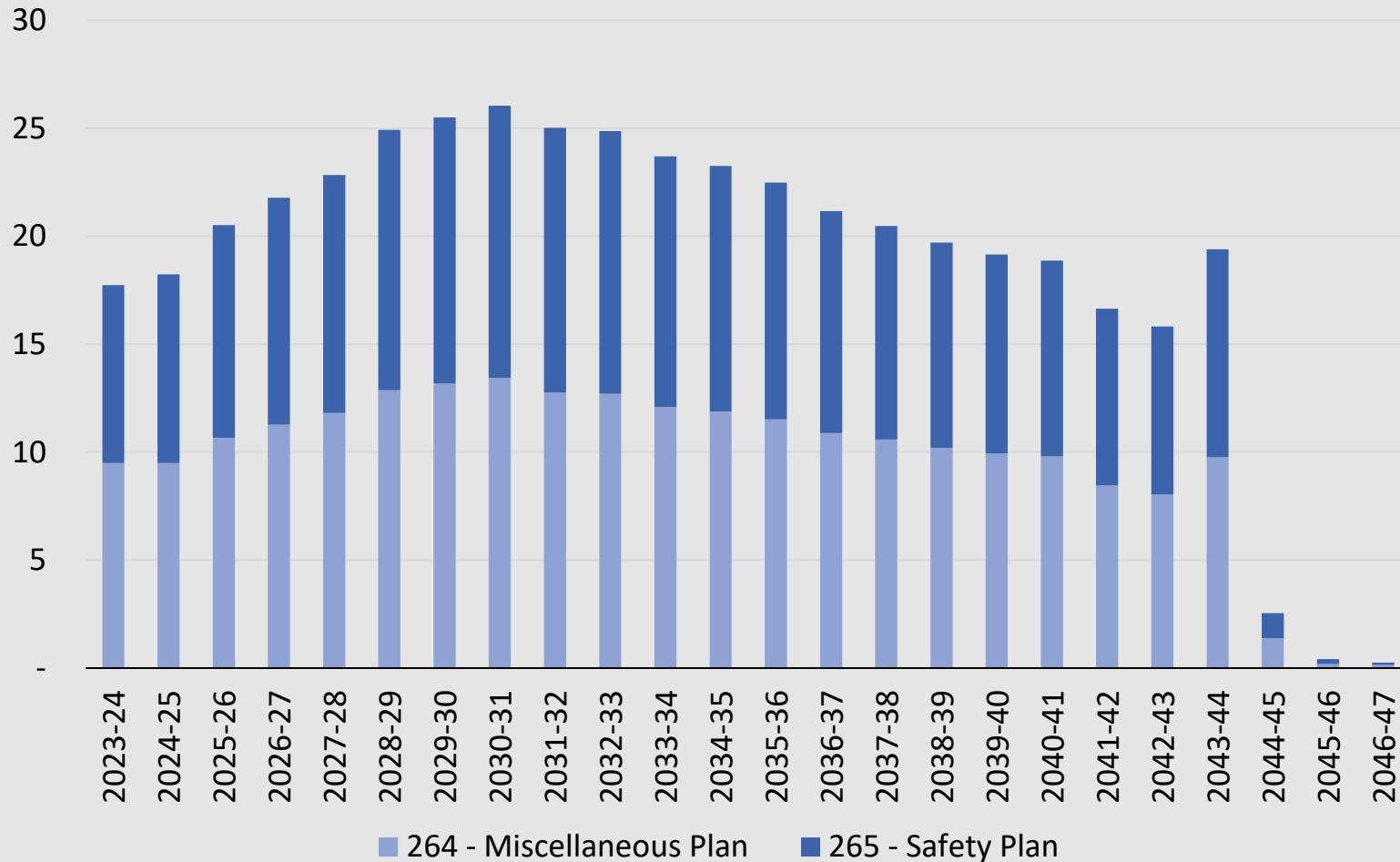


# Projected CalPERS UAL Prepayments - GF



# Projected CalPERS UAL All Funds

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# Forecast Assumptions

## Annual Expenditure Growth Rates

- Semi-Discretionary
  - Services & Supplies: 9.7% - Capping at 5%
    - Utilities, Property Tax Administration Fees, Software Licenses, Payments to Other Agencies, etc.
  - Internal Services: Fleet 3.21%, Risk 15.3%
- Discretionary
  - Services & Supplies: 4.3% - Capping at 3%
    - Professional Services, General Supplies, Travel/Training, etc.
  - Transfer to Sidewalks Program: \$0.9 million/year



