



# City of Beacon: State of the City

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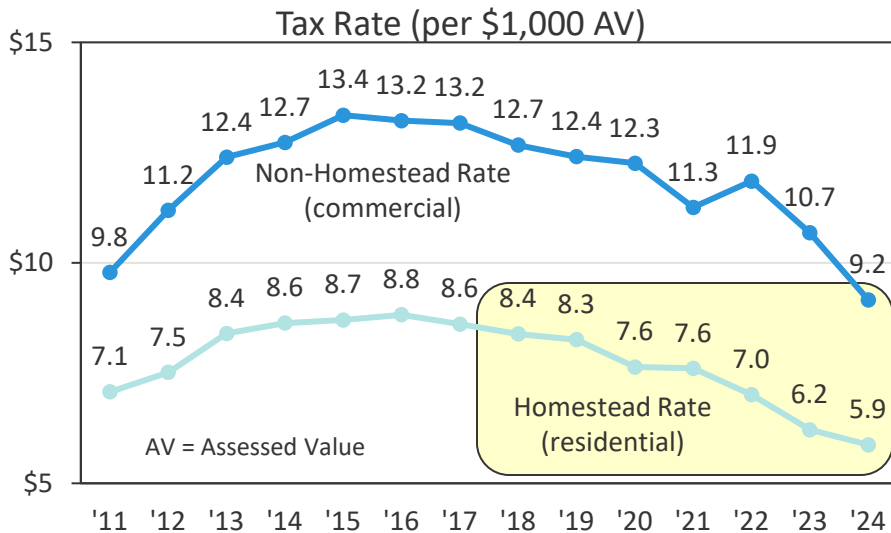
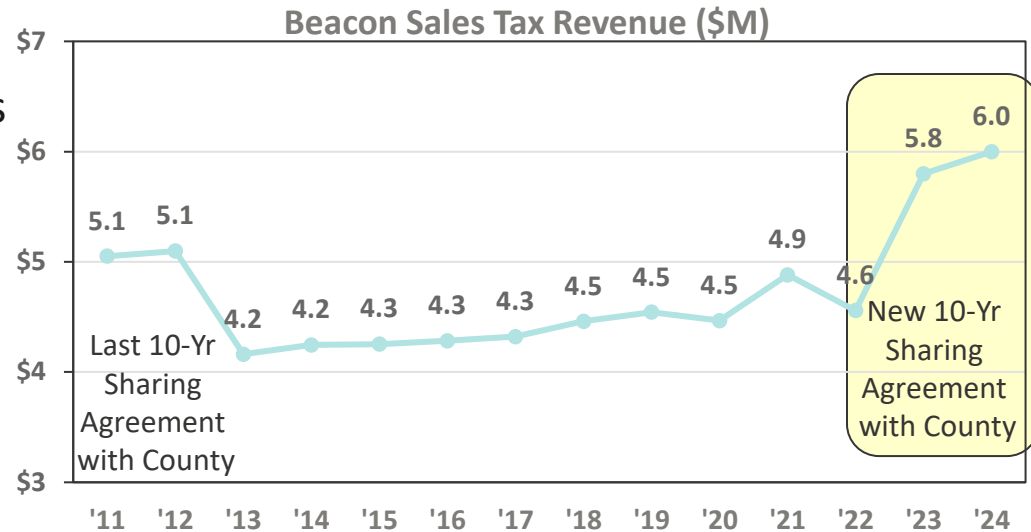
# State of the City: 6 Key Areas

- 1. Strong Financial Discipline**
- 2. Improved Public Safety**
- 3. Record Infrastructure Investment**
- 4. Enhanced Quality of Life**
- 5. Climate Leadership**
- 6. Good Government**



# 1. Strong Financial Discipline

- New sales tax revenue: >\$1M in '23 and '24; >\$20M over 10 years
- Lower property tax rate every year
- Tax increases below state 2% cap
- New additions to tax rolls
- Strong Aa2 bond rating



Beacon Property Tax Growth	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Property Tax Growth (%)	2.6%	4.6%	1.7%	2.0%
• New Construction (%)	1.6%	3.7%	1.7%	1.5%
• Existing Properties (%)	1.4%	0.9%	0.0%	0.5%
CPI Inflation (%)	1.0%	6.5%	3.4%	2.4%e



## 2. Improved Public Safety

- Broke ground on new central fire station
- New ALS ambulance service, support for BVAC
- Additional civilian police dispatcher





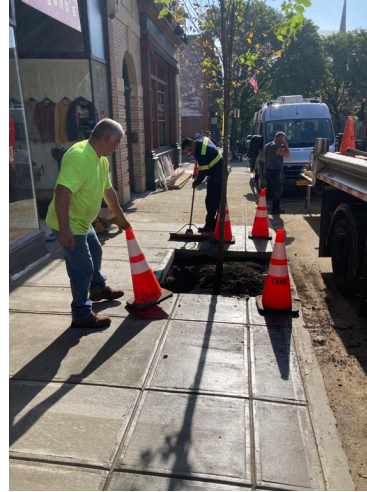
# 3. Record Infrastructure Investment

- Central fire station project
- Ongoing water/sewer/stormwater/dam projects
- Rebuilding Fishkill/Teller Ave
- Streets repaved; sidewalks/boardwalk rebuilt
- Dummy light restored ... again





### 3. Record Infrastructure Investment





# 4. Enhanced Quality of Life

- Main Street beautification continues
- Parks and trail improvements
- Expanded recreation programming
- Working with Fjord Trail developers
- Walkers Paradise rating for walkability
- Starting Route 52 revisioning committee
- Rail-Trail feasibility study



**Walker's Paradise**  
Daily errands do not require a car.



# 5. Climate Leadership

- Silver Status as Climate Smart Community
- City electric is 100% renewables
- Green municipal fleet growing; EV charging
- All-electric/geothermal central fire station
- Expanded composting program
- City trees & pollinator gardens; discount tree purchase program



**Climate Smart Communities**  
Certified Silver



**Organic Waste Drop Off**

**COMPOST**  
All FOOD!

- Vegetables & Fruit
- Egg shells, grains
- Coffee grounds & filter
- Meat, Dairy, & Bones
- Paper Towels
- BPI compostable dishware & cutlery

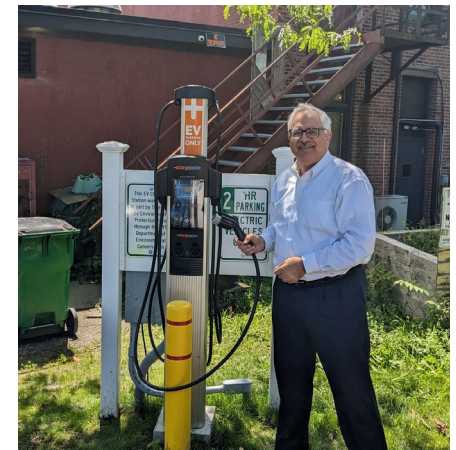
**TRASH**

**NON FOOD**

- Plastic bags
- Glass, Metal
- Styrofoam
- Produce stickers
- Coated paper plates
- Waxed cardboard

Food Scraps    Food Scraps

Trash





## 6. Good Government

- Transparency & accessibility
- Mayor's citizen committees
- Improving human resources
- Attracting professional and diverse staff



# Thank You Beacon



**We are all honored to serve you.**

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