



## Frequently Asked Questions

Join the Conversation!

**Q: What is the City's fiscal situation?**

A: Pleasant Hill continues to work hard to balance the city's budget, preserve our vibrant community and maintain our excellent quality of life. However, due to declining revenue during the recession and funding takeaways by Sacramento over many years, the City has struggled to maintain and repair our aging street and storm drain infrastructure, among other needs. Pleasant Hill needs control over local funds for local needs.

**Q: How have State Takeaways affected our City?**

A: Although cities work to protect local services from State takeaways, there is no guarantee that the State will not take additional funding in the future. Since 1992, these State reductions in revenue have resulted in less money for the City to maintain current levels of services. Consequently, the City has had to delay critical maintenance and repair of our streets, roads and storm drains.

**Q: Specifically, how have roads and storm drains been affected by the shortfall?**

A: The City has almost \$15 million dollars in deferred street maintenance and over \$9 million in necessary storm drain improvements currently. If these infrastructure needs are not addressed soon, it will just cost millions more for major reconstruction and repair in the future.

**Q: What about our Library?**

A: The Pleasant Hill library is 55 years old and does not meet current earthquake safety standards. For the safety and security of our community, we need a new seismically safe library for residents to use for years to come.

**Q: What are the essential city services that need to be maintained and protected?**

A: Key essential city services important to our residents include:

- Fixing potholes and repairing neighborhood and city streets and roads
- Maintaining neighborhood police patrols
- Repairing and maintaining sidewalks throughout the city
- Maintaining storm drains
- Providing a library that meets current health, safety, fire and seismic standards

**Q: How do I join the conversation?**

A: We'd like to hear you from you! Please join the conversation by completing a [community feedback form](#) today to share your views and let us know what community priorities you want the City to maintain and enhance.

**Q: Where can I get more information?**

A: We must continue to work together to maintain these services and will be updating the community and getting input over the coming months. For more information, visit [www.pleasanthillca.org/community](http://www.pleasanthillca.org/community). If you have any specific questions feel free to contact the City Manager's office at (925) 671-5229 or [citymanager@pleasanthillca.org](mailto:citymanager@pleasanthillca.org).