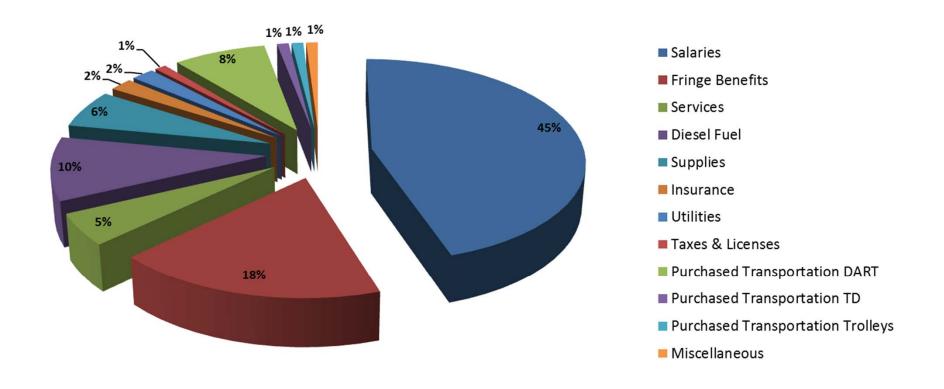


# FISCAL YEAR 2016 PERSONNEL ASSUMPTIONS

Planning Committee April 15, 2015

#### Personnel Costs Approximate 63% of costs

#### **2016 Draft Tentative Budget Expenditures**



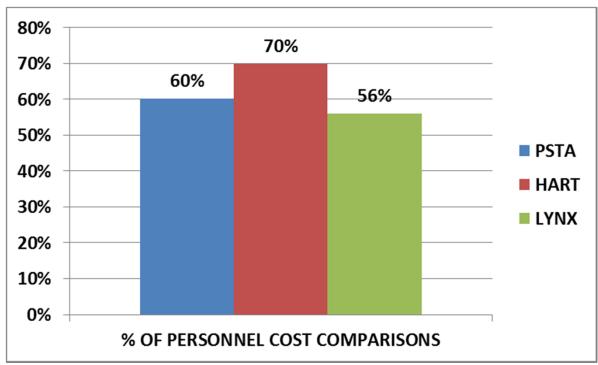
#### Personnel Components

- Personnel expenditures are made up of
  - Salaries
  - Fringe Benefits
- The major components of fringe benefits are:
  - Health insurances, Pension, Social Security, Medicare, and Workers' compensation.



### Comparison of PSTA to Others

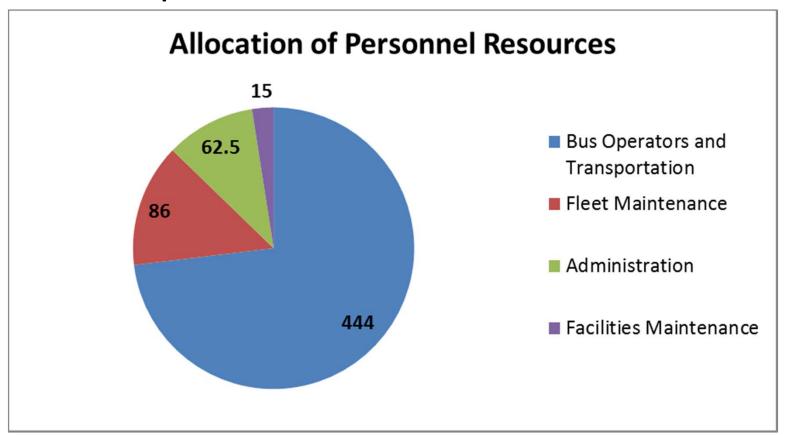
 In the public transit industry PSTA compares favorably in percent of personnel to total costs.





#### Allocation of Personnel Resources

 The largest group of employees at PSTA are our Bus Operators.





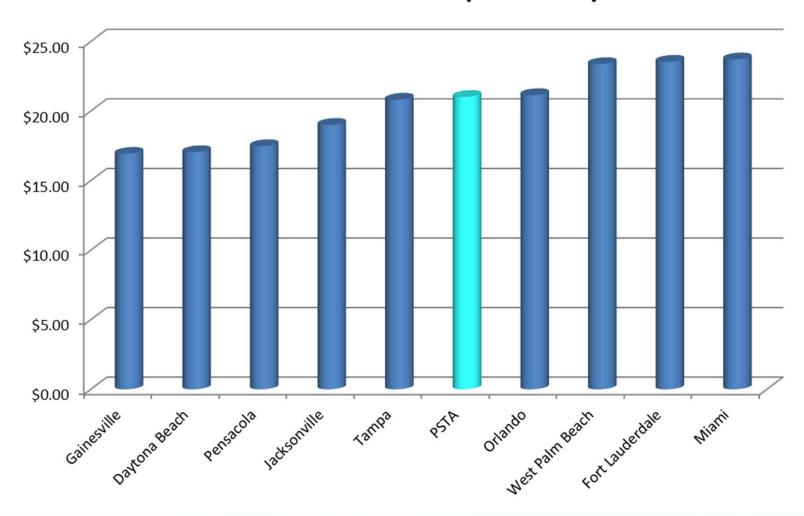
### **PSTA Labor Agreements Drive Costs**

