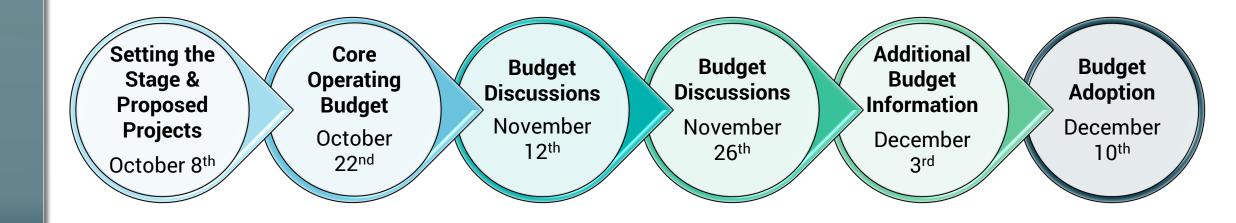
Additional Budget Information



Budget 2025 Schedule









Agenda

Historical Budget Trends Current Trends

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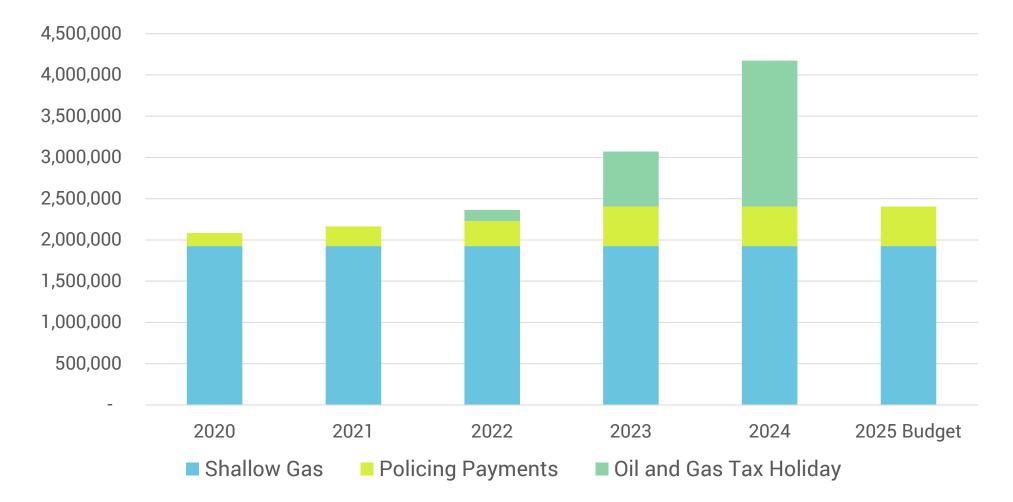
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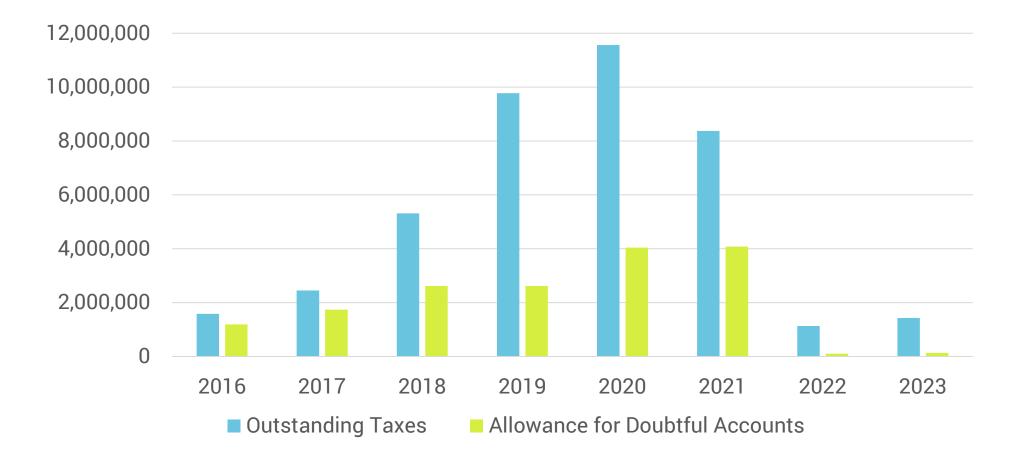


