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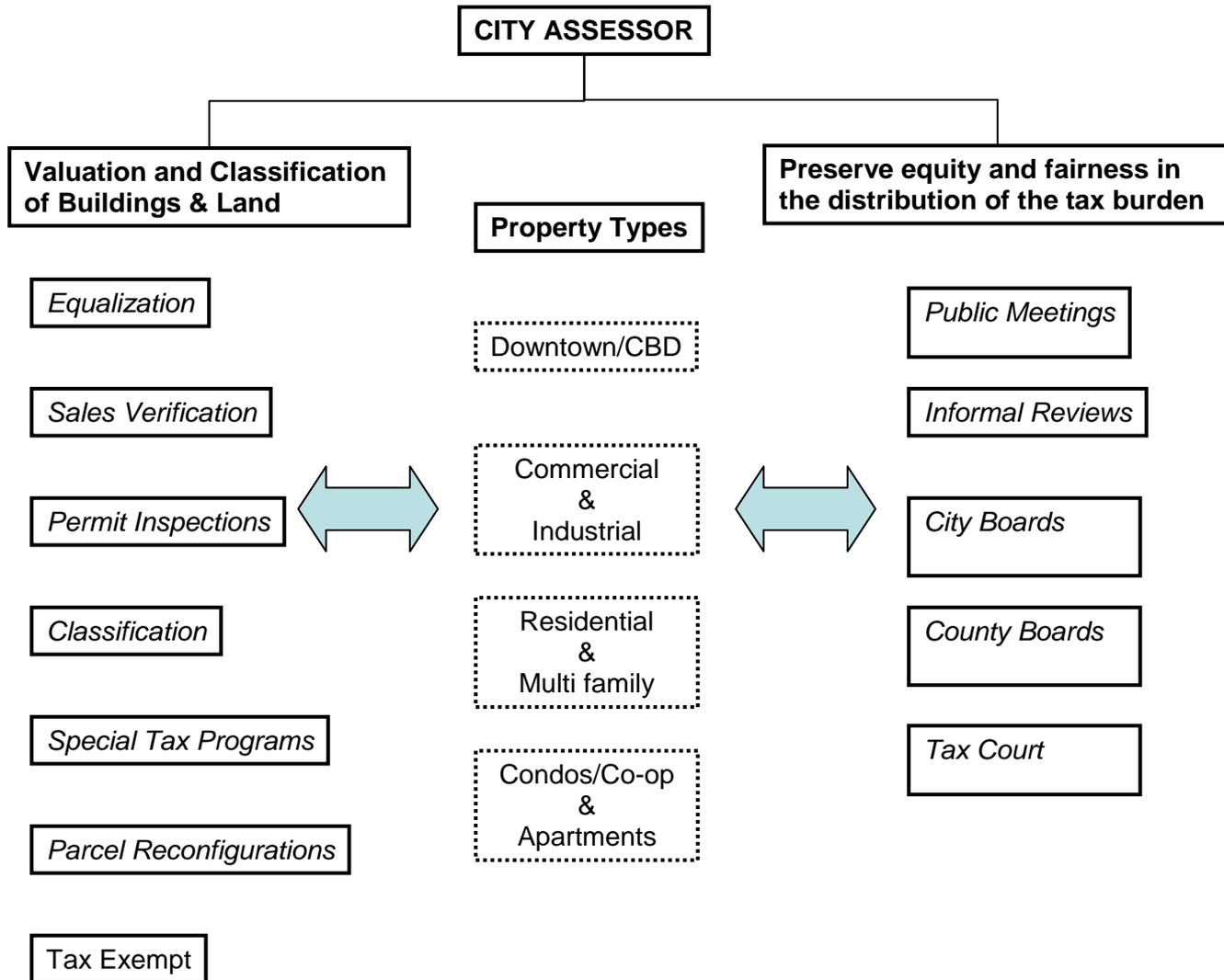
Assessor's Office

2016 Mayor recommended budget

September 18, 2015

Budget Book Pages F2-F9

Department Organizational Chart



Budget Summary

Program name	2015 adopted		2016 Recommended Funding		Enhancements (new dollars)		FTEs		Select type of funding
	General fund	Non-general fund	General fund	Non-general fund	General fund	Non-general fund	Current	Additional	One time
Appraisal and Assessment Administration	\$4,869,380		\$5,027,275		\$114,500		36	1	No
Total	\$4,869,380		\$5,027,275		\$114,500		36	1	No



Core Programs



Appraisal and Assessments Administration

Purpose and Context

The Assessor's Office is statutorily mandated to annually determine the classification and market value of all land and improvements. The office also administers property tax programs in accordance with state law.