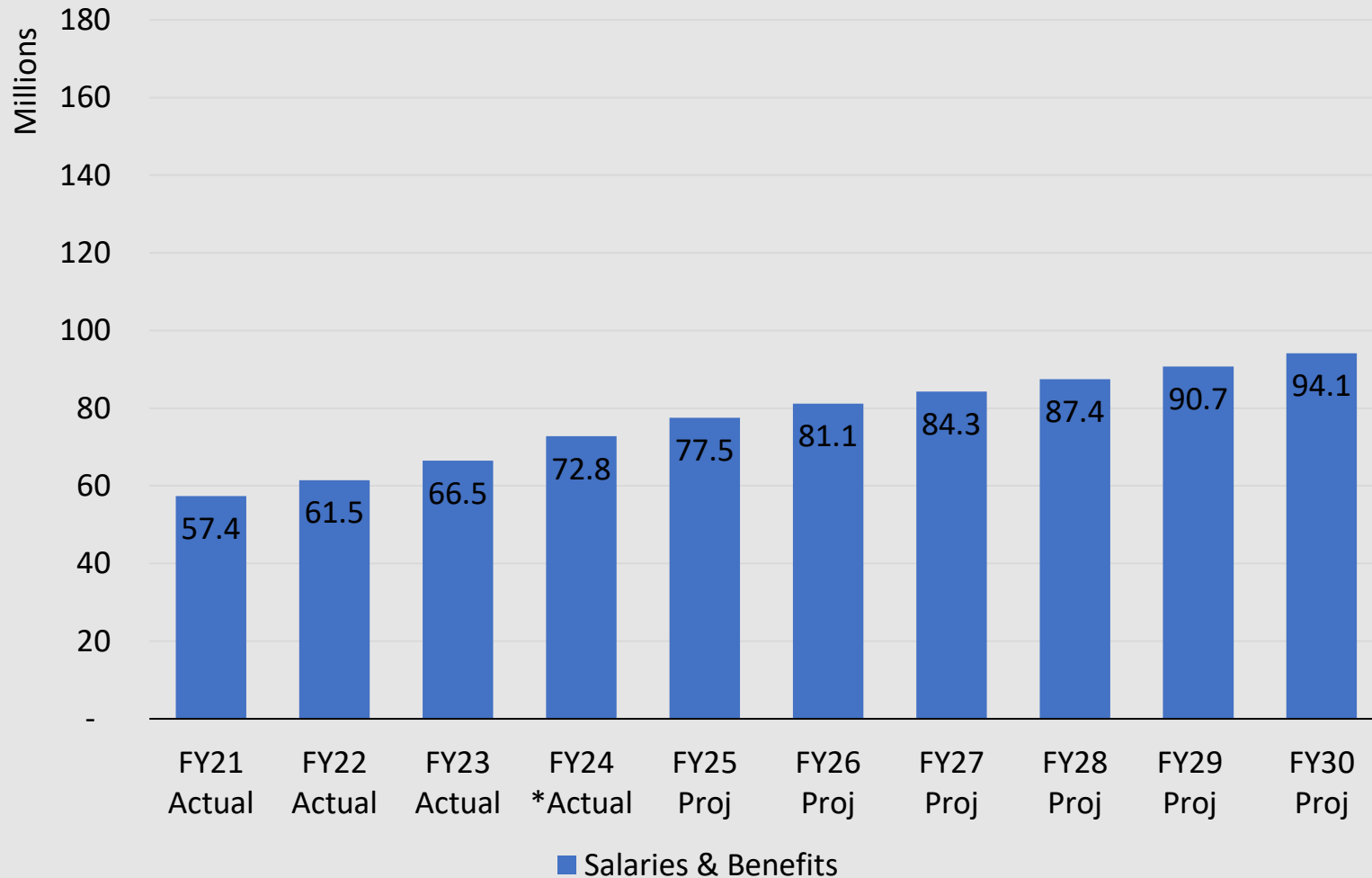
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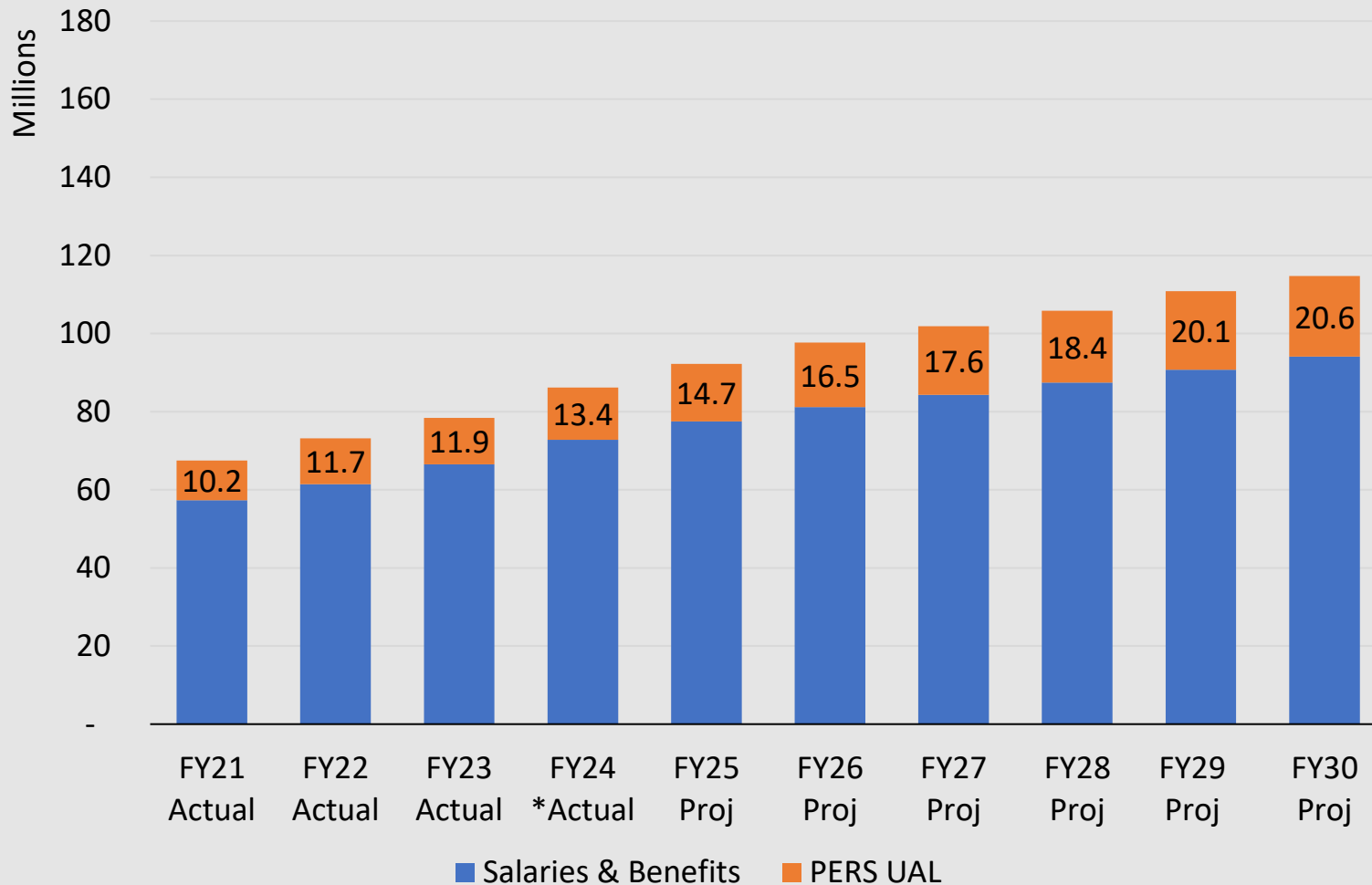
- Transfers Out per Fiscal Policy
  - CIP Facilities Reserve: 2% of Operating Budget
  - CIP General Fund Reserve: 1% of Operating Budget, plus \$0.10 million for the General Plan
  - Equipment Replacement Reserve: \$0.15 million/year
  - General Fund Reserves: bring balances up to equal 14% (Emergency), 5% (Operating), or 1% (Contingency) of Operating Budget



