



DEBT AFFORDABILITY STUDY

FY25 Budget Update

August 21, 2024

What is the Debt Affordability Study?

*The Debt Affordability Study is a **tool** to help explain the **relative impact** of borrowing over time and **help guide** decision-making*

- Concept of “affordability” vs. “capacity”
- Established ratios that help guide the way we manage debt
- Budget Update report forecasts ratios into the future
 - Includes borrowings proposed by the Mayor’s budget and borrowing assumptions for future years
- How much we program to borrow depends on our ability and willingness to make the required debt service payments



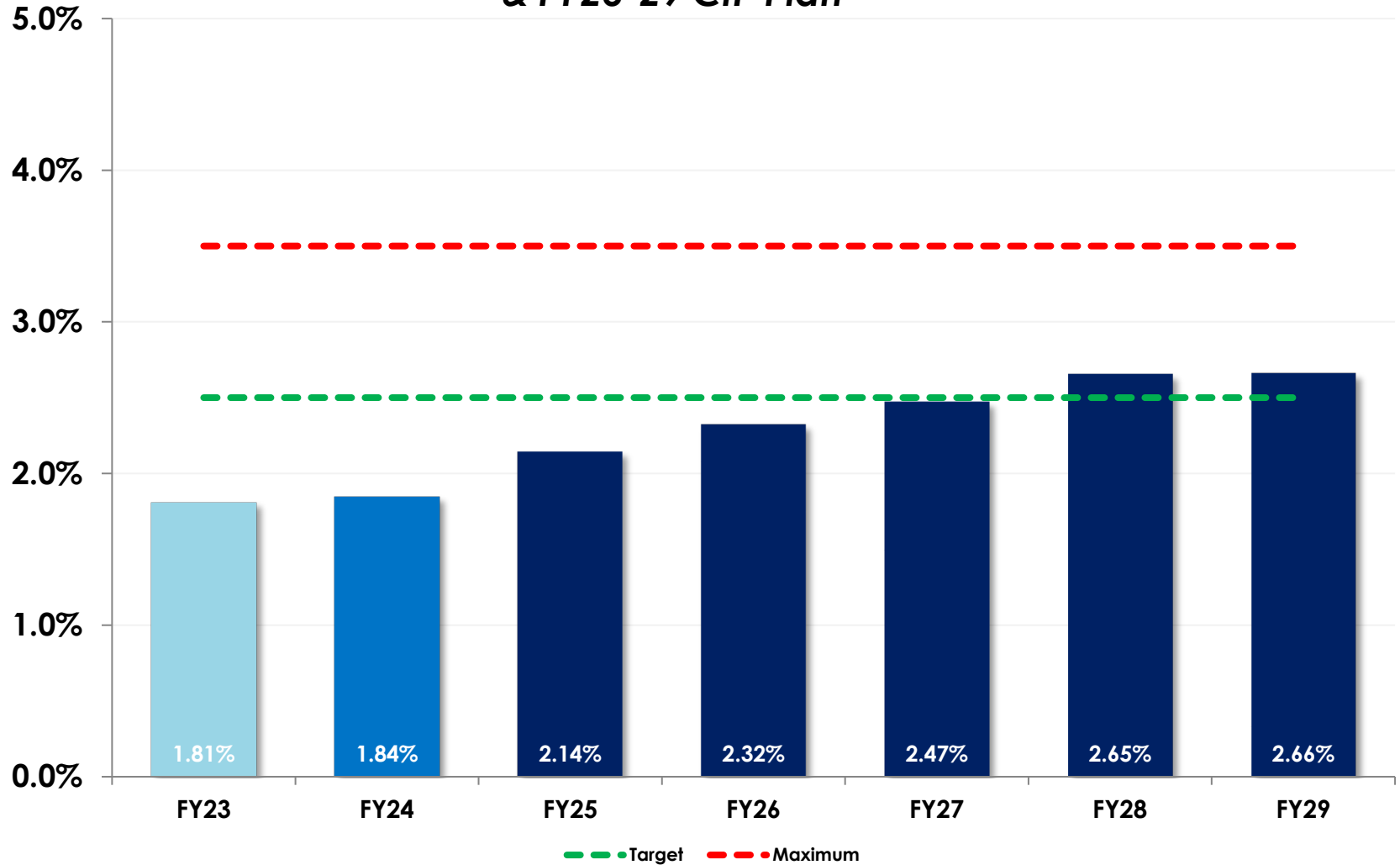
Overview of this Year's Study

- Currently, all debt ratios are within targets and minimums/maximums due to:
 - Fiscally responsible budgets over several years
 - Continued strong operating performance
 - Robust local economy and tax revenue
 - Continued growth in tax rolls
 - Continuing to pay down debt and only borrow to cover expenses
 - Strategic refinancing of higher cost debt to lower interest rates
- Going forward, our conservative assumptions related to borrowing against authorizations impacts some ratios. However, it should be remembered that we will only borrow once spending occurs.



