



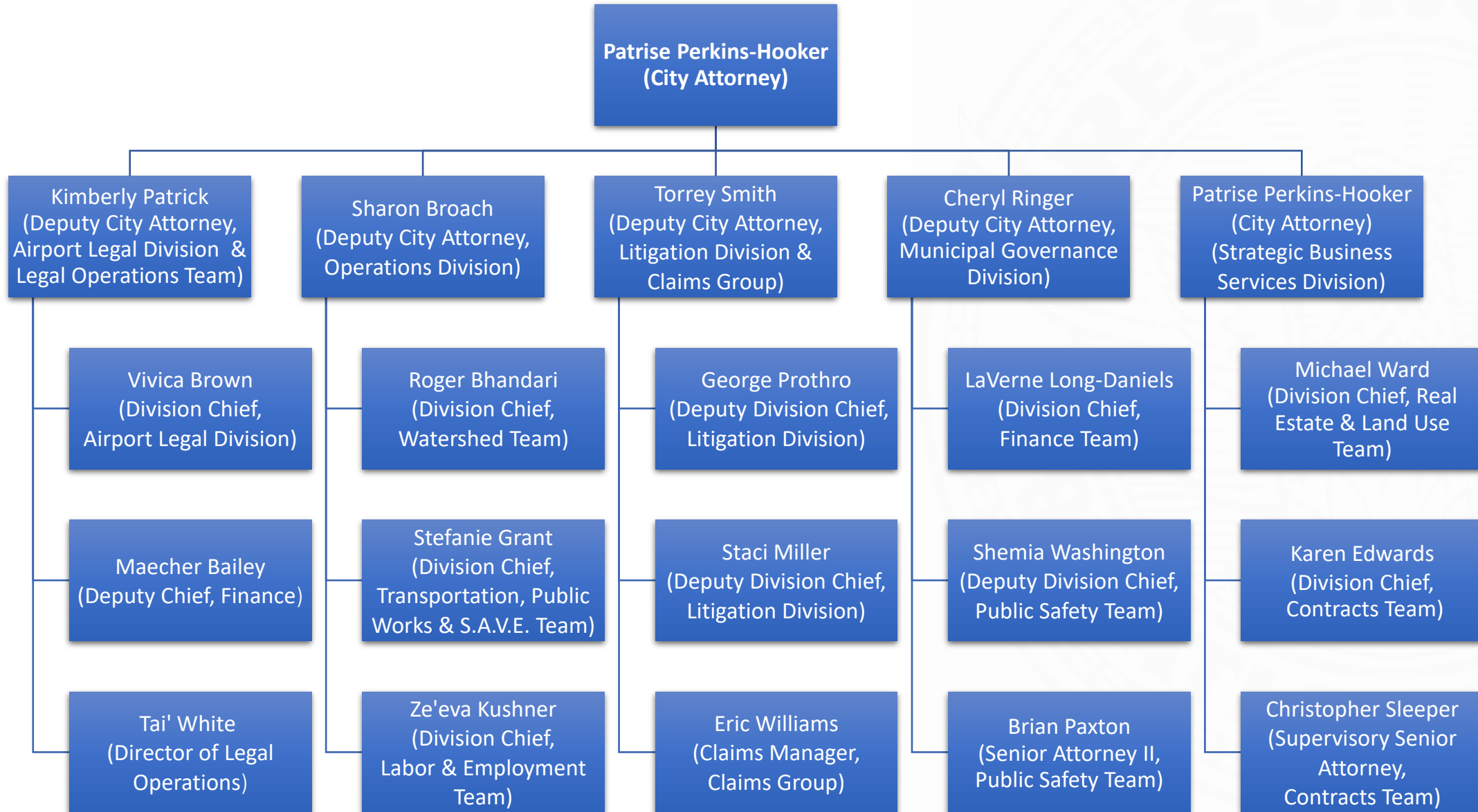
DEPARTMENT OF LAW

FY2026 PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW

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May 7, 2025

FY2026 Organizational Structure Chart



FY2026 Year in Review and Look Ahead



Current Accomplishments (FY25)

A City of Opportunity for All:

1. Participated in the summer internship program by hosting two high-school students, three college students and two law school students.
2. Volunteers participated in election activities on November 5, 2024, and the Mayor's Senior Wills Event on December 14, 2024, and April 12, 2025.
3. As part of the DOL's participation in the State Bar of Georgia's Diversity Program, the DOL was host to the High School Pipeline Program students for a panel discussion and luncheon where we introduced them to the practice of municipal law.