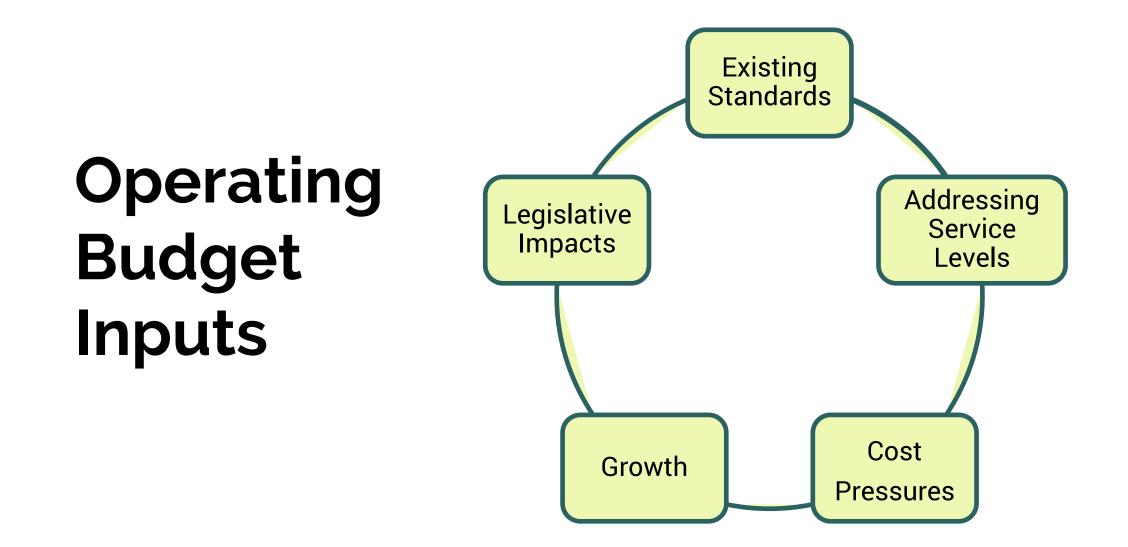
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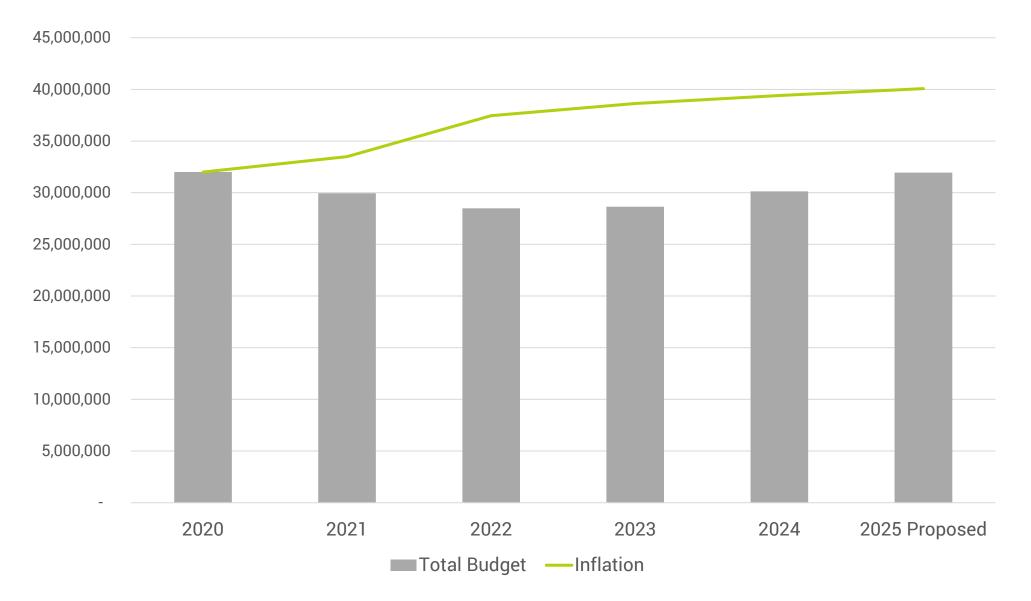


History of Outstanding Taxes and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