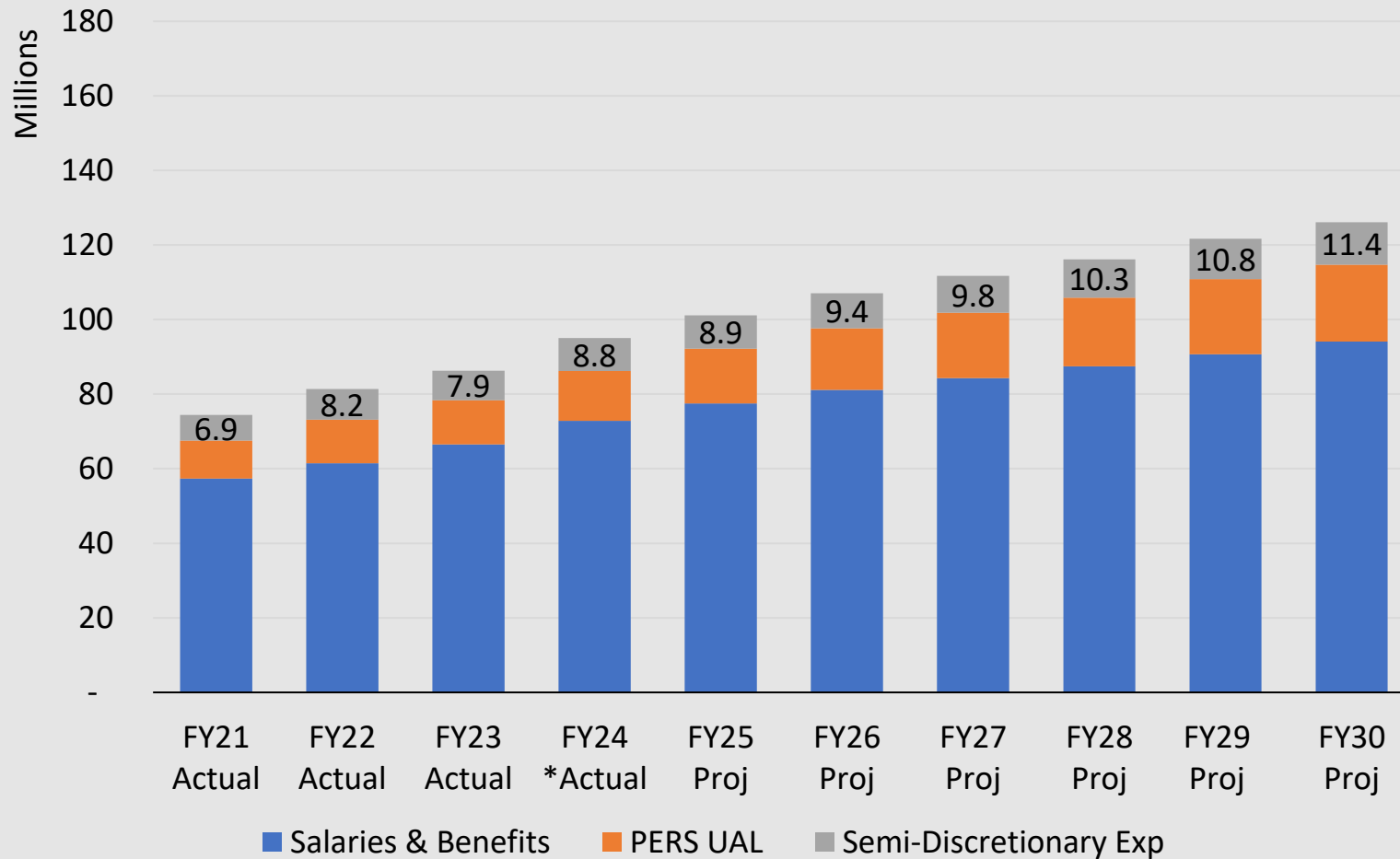
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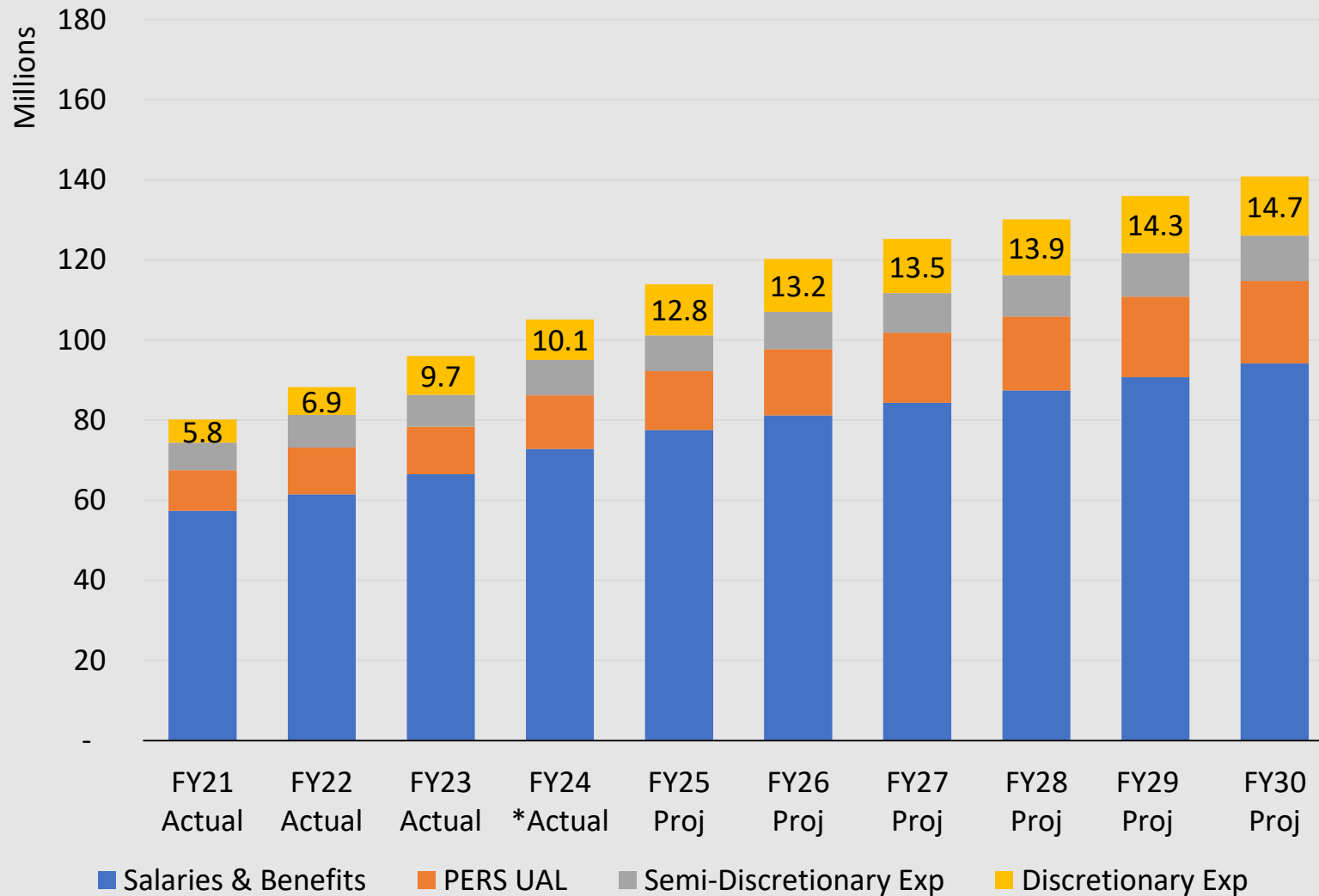