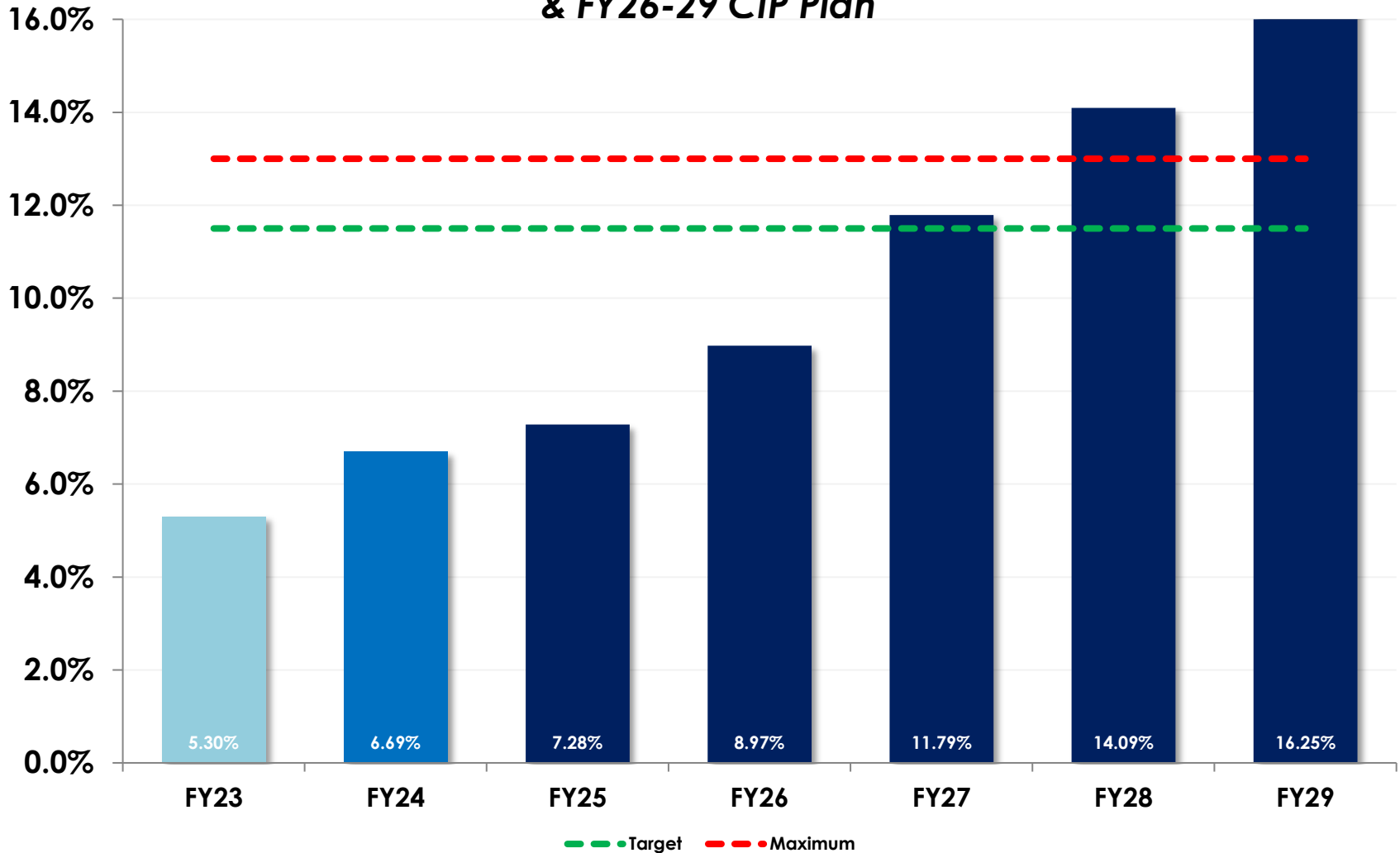
Overall Debt as % of Full Market Value

*Including Forecasted Borrowing for Proposed FY25 Authorization
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GSD