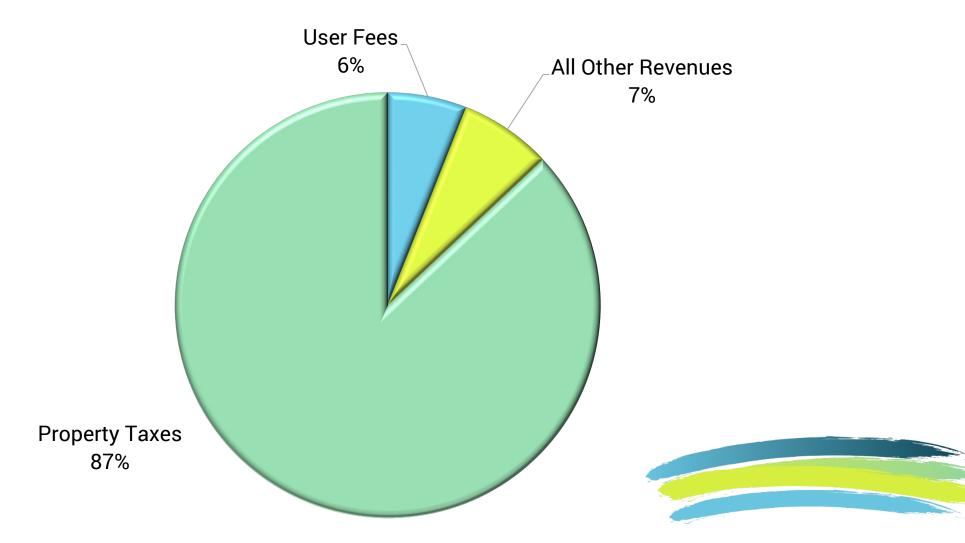




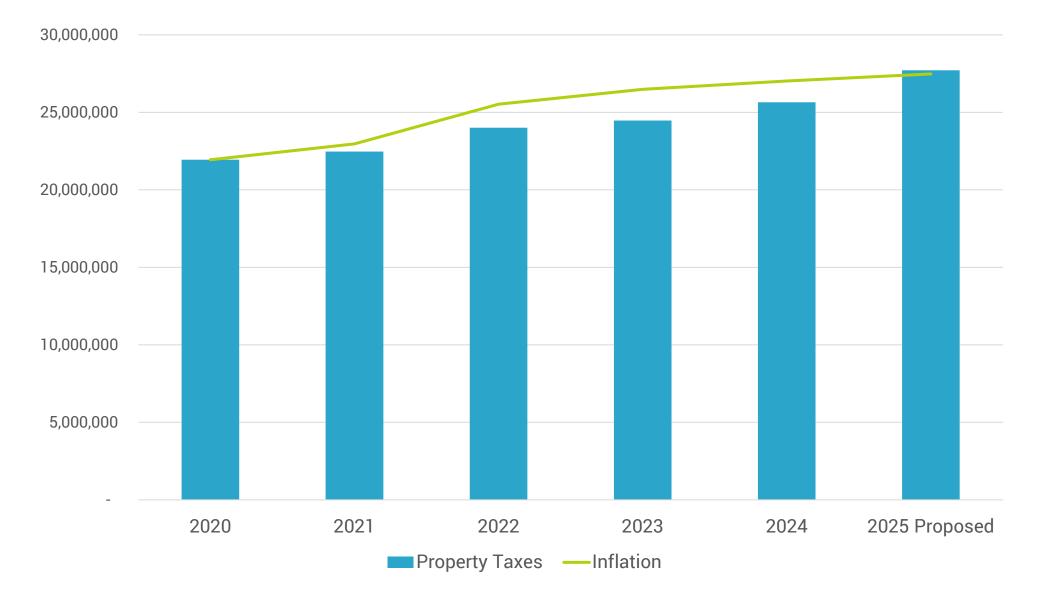
Budget vs Inflation – All



Revenue Sources



Property Taxes vs Inflation

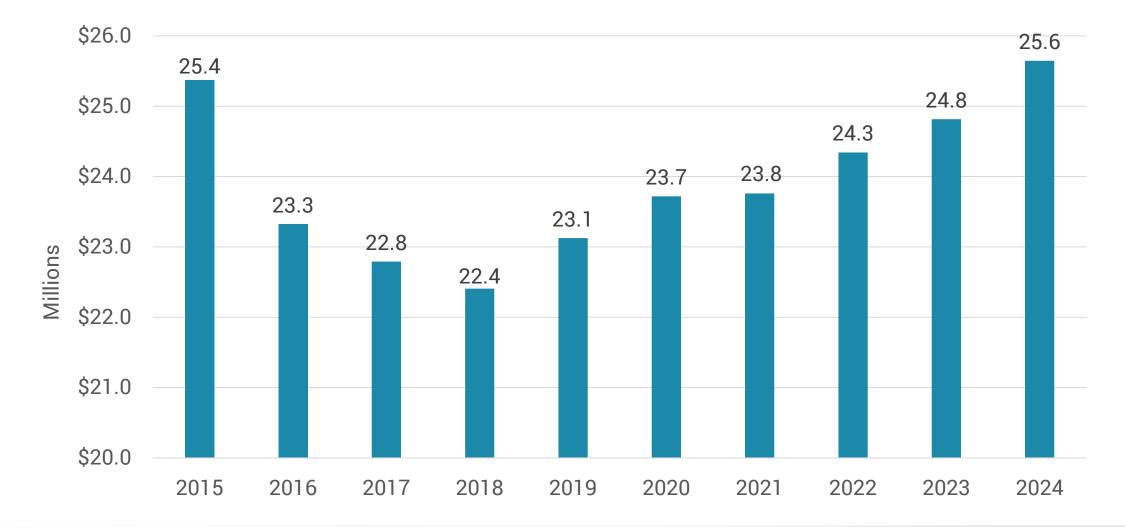


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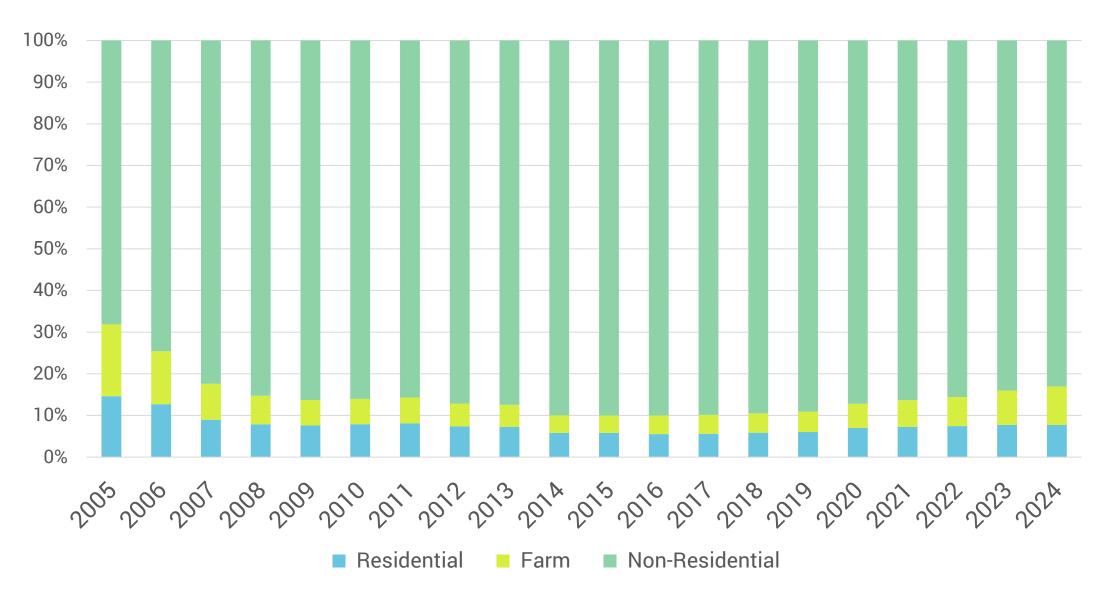
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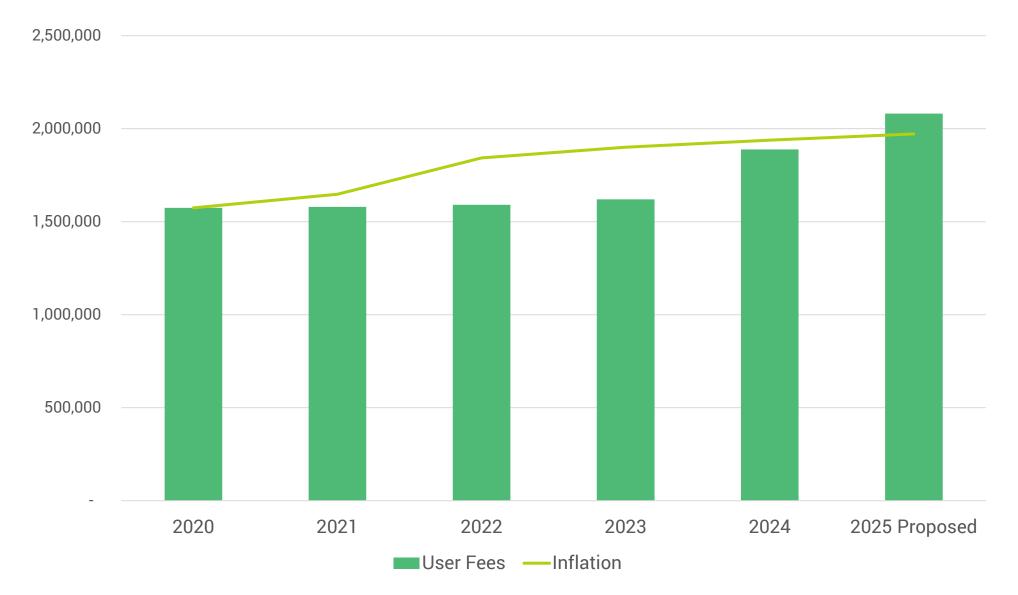
Tax Levy 2015-2024 (Millions)