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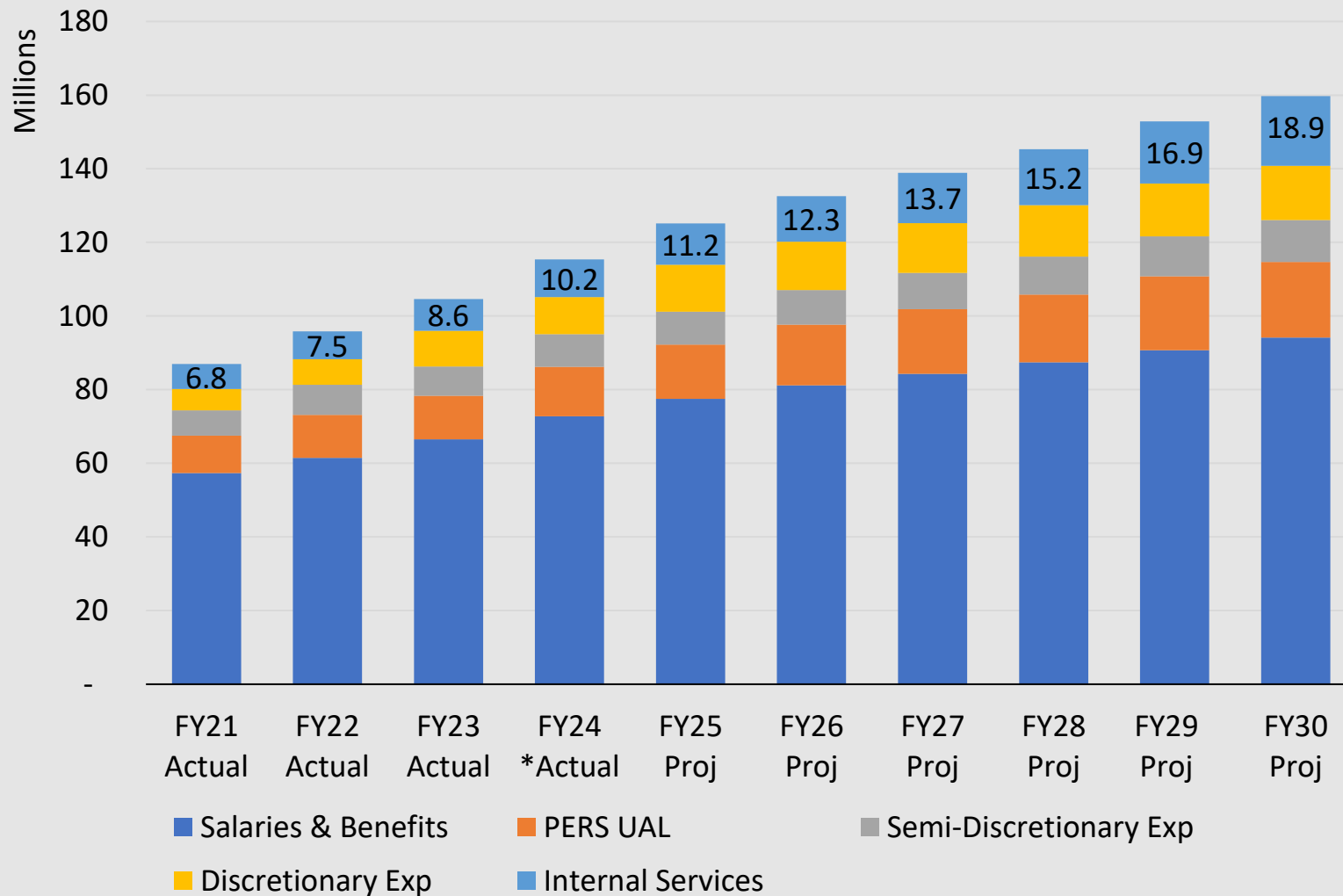




