

**CITY MANAGER'S
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Mayor and City Council
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Honorable Members in Session:

I am pleased to transmit to you the Approved Budget for Fiscal Year 2006/07. The Approved Budget is balanced and totals \$991.9 million from all funding sources with the City's General Fund portion of the budget totaling \$400.7 million. The development and approval of this budget reflects a time of change for the City of Sacramento. As the City continues to experience significant growth, we are challenged to address program and service needs for our expanding City. In addition, I have asked City staff to focus their efforts on customer service, with the ultimate goal of bringing the customer, our residents and those who do business with the City "to success". This new philosophy has already changed the way many of our City departments do business, and I am sure it will continue to affect our internal operations, programs and services in the future.

Mindful of these challenges, the Mayor and City Council have adopted a new "Strategic Planning – Strategic Budgeting" process. This new process has allowed the City Council to focus decision making in order to achieve specific objectives within the Council's adopted strategic planning focus areas and sustainable budget policy.

I look forward to working with the Mayor and City Council on the next phase of the Strategic Planning – Strategic Budgeting process as we continue to refine our citywide priorities and focus on our goals for the future of Sacramento.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Kerridge
City Manager