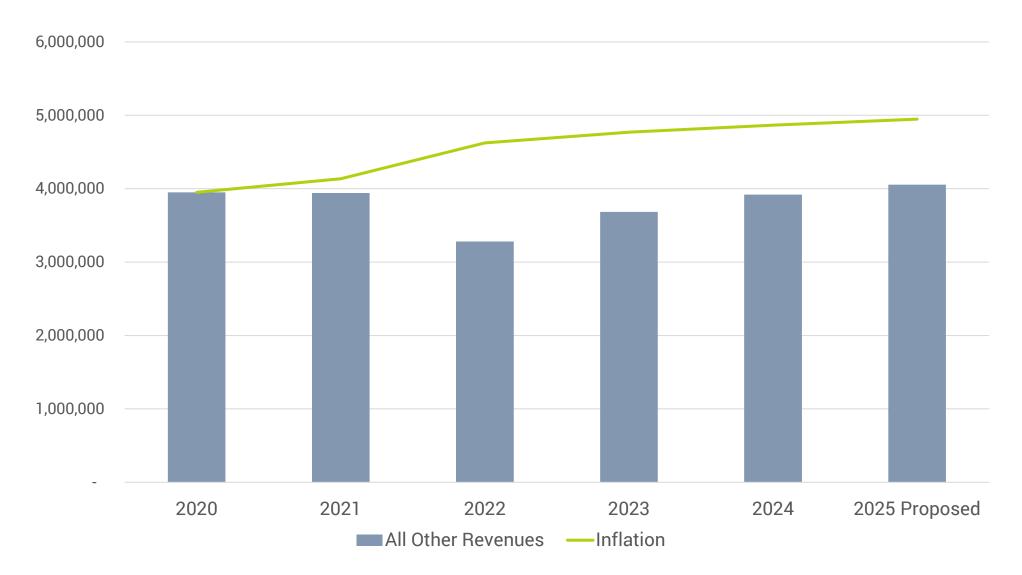
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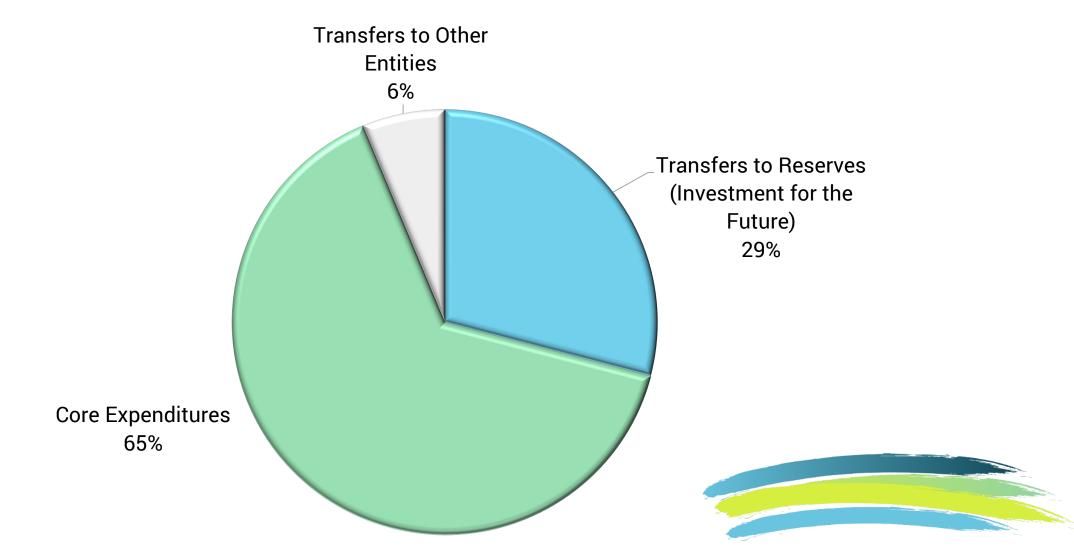
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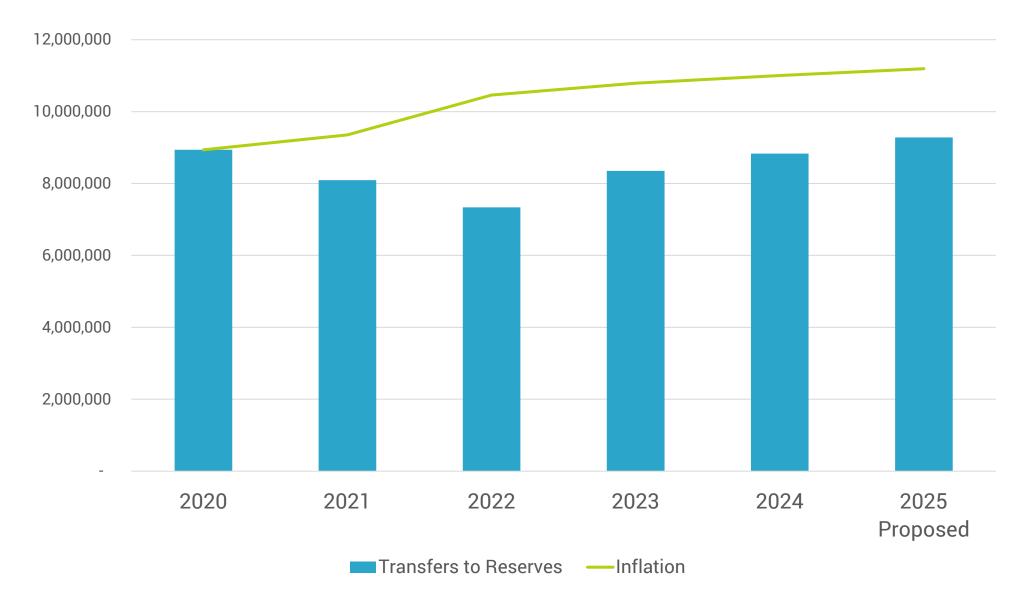
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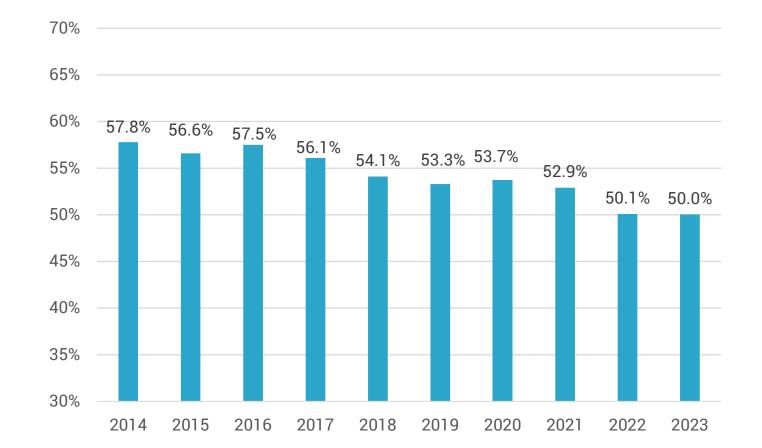