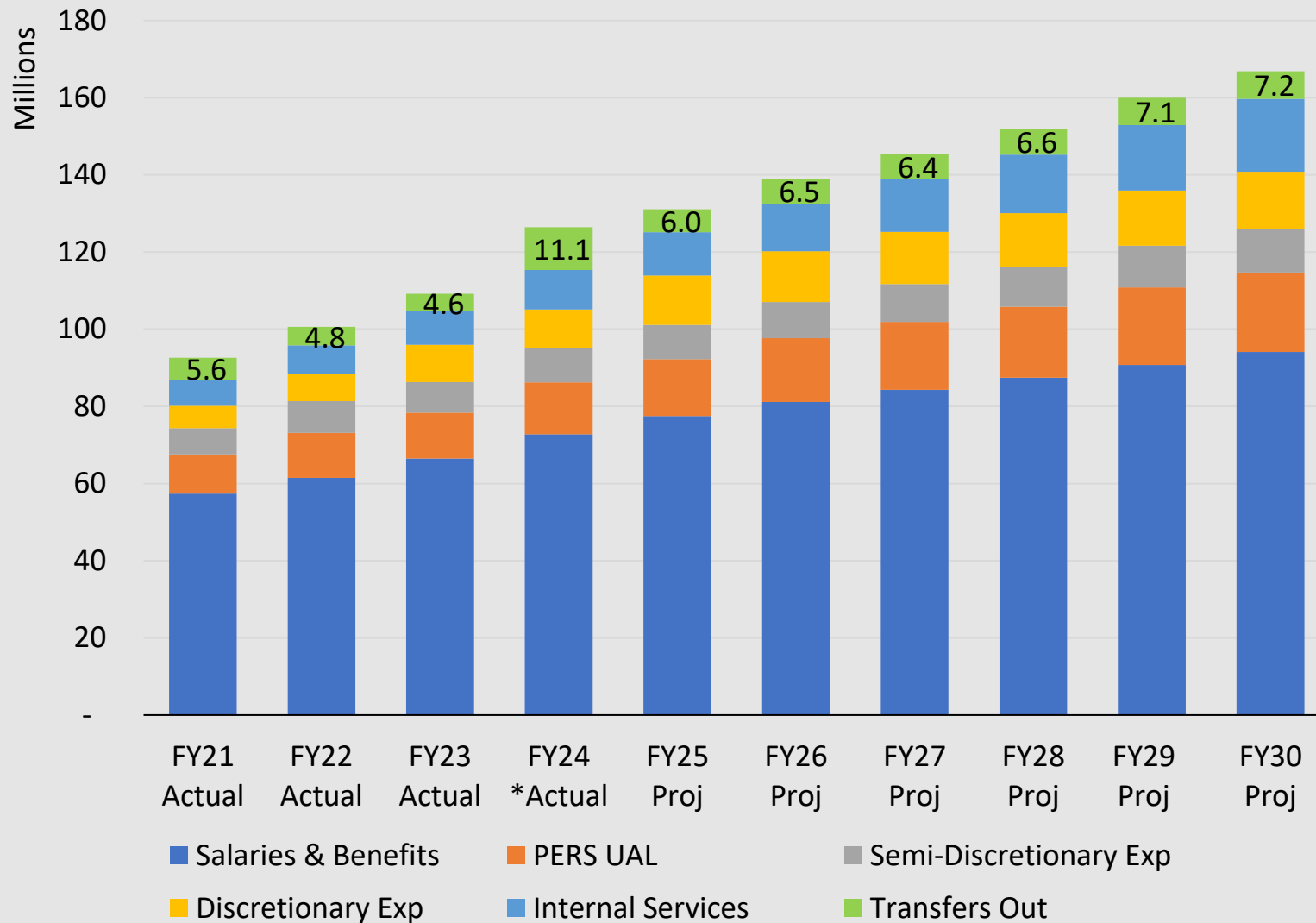
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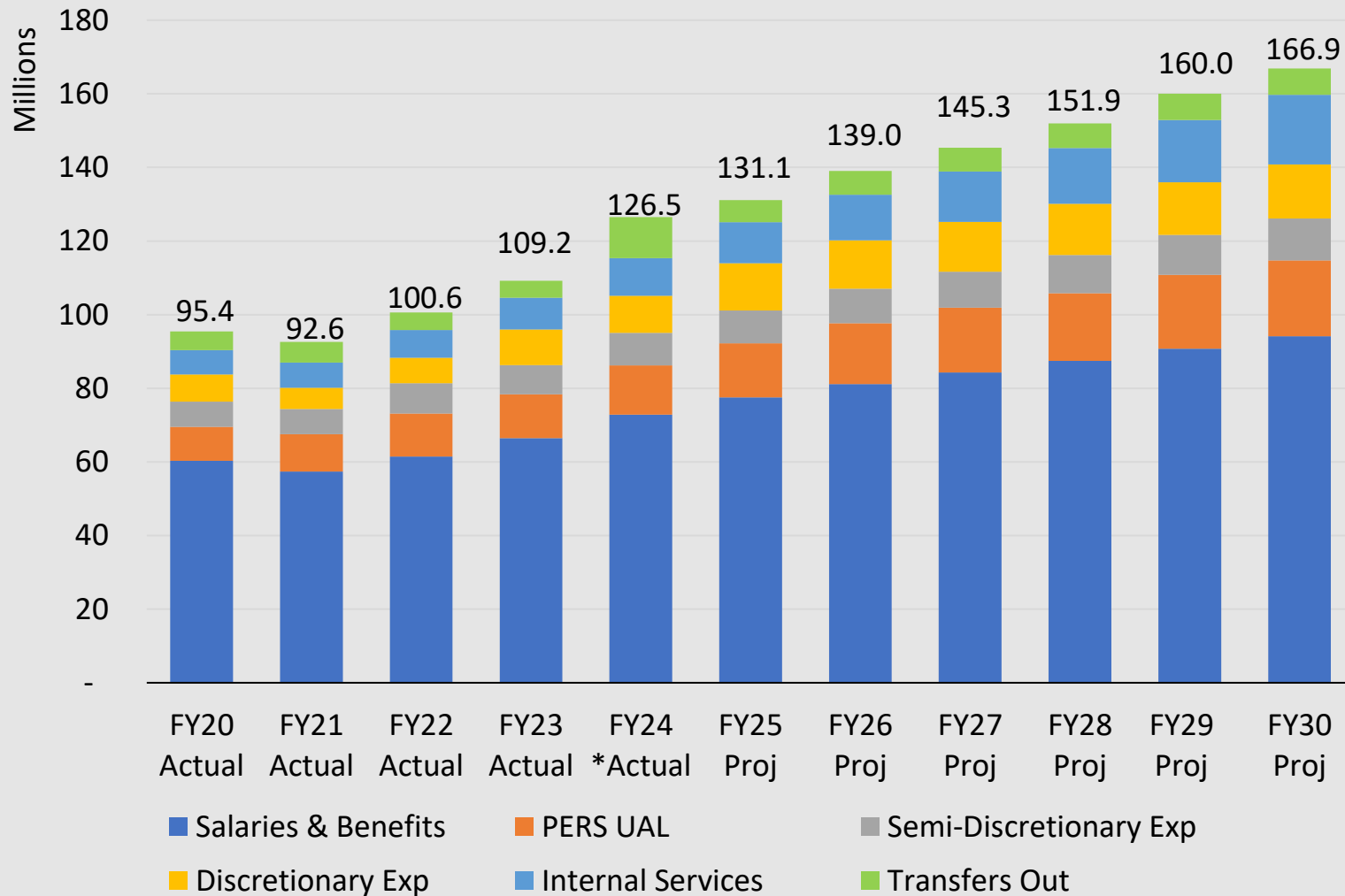
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