Services Provided

- ❖ Property Inspections
- ❖ Exemptions and Property Tax Relief Programs
- ❖ Data and Record Management
- ❖ Taxpayer Notification
- ❖ Taxpayer Appeals and Reviews
- ❖ Tax Court Litigation
- ❖ Neighborhood and Business Relations

Appraisal and Assessments Administration

2015 Adopted Budget		2016 Recommended Funding		FTEs	Funding
General Fund	Non-General Fund	General Fund	Non-General Fund	Current	One-Time (Yes/No)
4,869,380		5,027,275		37	

Goals					
Living Well	One Minneapolis	A Hub of Innovation and Activity	Great Places	A City that Works	
	X				X
Values					
Equity	Safety	Health	Vitality	Connectedness	Growth
X					X

Appraisal and Assessments Administration *Enhancements*

Business Application Manager Position:

The Mayor recommended \$114,500 ongoing General Fund resources for an additional 1 FTE (Business Applications Manager) to provide appraisers and staff with additional technical support to analyze data and identify real estate market trends.



What will this position do?

Description

The Business Application Manager (aka “Modeler”) serves the appraisal staff by developing complex Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) models for residential, apartment and commercial properties.

CAMA models are the foundation of mass appraising and the basis for an accurate, equitable and defensible assessments in Minneapolis.

What will this position do cont.

Description

Additional duties and responsibilities assigned to the modeler includes:

- Develop new models
- Conduct statistical research
- Monitor and test for data integrity in the land management system
- Responsible for queries, research projects and reports
- Develop and maintain the assessor's web page
- The department's liaison to IT, CPED, GIS, Regulatory Services, Finance/Property Services and Public Works

Why is this position needed?

External Demands

- Growth in Minneapolis
 - Commercial
 - Condominiums
 - Apartments
- Technology & Innovation
- Appetite for information is significant

Internal Challenges

- Historical Staff Cuts
- Staff turnover and retention
- High parcel to appraiser ratio
- No staff resources available for research and analysis or special projects

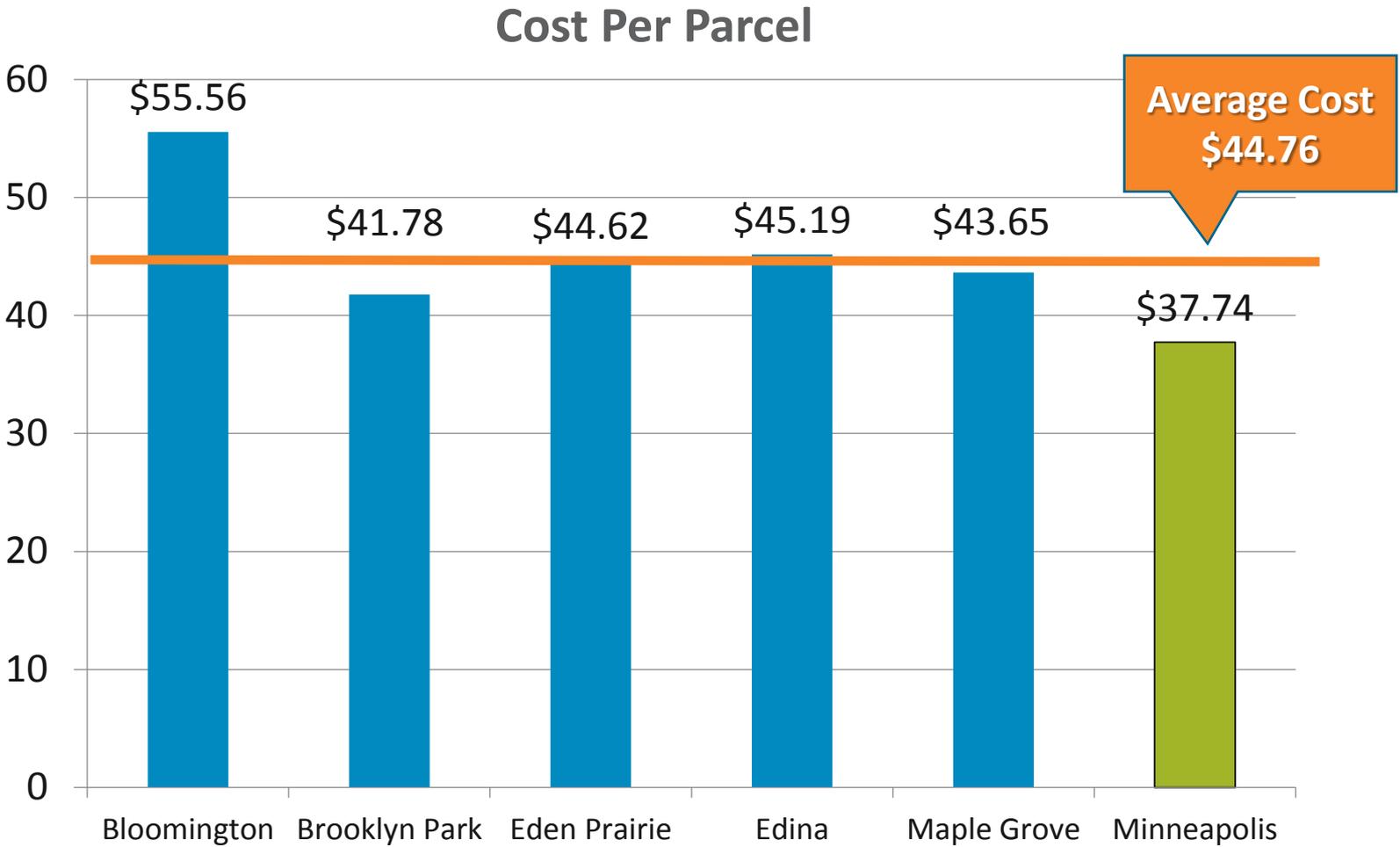
Value and benefits

Capitalize on existing and new technology:

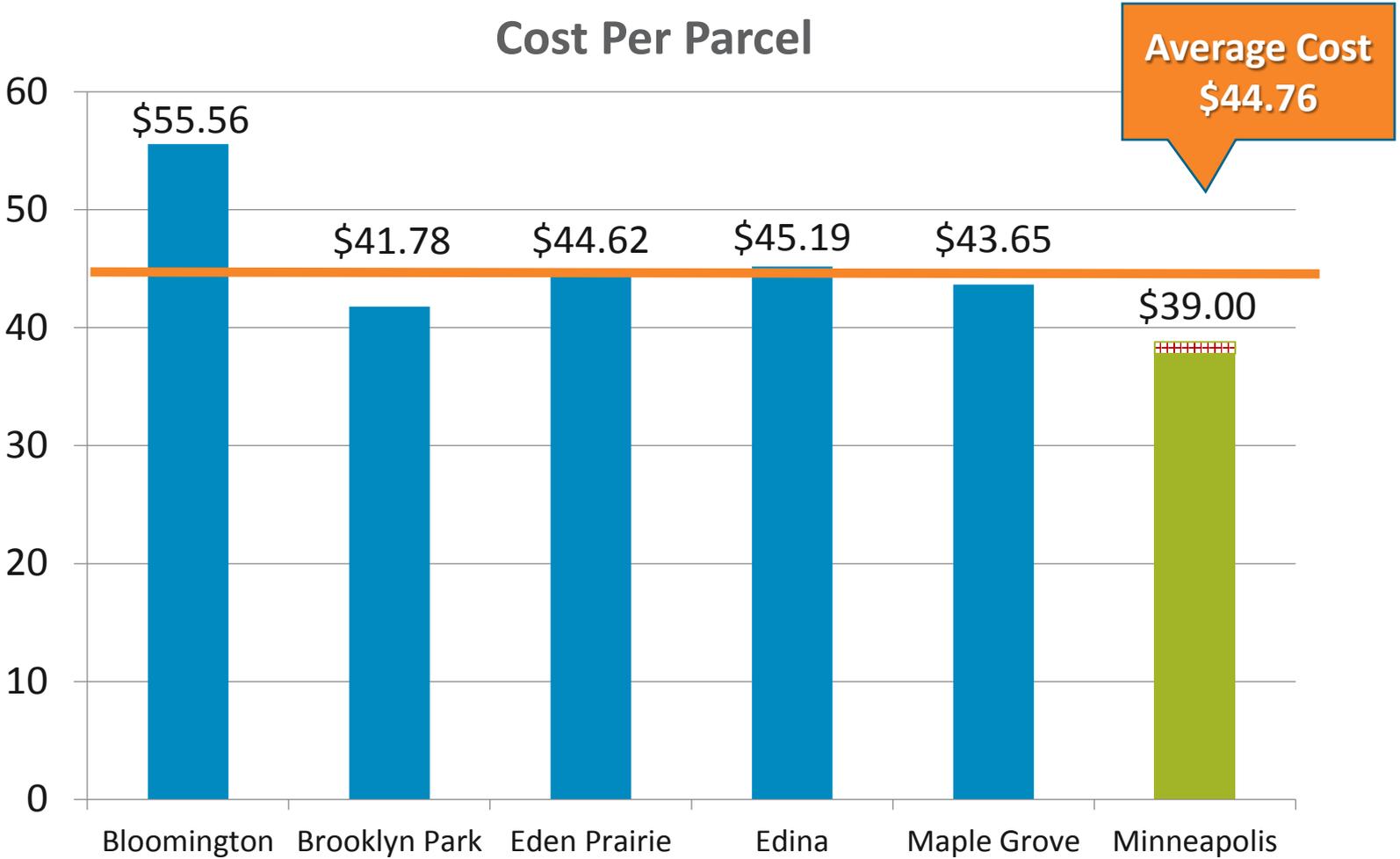
- Refine existing models for better results
- Develop new models for Apt, Com. & Ind. properties
- Additional quality checks to increase accuracy and consistency of data
- Reports to ensure assessments are fair, equitable and defensible citywide
- Alleviates some workload pressures for appraisers
- Website enhancements with search tools and applications



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Summary and Support

Financial

- Cost effective at \$39.00
- Biggest impact with fewest resources expended
- Market driven adjustment

Technical

- Maximize existing apps
- Develop on new apps
- Partner on projects
- Provide more data and information to the public

**Best
ROI**

Strategic

- A City That Works: City government run well
- Operations are efficient, effective, results driven and customer focused

Operational

- Develop and support core functions within the dept.
- Supports internal and external customers

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Questions?

THANK YOU