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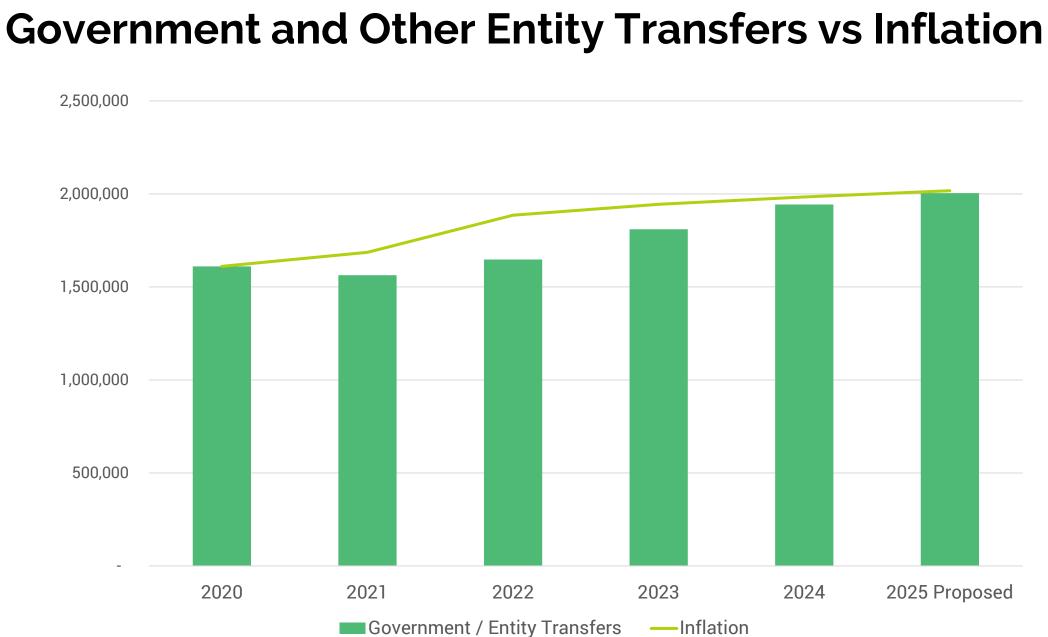
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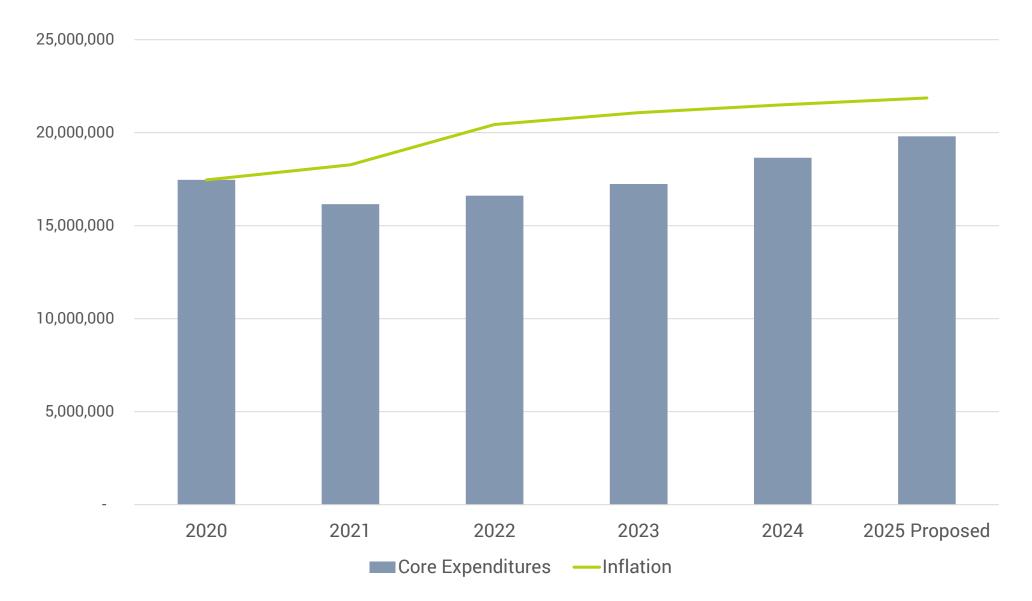
Percentage of Assets Remaining **Based on** Original Costs