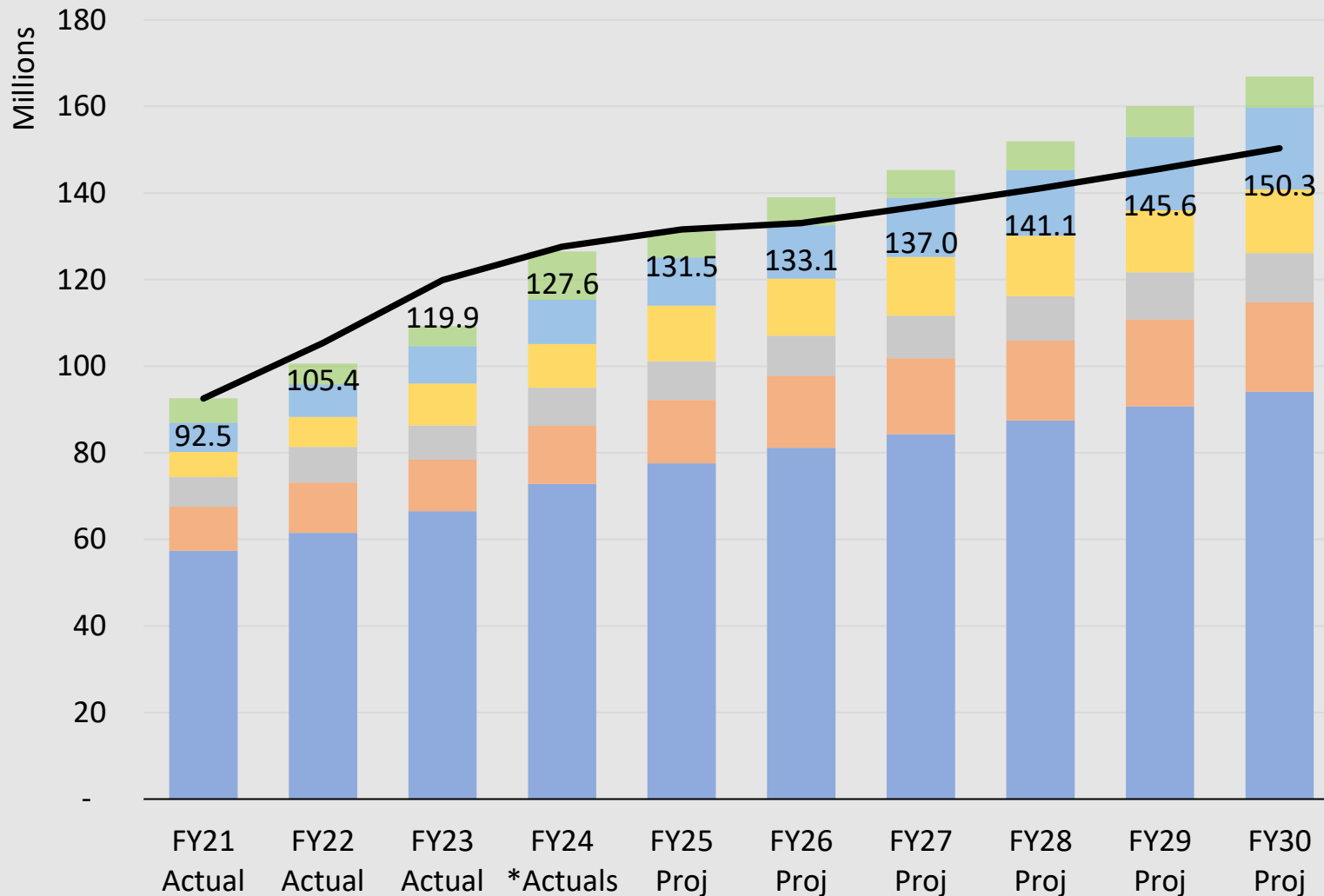
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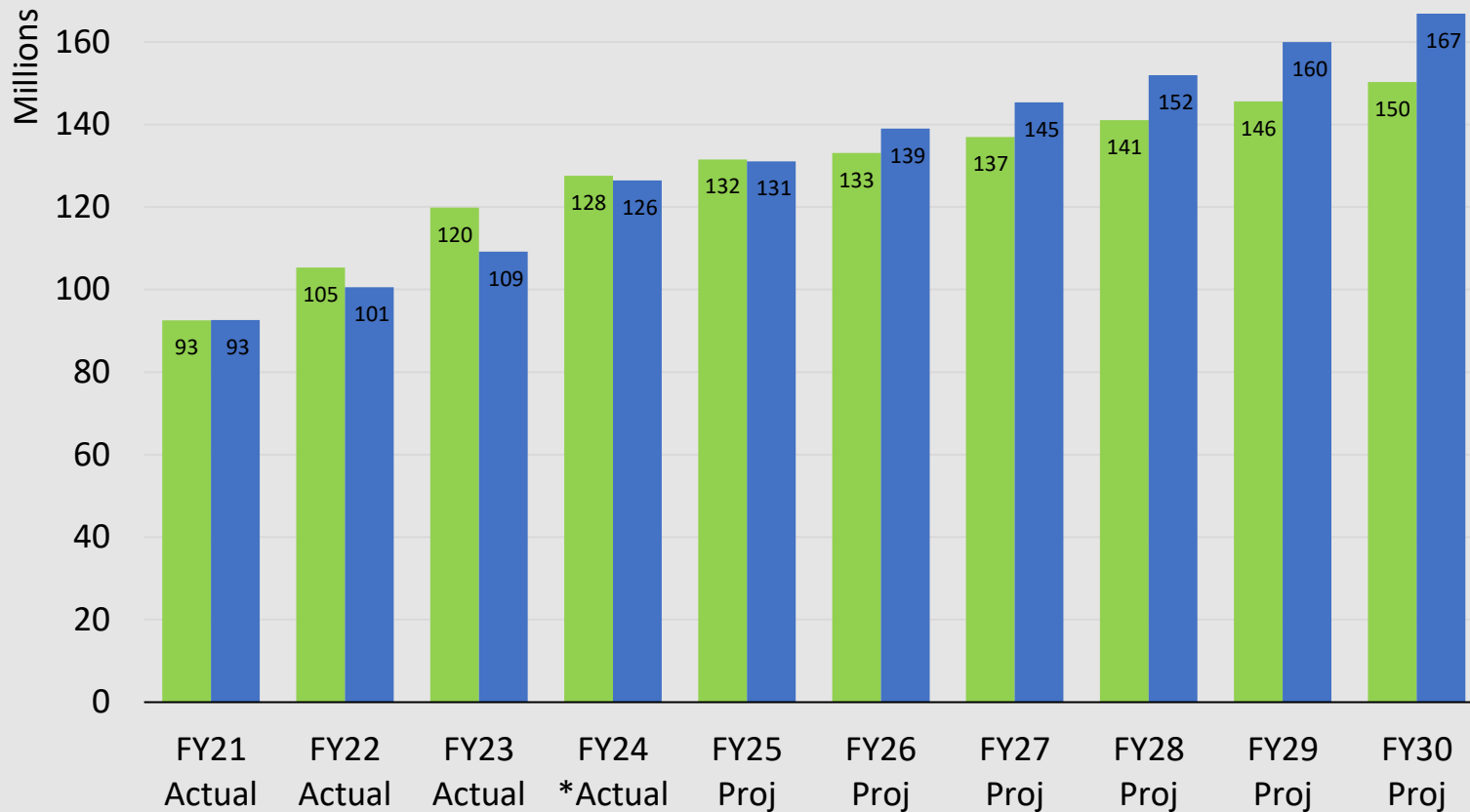