- TBATWU Operators/Mechanics/Facility Maintenance/CSRs
  - 478 Covered PSTA Positions
  - 3 Yr. Agreement Expires 9/30/2015
  - Last 3 Years: 1% Per Year + Steps + Perf. Bonus
  - Possible Membership Vote to Change to SEIU.
- **SEIU** 1<sup>st</sup>-Line Supervisors
  - 29 Covered Positions
  - New 3 Yr. Agreement As of 10/1/2014
  - Wages Float 5% Above TBATWU



### **Bus Operator Pay Comparison**

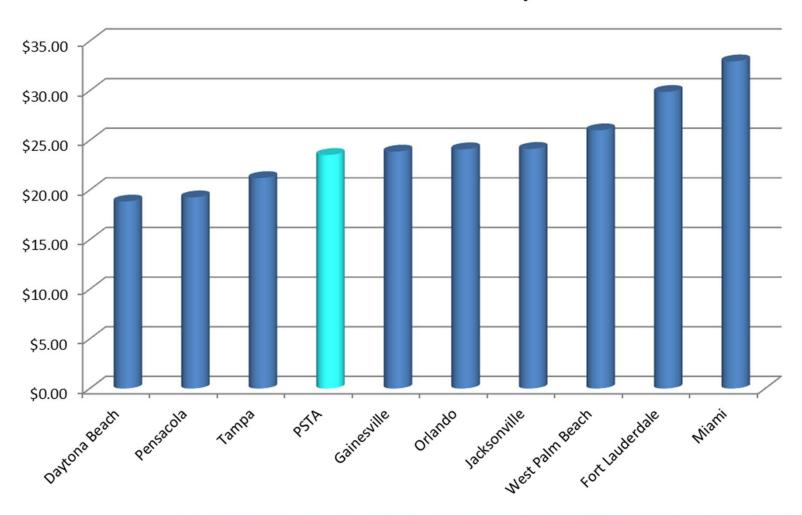
#### Florida Public Transit Bus Operator Top Rates





### Mechanic Pay Comparison

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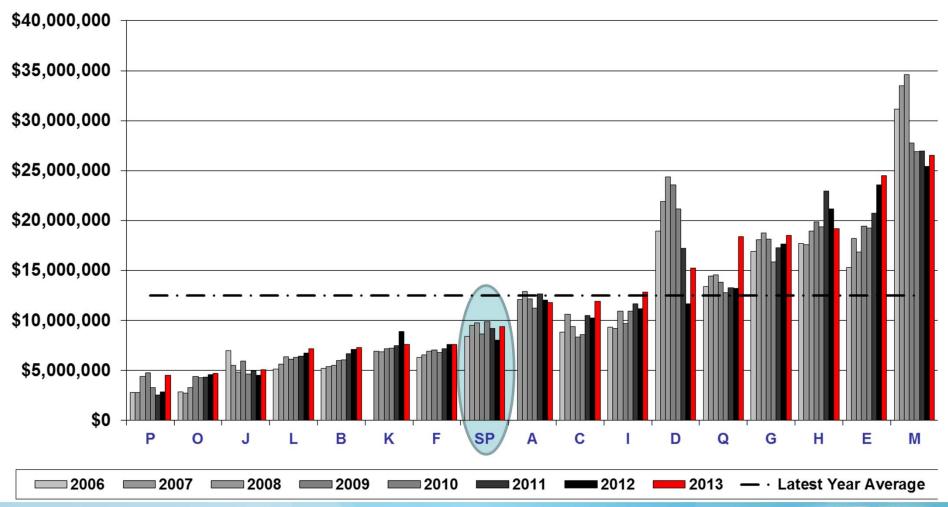
#### FY2016 Budget Assumptions

- Labor Negotiations this Summer will be managed within FY2016 and future budget assumptions.
- 2014 National Average Transit Labor Settlements: The average was 2% for wage growth.
- PSTA Administrative Adjustment Assumptions: 3% Merit Average (no lump sum).



#### **PSTA Overhead Costs are Low**

#### **Administration & Other Overhead Costs**





#### Personnel Assumptions

- Personnel costs are forecast to increase 3.3% in FY 16 and 3.5% from FY 17 - FY 20.
- This assumes an average 3% merit based adjustment for administrative employees.

### Accounting for Attrition

- Natural attrition leads to cost savings through temporarily vacant positions. In FY 16 this will be accounted for when we prepare the budget.
- PSTA's average position vacancy rate for the last 6 years is less than 1% and FY 16 budget assumption is 1%.



### Fringe Benefits

- The largest components of the fringe benefit costs are the employer contribution to the Florida Pension System and health insurance.
- Fringe Benefits, primarily due to health insurance, are forecast to increase 7% in FY 2016. The Gehring Group, our health insurance broker, has provided this forecast.

### Florida Retirement System (FRS)

- The State Legislature establishes the employer contribution rates for the FRS.
- Good news the State actuarial report as of June 2014 indicates that rates may not need to be adjusted in 2016.
- The contribution rates will be announced at the end of the legislative session.
- The current contributions are forecast to be stable at \$2.2 million, the same as FY 2015.



#### Health Insurance

- PSTA's portion of the premiums are forecast to be \$5.5 million in FY 16, representing an increase of 7%.
- There are three options that staff has explored:
  - Maintain being fully insured
  - Self Insured
  - Minimum Premium Arrangement (this is a hybrid of fully insured and self insured)
  - Staff recommends remaining fully insured, at this time as it is the most cost effective and best for the employee.



#### In Summary

- Personnel is PSTA's biggest cost driver.
- We expect to be within the budget assumptions.
- Labor negotiations are our greatest uncertainty.



## QUESTIONS