Debt Service as % of GSD Revenues

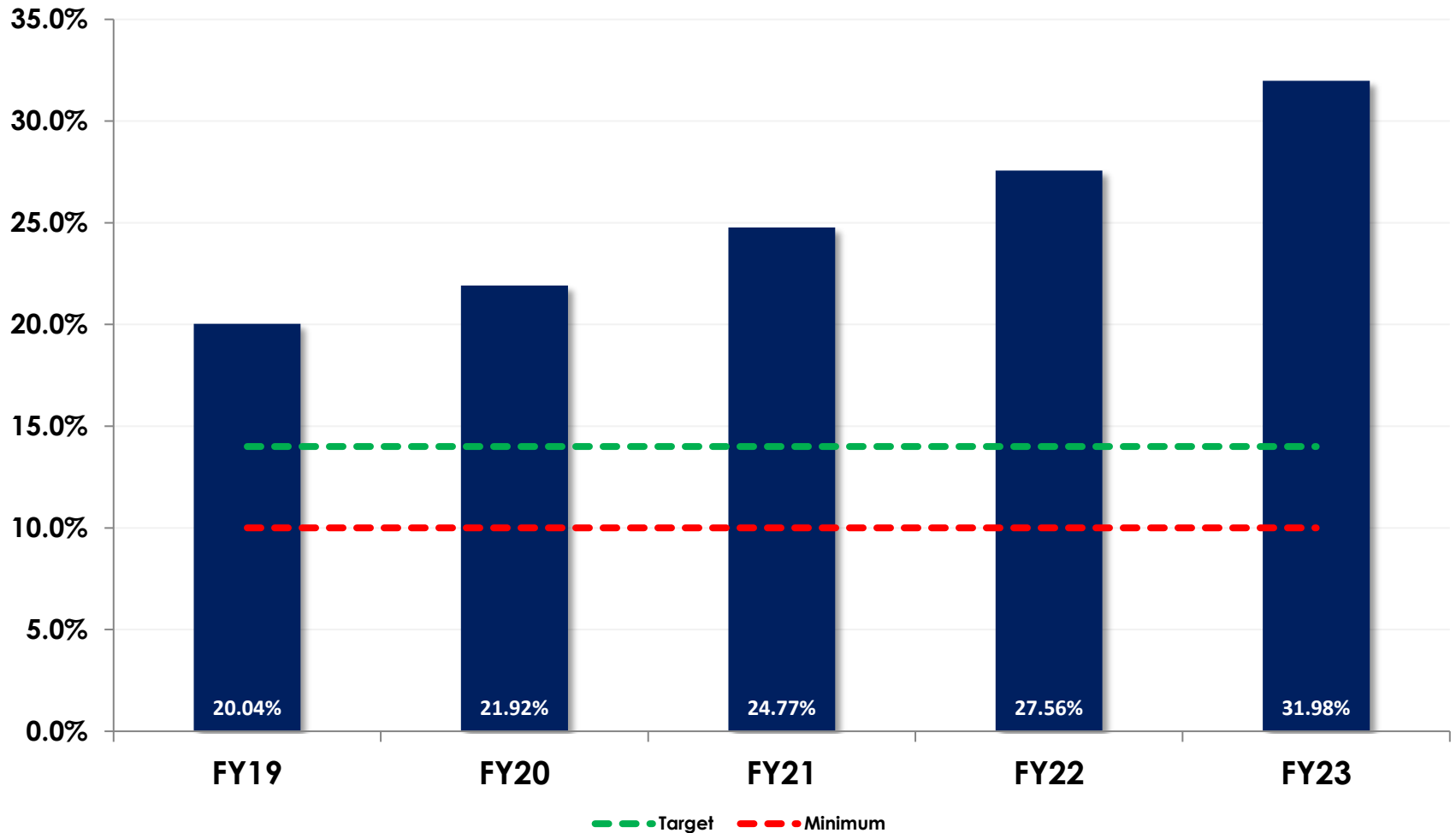
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Unassigned GF/GSD Balance as % of Revenues