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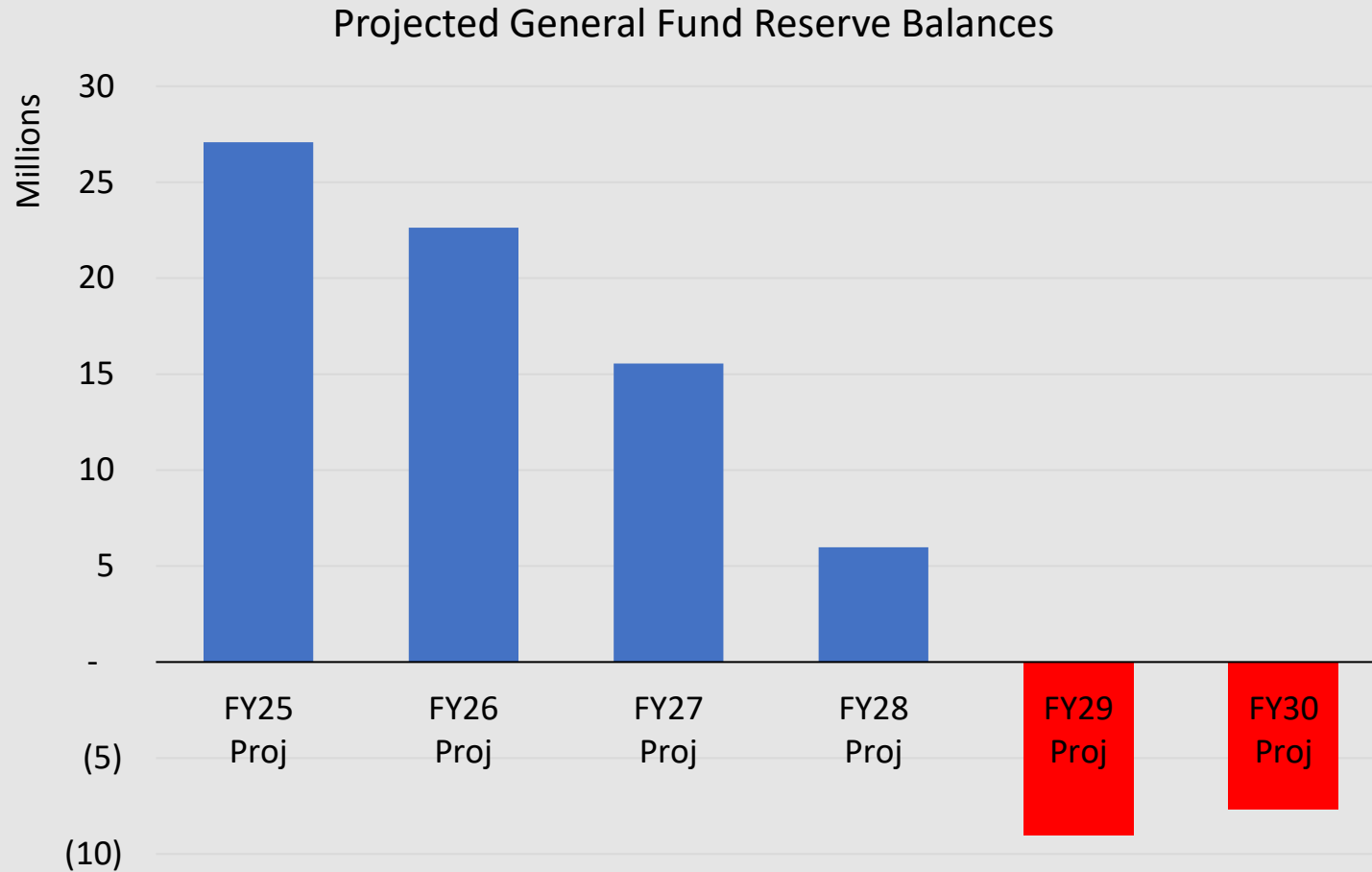
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# Usage of General Fund Reserves