The County's average annual amortization is approximately \$6.0 million



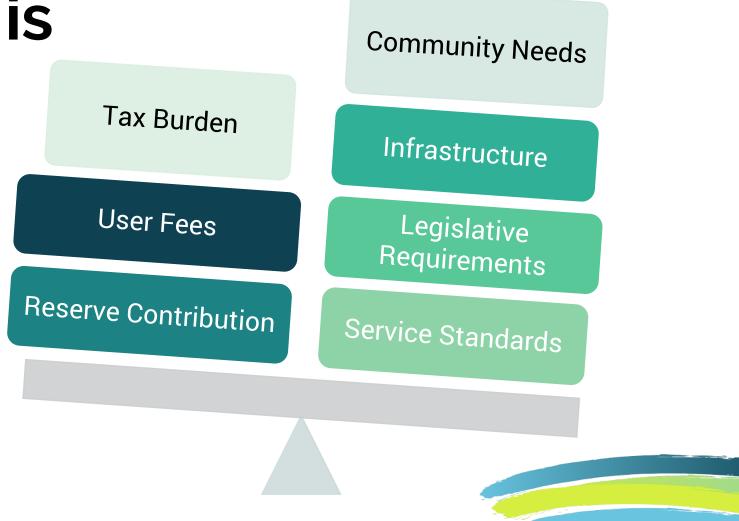
Core Expenditures vs Inflation



Core Budget to Actual Year-End Variances



The Budget is a Balancing Act



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Notable Budget Pressures

 Inflationary impacts show signs of stabilizing

Global

 Assessment
Model Review
(Depreciation Impacts)

Mature Asset
Strategy

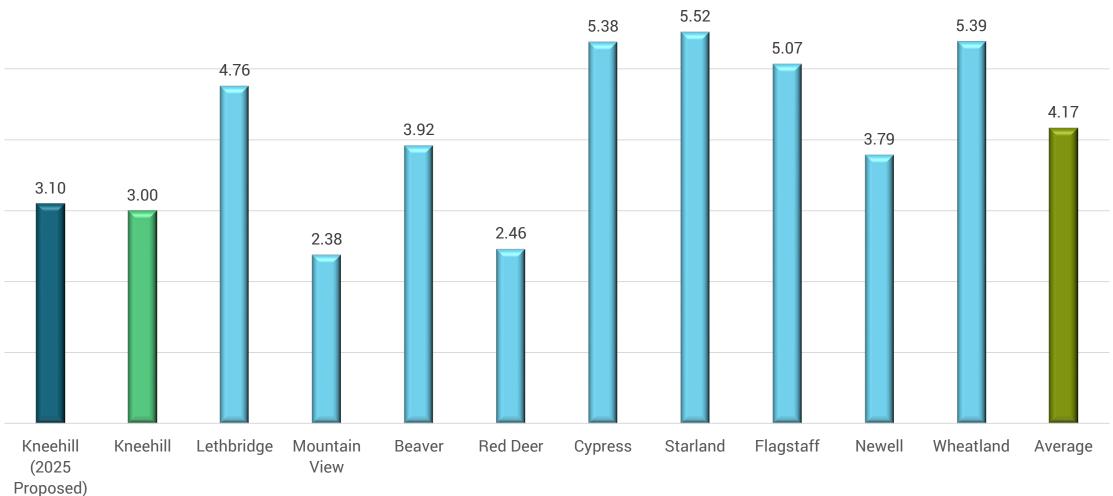
Provincial

- Growth Trends
- Infrastructure Deficit (TBD)

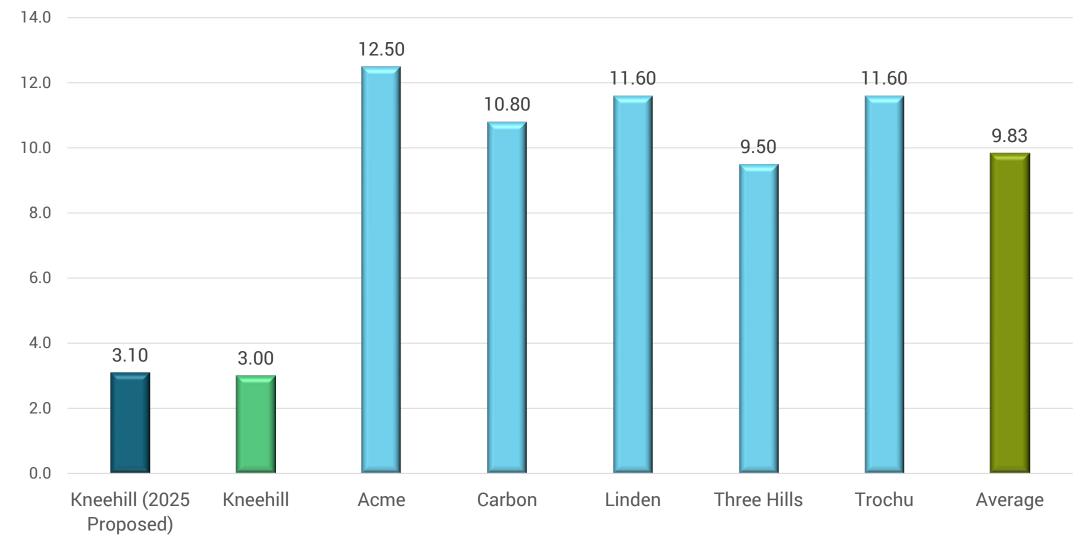
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2024 Residential Tax Rates (Counties)