Including Emergency Reserves

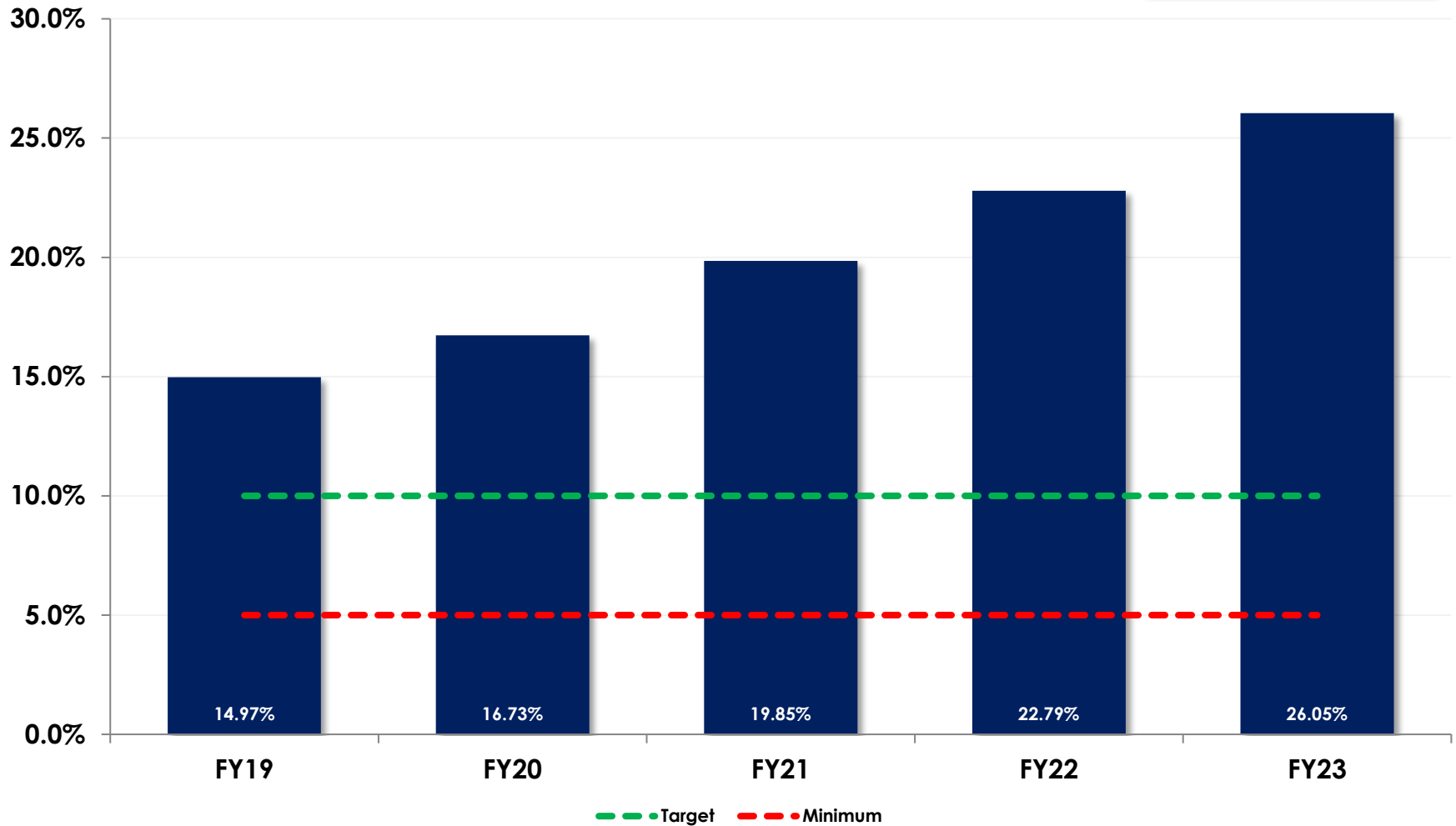
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