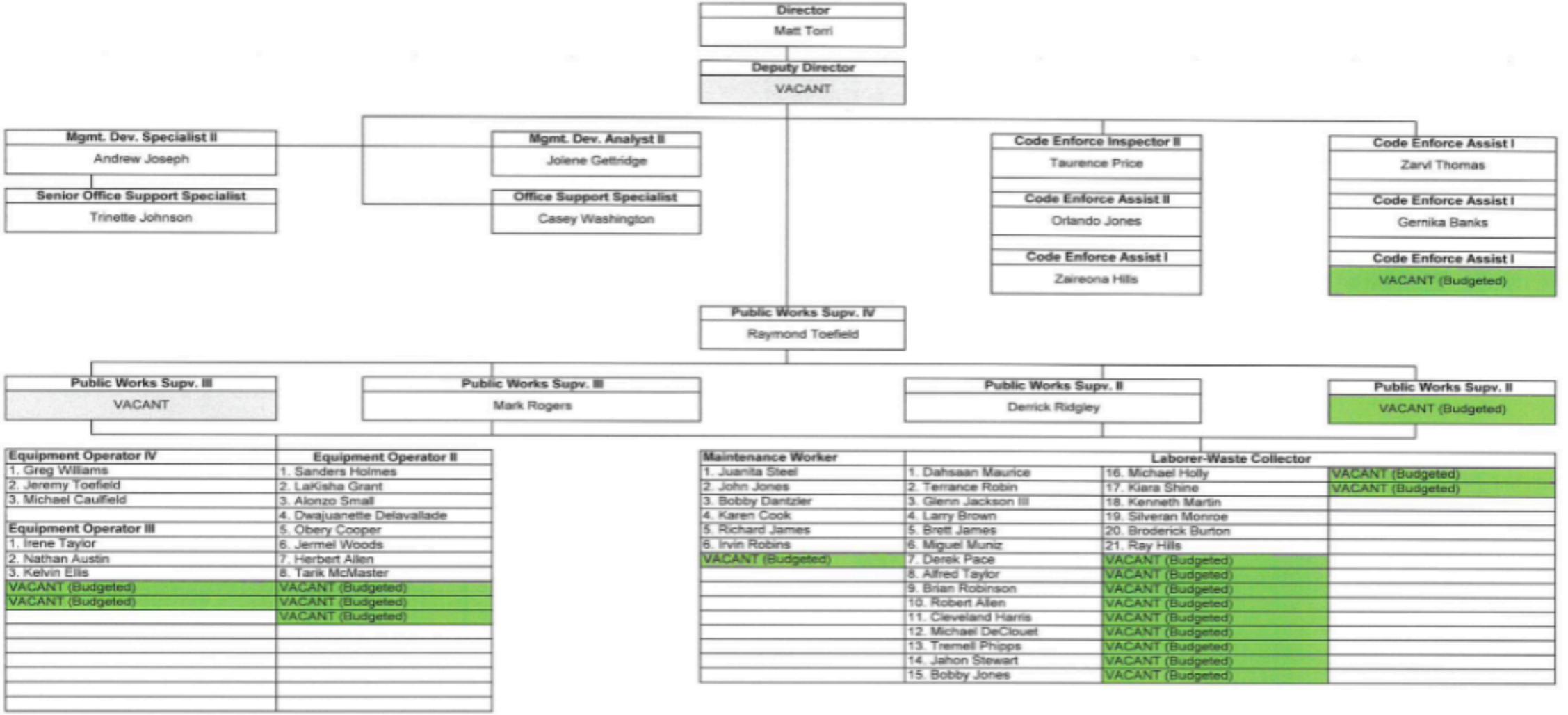
2027 Departmental Budget Presentation

Department of Sanitation

City of New Orleans

October 19, 2026

Organizational Chart



2027 Proposed Budget v. 2026 Adopted

General Fund

	Personnel	Other Operating	Total
2026 Adopted Budget	$4,136,620	$66,222,279	$70,358,899
2027 Proposed Budget	$1,677,894	$62,616,868	$64,294,762
Variance	($2,458,726)	($3,605,411)	($6,064,137)

Key Personnel Reductions of Proposed Budget

General Fund

- Reduction of 55 positions, representing 75% of Sanitation staffing.
- Elimination of enforcement capabilities.
- Reduced reporting, 311 case management, customer service.
- Transition from 7 days per week operations to 5 days per week.
- Limited services, extended response times, reduced cleanliness.

2027 Sanitation Personnel Schedule	
Adopted 2026 Positions	73
Proposed 2027 Position Reductions	(55)
Proposed 2027 Positions	**18**

Key Other Operating Reductions of Proposed Budget

General Fund

- Service location audit cost reductions.
- Weekly recycling drop-off, quarterly shred days, annual hazardous waste day, city facility recycling (including glass).
- Recycling cart purchases.
- Mardi Gras & special event clean-up.
- Area 5 (French Quarter) enhanced services.





Key Components of Proposed 2027 Budget

General Fund

Personnel

- 18 positions (Administration, Enforcement, Field Operations).

Other Operating

- Curbside solid waste & recycling collection.
- Landfill disposal.
- City facility solid waste collection.
- Regulatory compliance.

Budget Efficiencies

Departments undertook significant budget efficiency efforts in 2026 as part of the City's improved fiscal management.

- Streamlined field operations have mitigated impact of reduced staffing on key performance metrics.
- Optimized work assignments have reduced overtime demand.
- Transitioned supplemental Interstate highway sweeping and mowing cycles to LADOTD.
- Recycling cart donations via curbside collection contractors.
- Reset sanitation fee to reduce structural deficit, impact on General Fund.

2027 Goals

- Provide core sanitation services (litter removal, public trash receptacle collection).
- Deliver exceptional curbside solid waste and recycling collection services.
- Operationalize Illegal Dumping Strike Force, providing immediate relief to neighborhoods.
- Ensure emergency debris response readiness.