

Table 4

ESTIMATED RANGE OF PRIVATIZATION COST SAVINGS		
Public Service Category	Expected Savings Range	
	Lower %	Upper %
Public Works and Physical Environment		
Solid Waste Collection: Residential	22	30
Solid Waste Collection: Commercial	22	30
Solid Waste Disposal	22	30
Street Repair	25	50
Street/Parking Lot Cleaning	15	39
Meter Maintenance/installation	15	33
Tree Trimming/Planting	16	35
Cemetery Management & Maintenance	15	33
Inspection & Code Enforcement	10	25
Parking Lot/Garage Operation	14	31
Recycling Solid Waste	8	30
Wastewater Treatment	8	30
Flood Control	8	30
Conservation & Resource Management	10	25
Utility Meter Reading	10	25
Utility Billing	10	25
Street Light Operation	10	25
Gas Utility	10	25
Water Utility	10	25
Transportation		
Road/Street Operation/Maintenance Repair	25	50
Airport Management/Control Tower	15	40
Bridge Operation/Maintenance	15	40
Port & Water Operations	15	40
Rail Transit Systems Operation/Maintenance	20	60
Bus Transit Operation/Maintenance	20	60
Traffic Signal Maintenance/Installation	20	60
Fleet Management/Maintenance: Heavy Equipment	20	40
Fleet Management/Maintenance: Emergency Vehicles	20	40
Fleet Management/Maintenance: All Other Vehicles	20	40
Education		
Crime Prevention or Patrols	20	55
Police/Fire Communication	20	40
Fire Prevention	17	40
Emergency Medical Services	28	77
Ambulance Service & Rescue	24	66
Traffic Control/Parking Enforcement	20	50
Vehicle Towing & Storage	15	40
Correction Facilities Management	13	40
Adjudication	10	25
Protective Inspections	10	25
Consumer Protection Services	10	25
Air/Sea Rescue	20	40

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Health & Human Services		
Sanitary Inspections	10	40
Insect/Rodent Control	10	40
Animal Control	10	40
Animal Shelter Operations	10	40
Operation/Management of Day-Care Facilities	10	40
Child Welfare Program Management	10	40
Elderly Program Management	10	40
Operation/Management of Public Housing	10	40
Operation/Management of Hospitals	20	55
Public Health Program Management	10	40
Drug/Alcohol Treatment Programs	10	40
Operation/management of Mental Health Facilities	10	40
Educational Services	10	40
Nursing Home & Special Services Management	10	40
Parks & Recreation/Cultural Arts		
Recreation Services	19	52
Recreation Facilities Operation/Management	19	52
Park Landscaping & Maintenance	10	28
Cultural Arts Operations	10	28
Convention Center/Auditorium Operations	13	35
Operation of Libraries	13	35
General Government & Support Services		
Building/Ground Maintenance	30	42
Building Security	34	59
Payroll	0	36
Tax Bill Processing	21	36
Tax Assessing	21	36
Data Processing	23	40
Delinquent Tax Collection	18	30
Legal Services	18	30
Secretarial Services	15	25
Personnel Services	15	25
Labor Relations	8	24
Public Relations/Information Services	8	24
Cafeteria/Food Service Management	21	36
Grant Administration	8	24
Law Library	8	24
Property Control	18	30

State Privatization Programs

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