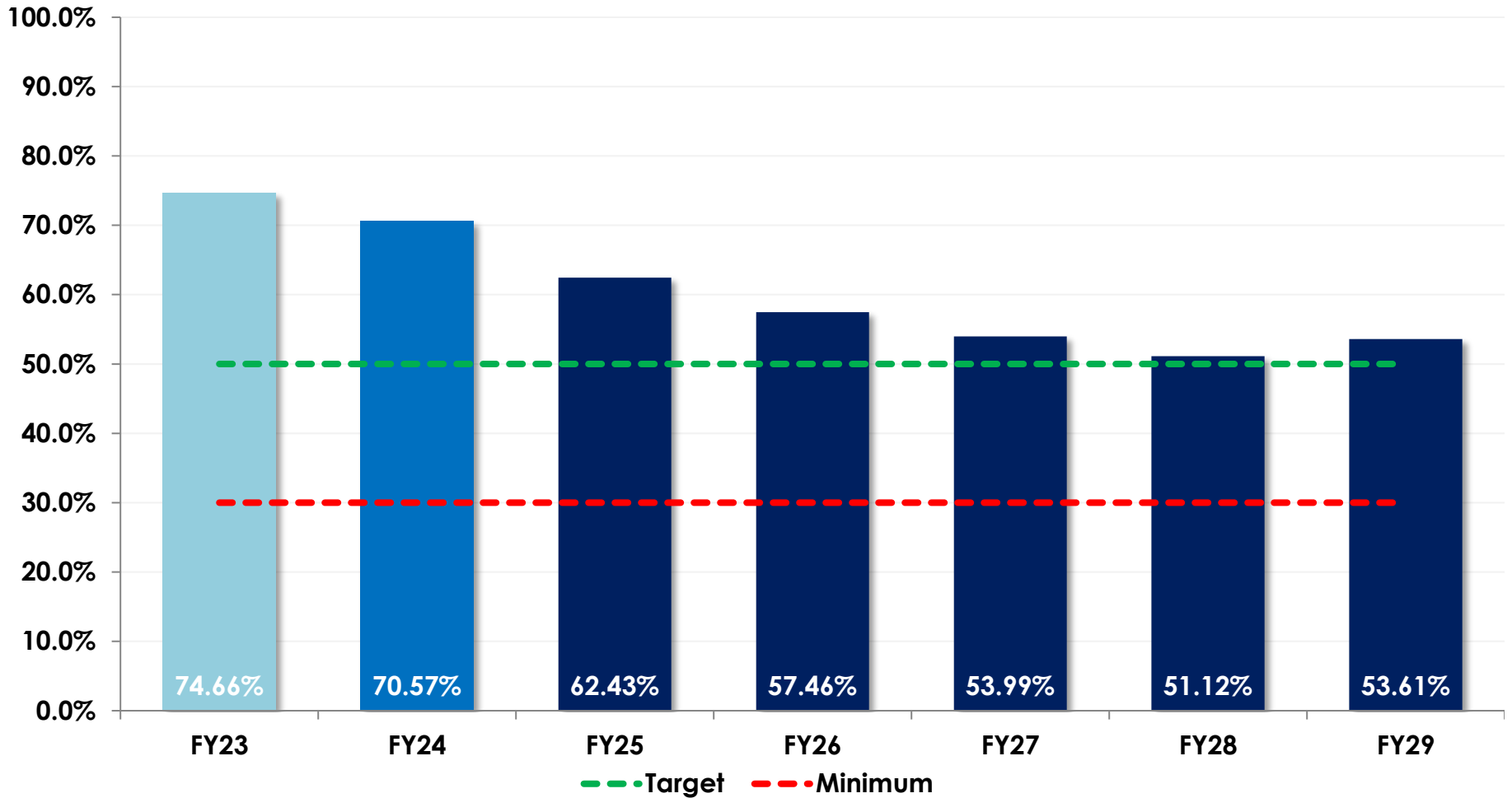
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