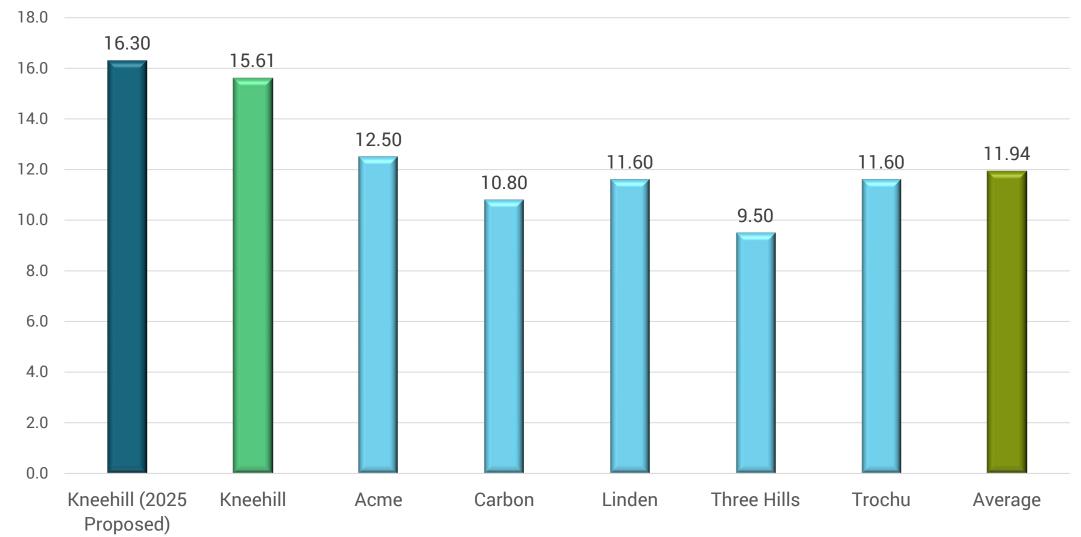


2024 Residential Tax Rates (Urbans)

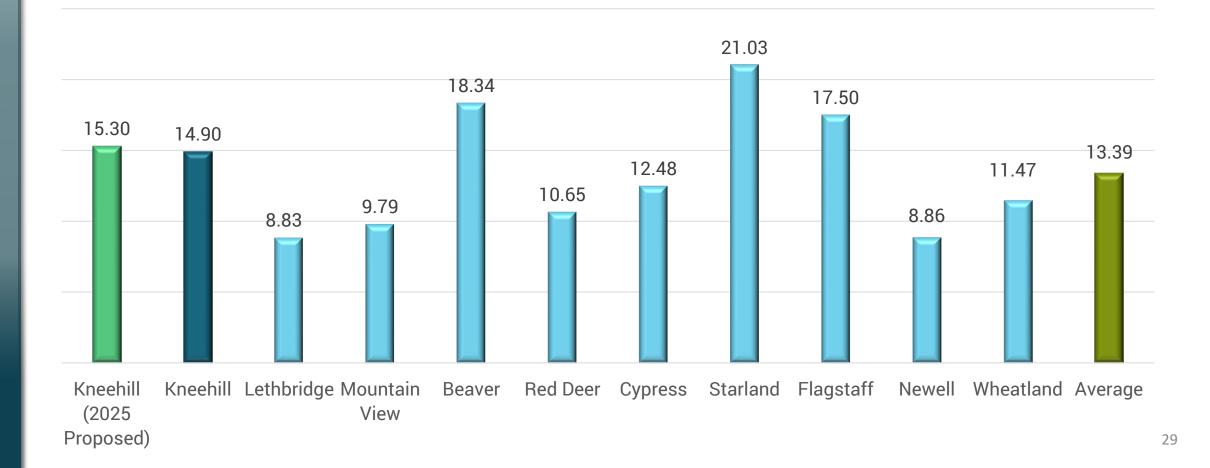


How Do We Compare? **2024 Farmland Tax Rates (Counties)** 29.00 18.67 17.60 16.30 15.95 15.61 14.55 14.44 9.60 8.86 8.10 7.62 Kneehill Kneehill Lethbridge Mountain Beaver Red Deer Cypress Starland Flagstaff Newell Wheatland Average (2025 View Proposed)

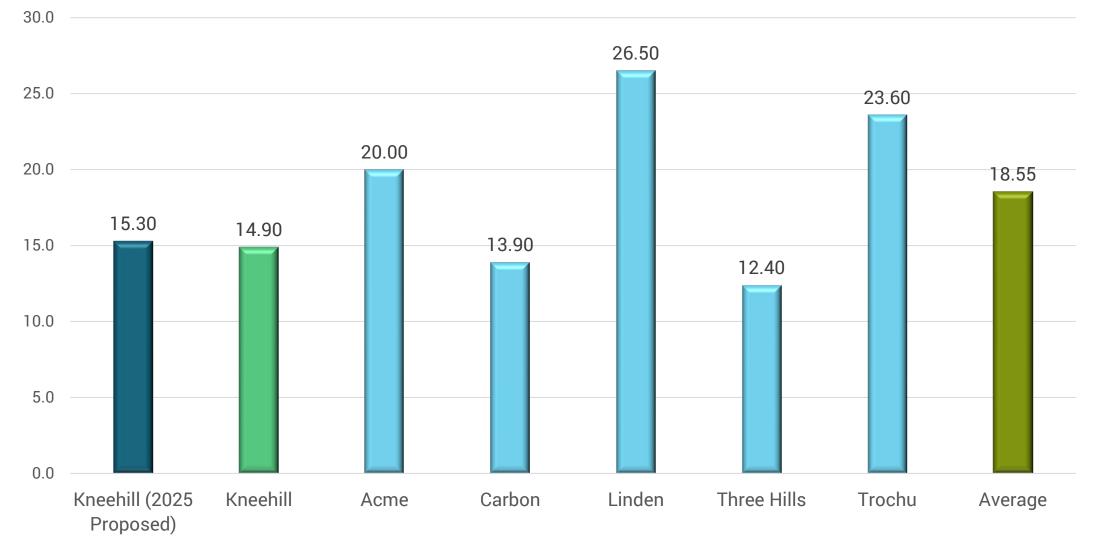
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2024 Non-Residential Tax Rates (Counties)



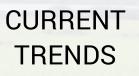
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Budget 2025 Guiding Principles