One Safe City:

1. Successfully defended challenges against the City regarding the construction of the Public Safety Training Center and the alleged impacts upon the local river.
2. Mediated and resolved compliance related disputes in the ongoing Calhoun Federal Consent Order which monitors interactions between the Atlanta Police Department and the community to ensure adherence to 4th Amendment principles.
3. Successfully completed negotiations with Atlanta Fire Rescue to finalize a collective bargaining agreement.

FY2026 Year in Review and Look Ahead



Current Accomplishments (FY25) cont'd.

A City Built for the Future:

1. The Professional Development Committee hosted its 11th annual Continuing Legal Education (“CLE”) seminar on March 7, 2025, and March 21, 2025. Attorneys earned 8 of the required 12 CLE annual hours.
2. Provided legal services on projects in support of the Mayor’s commitment to Housing and Development Initiatives.
3. Provided all legal services required for support activities regarding the widening of Concourse D.

Effective and Ethical Government:

1. Worked to support the efforts of the OIG and Ethics Taskforce and created legislation to improve the operations of this group.
2. The Labor and Employment Division provided advice and counsel to ensure that the implementation of the Class and Compensation Study changes complied with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), including the rollback of new and forthcoming changes to the FLSA in January 2025.

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FY26 What's New and Improved

1. Technology improvements to include an update to our Case/Document Management System and Monday.com which will allow staff to streamline work, increase productivity, manage projects and duties.
2. Implemented new judicial in rem procedures for code enforcement violations cases.
3. Drafted and introduced legislation to correct problems in special administrative permitting processes.

FY2026 Position Count By Fund (FTE)

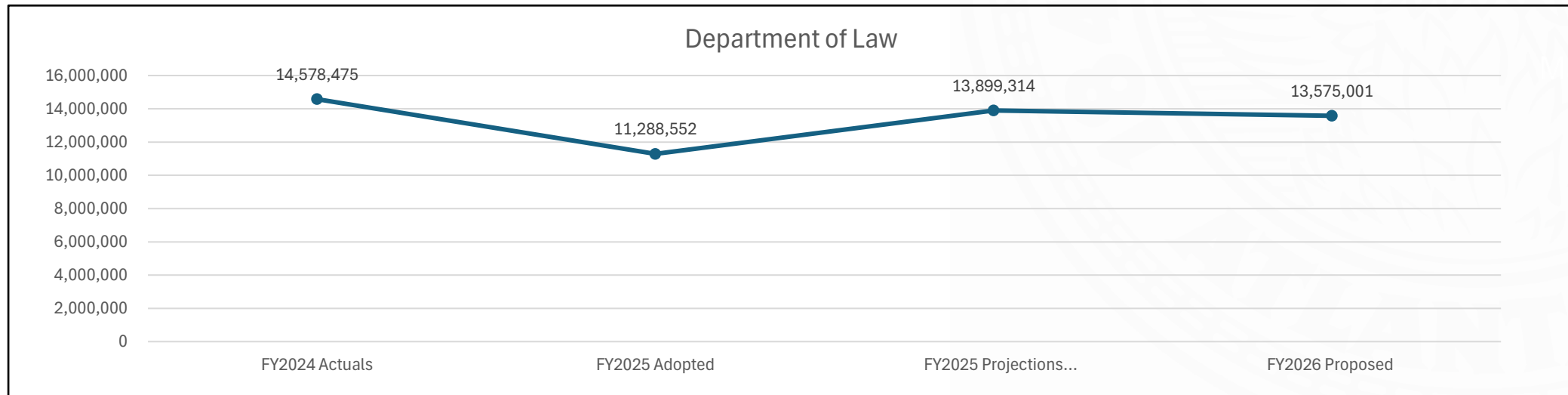


Headcount			
Fund	Filled	Vacant	Total
General Fund (1001)	34.44	4.70	39.14
Aviation Fund (5501)	14.49	2.81	17.30
Water & Wasterwater Fund (5051)	22.88	3.45	26.33
Aviation Renewal & Extension Fund (5502)	3.23	0.00	3.23
Total	75.04	10.96	86.00

FY2026 Proposed Budget (*General Fund*)



Department of Law						
	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Adopted	FY2025 Projections <i>(As of 2nd Quarter)</i>	FY2026 Proposed	Variance <i>(Proposed vs. Adopted)</i>	% Adopted Budget
General Fund						
Personnel Services and Employee Benefits	4,096,476	5,029,698	4,594,087	5,347,752	318,054	6%
Purchased/Contracted Services	10,396,350	6,203,846	9,216,988	8,130,817	1,926,971	31%
Supplies	65,804	44,508	67,649	77,436	32,928	74%
Other Costs	19,844	10,500	20,591	18,996	8,496	81%
Grand Total	14,578,475	11,288,552	13,899,314	13,575,001	2,286,449	20%





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