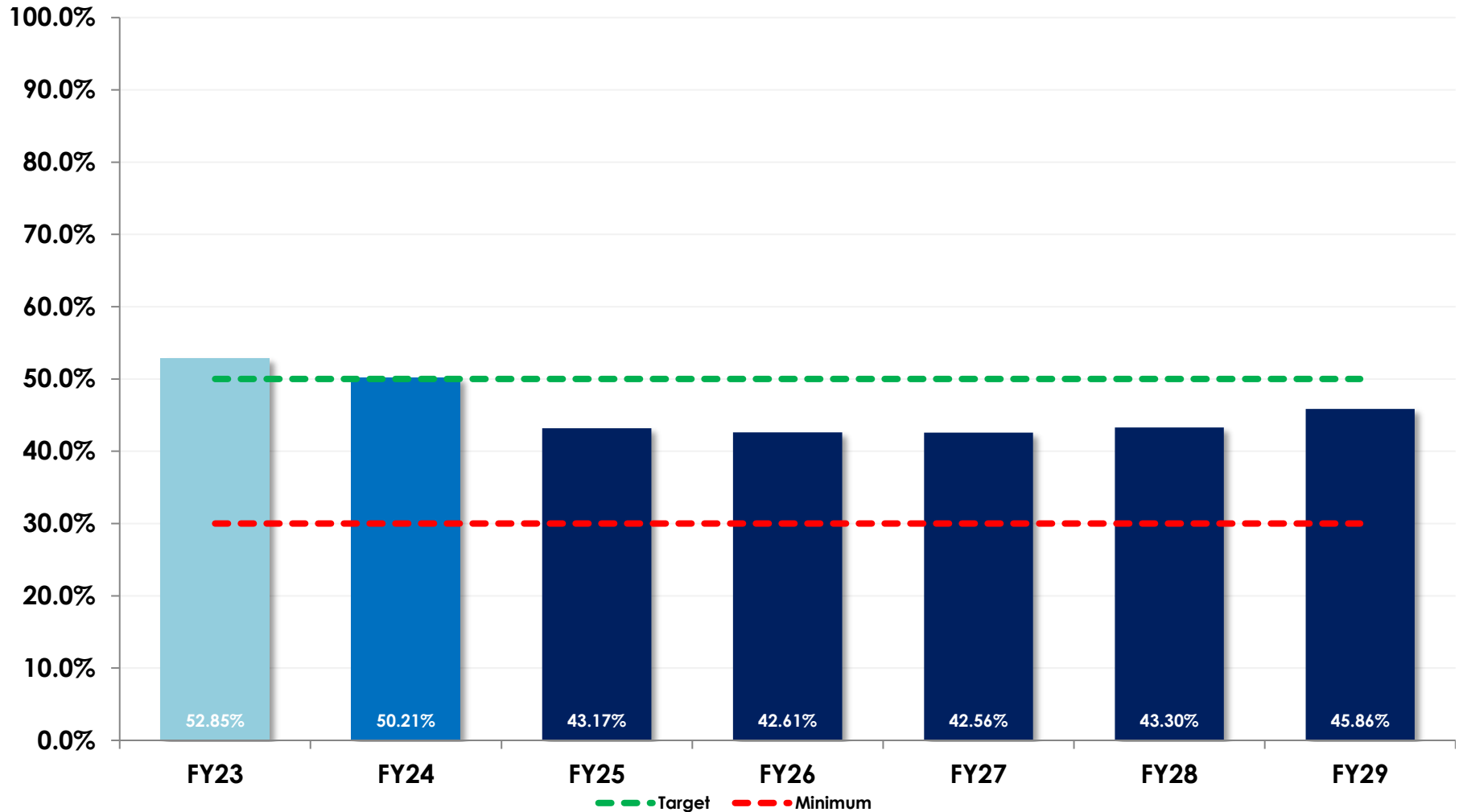
Ten Year Principal Paydown – All City Debt