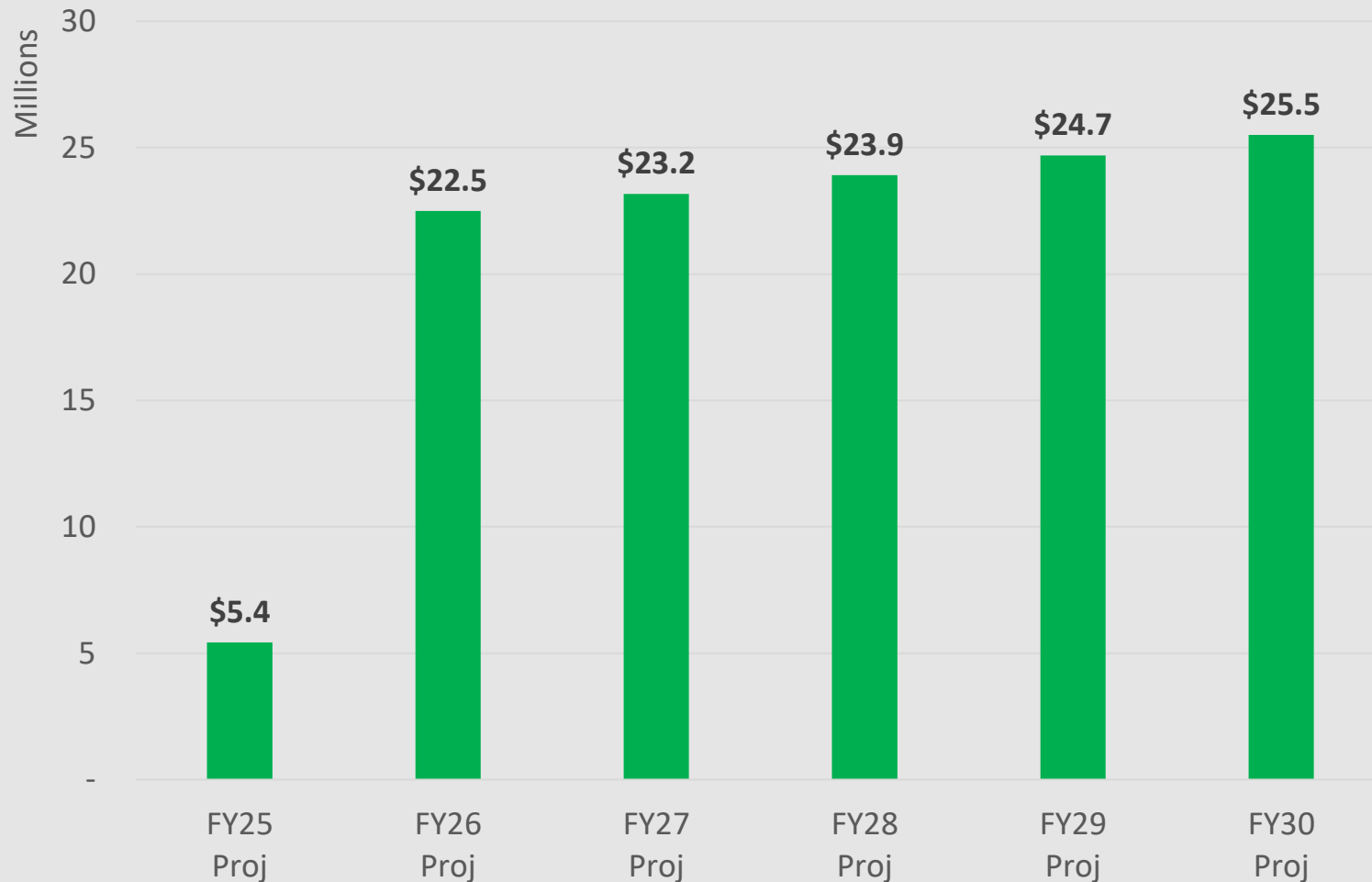


# New Revenue – Measure G

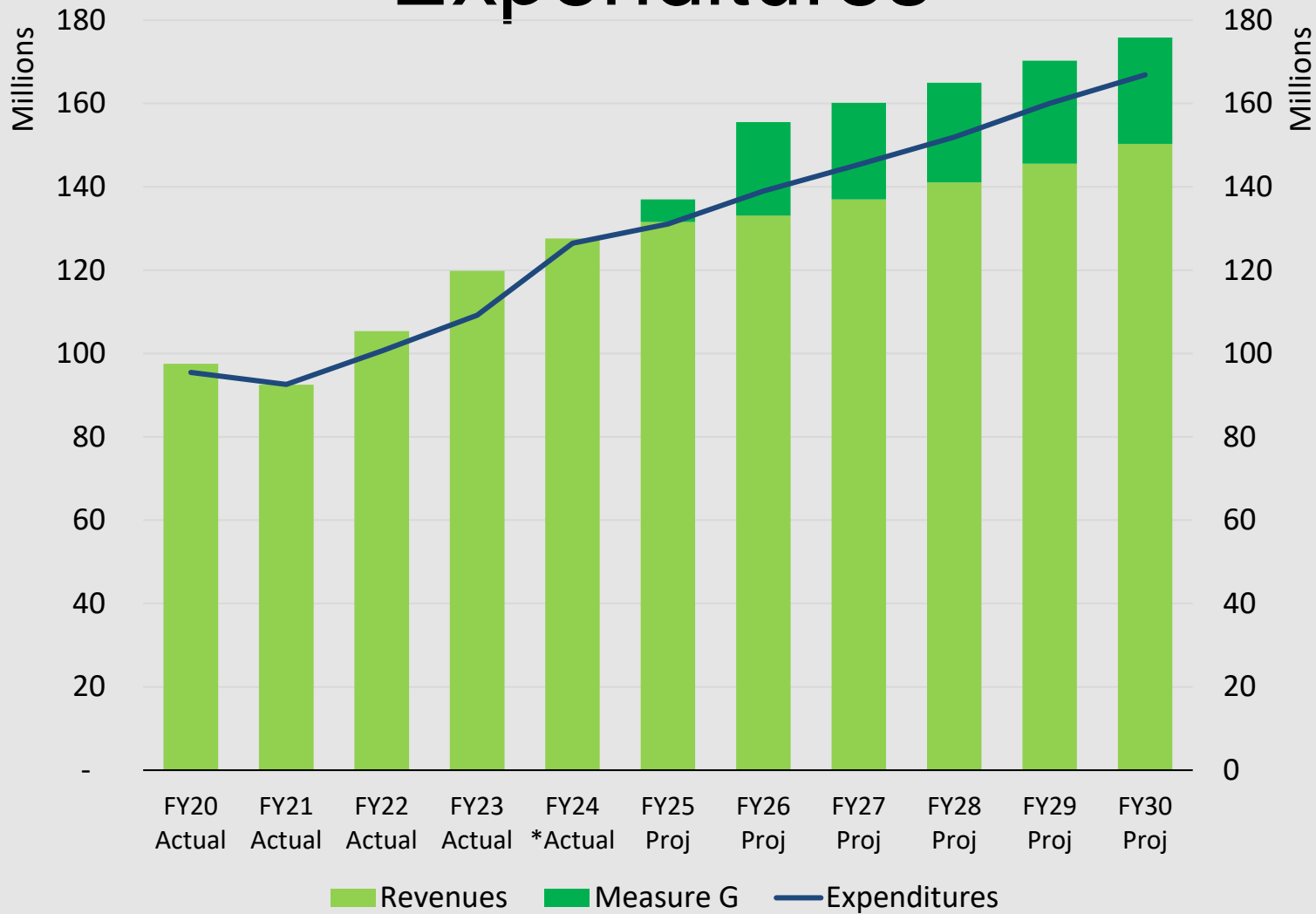




# Measure G - Projected Revenue



# Revenues, Measure G & Expenditures



*Includes continued use of one-time revenues through FY30*

# Summary

- Revenues growth is stabilizing
- Economic Uncertainty – VLF, ERAF & UAL
- As Measure G decision are made, continue to analyze impacts
- Ensure long-term fiscal stability



# What's Next?

- January 30: Council Workshop
- February/March:
  - End of Year Report/ACFR (FY 23/24)
  - Mid-Year Report – revenue adjustments as needed
- May/June: Budget Workshop & Adoption
- Going forward will continue to use the Forecast and Mid-Year Report to evaluate revenue and adjust budgets as needed if growth differs from expectations.



Comments / Questions?



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