Alignment with Council's Strategic Plan



Sustain Existing Service Level



Maintain Competitive Tax Rates



Review and Recommend Adjustments to Service Fees and Rates as Necessary



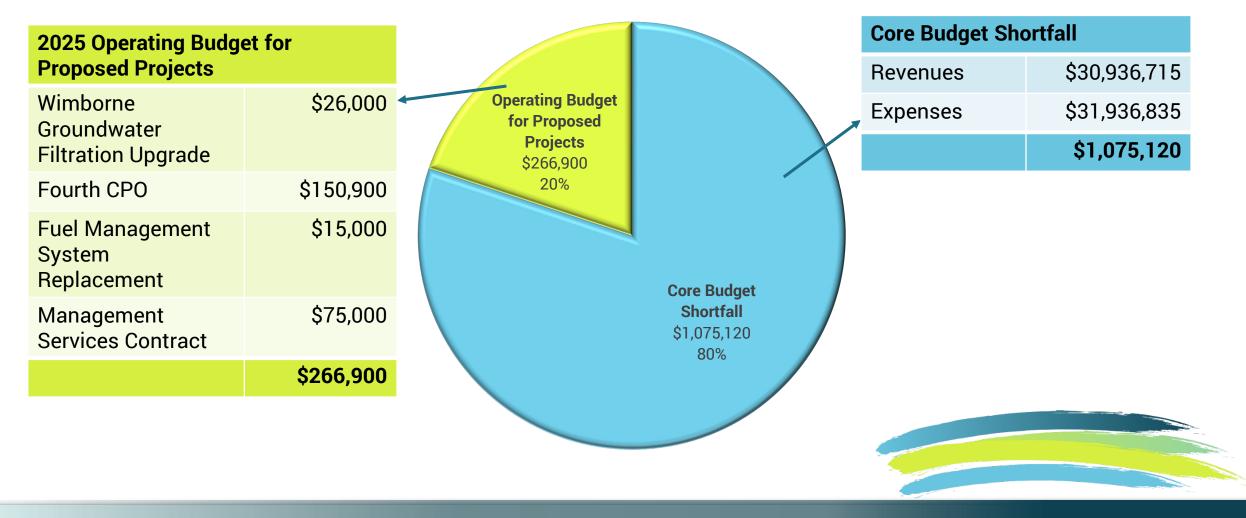
Continue to Implement and Monitor a Proactive Infrastructure Renewal Strategy



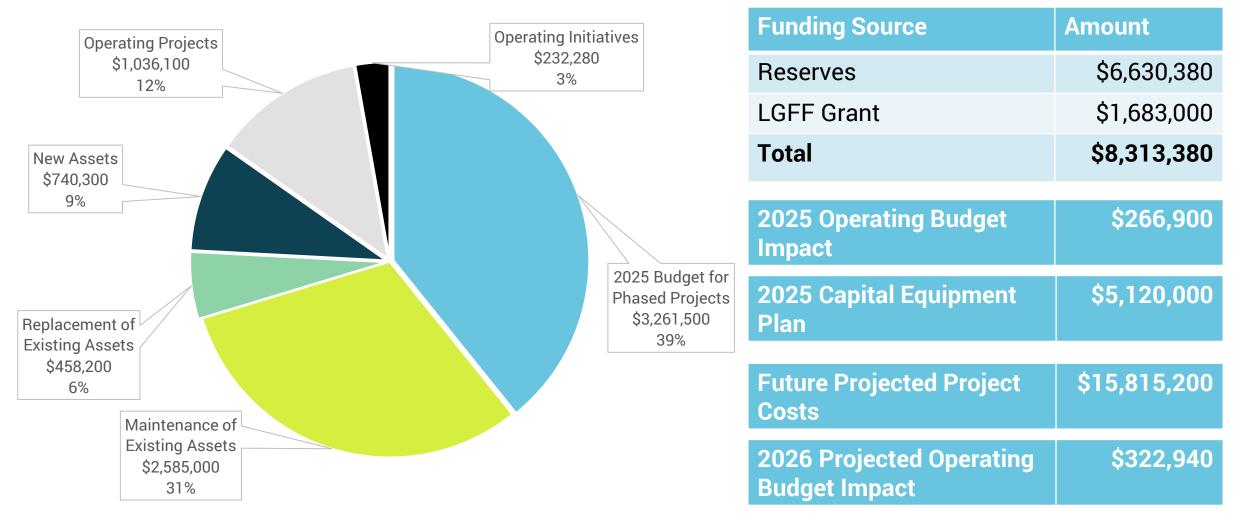
Enhance the Customer Experience

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Proposed Operating Budget Summary as of November 26, 2024



Proposed Projects & Funding Sources



Budget Balancing Adjustments, as presented on November 26, 2024

Core Shortfall as of November 26 th	\$1,075,120
Operating Budget Impact of Proposed Projects	\$266,900
Water System Revenue	(\$53,600)
Taxation Revenue – Residential (4% revenue increase)	(\$78,885)
Taxation Revenue – Farmland (5% revenue increase)	(\$118,357)
Taxation Revenue – Non-Residential (2.75% increase)	(\$617,926)
Taxation Revenue – Minimum Tax from \$150 to \$175	(\$41,500)
Draw from Revenue Stabilization Reserve	(\$431,752)
Budget Balanced	\$0



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Project Approvals - Reserve and Grant Funded

Confirmation of approval in principle of proposed projects

Project Approvals - Operating Budget Impact

- Wimborne Groundwater Filtration Upgrade \$26,000
- Fourth CPO \$150,900
- Fuel Management System Replacement \$15,000
- Management Services Contract \$75,000



Council Consideration Items

Property Tax Revenues

- Increase residential taxes by \$78,885 (4% revenue increase)
- Increase farmland taxes by \$118,357 (5% revenue increase)
- Increase non-residential taxes by \$617,926 (2.75% revenue increase)
- Increase minimum tax rate to \$175 (from \$150)



Council Consideration Items

Water System Revenues

- \$0.20 increase to water distribution system rates
- \$0.30 increase to bulk water system rates
- No increase to flat monthly fee

Budget Balancing Reserve Draw

 Draw from the Revenue Stabilization reserve to balance budget; amount pending Council deliberations