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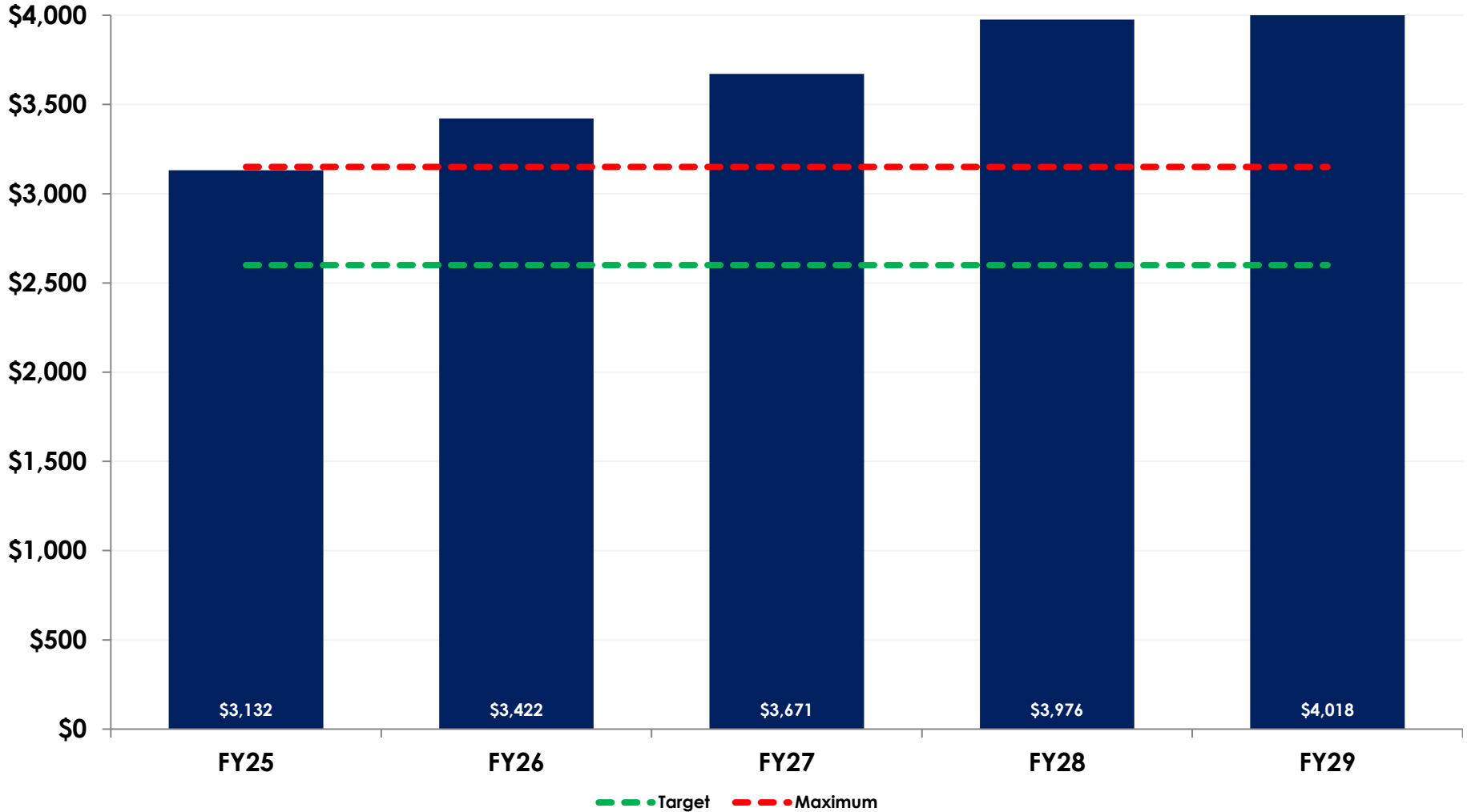
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Debt Per Capita

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Debt Affordability Ratios - Snapshot

Measure	FY24	Target	Maximum	Minimum	Direction
Overall Net Debt as % of Full Market Value	1.84%	2.5%	3.5%	N/A	Lower is better
GSD Debt Service as % of GSD Revenues	6.69%	11.5%	13.0%	N/A	Lower is better
Unassigned GF Balance as % of GSD Revenues (incl. Emergency Reserves) ¹	31.98%	14.0%	N/A	10.0%	Higher is better
Unassigned GF Balance as % of GSD Revenues (excl. Emergency Reserves) ¹	26.05%	10.0%	N/A	5.0%	Higher is better
Ten Year Principal Paydown – All City Debt	70.57%	50.0%	N/A	30.0%	Higher is better
Ten Year Principal Paydown – GSD Debt	50.21%	50.0%	N/A	30.0%	Higher is better
Debt Per Capita	\$2,674	\$2,600	\$3,150	N/A	Lower is better

¹ Since reserve balances will not be known until FY End, the FY23 values are provided for these measures

The City's debt ratios matter, but do not guarantee a strong credit rating



City/ County Comparison

City/County	Current Rating ⁴	Overall Net Debt as % of Full Mkt Val.	Implied GSD Debt Service as % of Operating Exp. ¹	Ten Year Principal Paydown – All Debt ²	Debt Per Capita	Available GF Balance as % of Revenues ³
Jacksonville, FL	AA	1.8%	6.7%	70.6%	\$2,674	32.5%
Broward County, FL	AAA	0.4%	1.9%	100.0%	2,817	20.4%
Hillsborough County, FL	AAA	0.5%	3.0%	29.4%	1,056	21.6%
Miami-Dade County, FL	AA	1.2%	8.4%	34.5%	7,312	8.4%
Charlotte, NC	AAA	1.0%	10.2%	78.1%	6,127	13.7%
Portland, OR	AA+	0.6%	4.1%	69.2%	4,868	13.1%
Seattle, WA	AAA	0.4%	3.5%	62.3%	8,155	14.8%

Note: For general comparison only. Jacksonville data is provided by the City of Jacksonville. All other data is sourced from Moody's Investors Service except for comparative ratings, which have been provided by S&P. The most recent available data has been used. The accuracy of data provided, as well as direct comparability to Jacksonville data, cannot be guaranteed as there can be a lack of uniformity among ratio composition and accounting methods. Certain Jacksonville metrics are not shown due to availability of comparable data.

¹ Data available from Moody's is Debt Service as % of Operating Expenses, so the Jacksonville metric was modified for a more appropriate comparison; Moody's revised its methodology to reflect Available GF Balance from GF Balance in 2022

² Data reflected as of prior year's debt-affordability report for illustrative purposes.

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⁴ Current Ratings available from S&P.

