## 2024 BUDGET INFORMATION MEETINGS PRESENTATION

**Budget Information Meetings** 

January 18, 2024

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## **Presentation Outline**

- **1. Budget Overview**
- 2. 2024 Operating Budget
- 3. 2024 Capital Budget
- 4. Climate Action & Environment
- 5. Property Assessments and Taxes
- 6. Next Steps







## **District Budget**

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**DISTRICT BUDGE** 

#### **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund encompasses all activities not assigned to a specific stand-alone fund. This fund has a diverse range of service activities: administration and support to Council, public safety, recreation, culture, community planning, business regulation, traffic, roads, parks and environment. It is within this fund that property tax rates are determined, as the most significant revenue source to previde these services.

#### **UTILITY FUNDS**

**WATER UTILITY FUND:** This fund supplies all residents with potable water on a metered-pay basis. User rates are established in a separate rate-setting exercise in the late fall.

**SEWER & DRAINAGE UTILITY FUND:** This fund deals with collection and treatment of liquid waste, on a userpay basis. User rates are established in a separate rate-setting exercise in late fall.

**SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING FUND:** This fund administers the garbage and public realm waste collection on a user-pay basis. User rates are established in a separate rate-setting exercise in late fall.

#### **OTHER STAND-ALONE FUNDS**

**CEMETERY FUND:** Capilano View Cemetery operates on a stand-alone basis, with a user rate structure sufficient to fund all expansions and improvements.

**GOLF FUND:** Ambleside Par 3 and Gleneagles Golf Course are self-contained businesses where user fees cover opera ting expenditures.

**BLUE BUS TRANSIT FUND:** The Blue Bus service is operated on a contract basis for TransLink, which sets service levels, establishes the budget and reimburses all costs.

Property tax rates determined within this fund.

User pay model; separate rate-setting bylaws.

Golf & Cemetery: user pay model; rates established in fees & charges bylaw.

Transit: recovery model for contract with TransLink



# **Balanced Budget**

#### **Money In**

- General Taxation
- Fees and Charges
- Other Revenue
- Reserves
- Borrowing



#### **Money Out**

- Operating
  - Labour
  - Non-labour
  - Debt repayment
- Capital
  - Asset maintenance
  - Asset replacement
  - New assets







# **Factors Affecting the Operating Budget**

#### **Ongoing Challenges**

- Undiversified tax base: 97% residential, 3% business, no industrial
- Limited revenue sources
- Challenging geography
- Response and adaptation to climate change; protecting natural resources
- Public expectations for service levels

#### 2024 Challenges

- Inflationary pressure on both labour and non-labour costs
- Downloading of costs from other agencies
- Funding Council's strategic plan



# **Operating Budget Options**

	Dollar Increase	Tax Increase	
Minimum Budget	\$3.22M	3.65%	uncontrollable costs - collective agreement, contractual obligations, inflation, downloading
"keeping the lights on"			
Service Level Choices	\$0.21M	0.23%	support for community groups; address safety, cleanliness and accessibility concerns
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Preferred Budget	\$3.42M	3.88%	
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Additional Service Level Choices	\$0.79M	0.90%	support for the arts, recreation and cultural activities; investment in technology
Best Practice Budget	\$4.21M	4.78%	



# **Operating Budget Increases**

	Minimum Budget		Prefe Bud		Best Practice Budget	
	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact
Collective Agreement Increase	\$4.55M	5.16%	\$4.55M	5.16%	\$4.55M	5.16%
Uncontrollable Costs & Inflation	\$1.76M	2.00%	\$1.76M	2.00%	\$1.76M	2.00%
Achieving Expected Service Levels	\$0.25M	0.29%	\$0.32M	0.36%	\$0.66M	0.74%
Enhancing Service Levels	\$0.16M	0.18%	\$0.30M	0.34%	\$0.75M	0.85%
Revenue Adjustments	(\$3.51M)	(3.98)%	(\$3.51M)	(3.98)%	(\$3.51M)	<mark>(3.98)%</mark>
<b>Operating Levy Increase</b>	\$3.22M	3.65%	\$3.42M	3.88%	\$4.21M	4.78%

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# **Achieving Expected Service Levels**

	Minimum Budget		Preferred Budget		Best Practice Budget	
Achieving Expected Service Levels						
Tree Management	\$0.11M	0.12%	\$0.11M	0.12%	\$0.11M	0.12%
Provincial Standard for Electronic Disclosure	\$0.09M	0.11%	\$0.09M	0.11%	\$0.09M	0.11%
Seniors' Outreach - Aging in Place	\$0.05M	0.06%	\$0.05M	0.06%	\$0.05M	0.06%
Community Grants Program	-	-	\$0.04M	0.05%	\$0.04M	0.05%
Cleanup of Unhoused Encampments	-	-	\$0.02M	0.02%	\$0.04M	0.05%
Trail Improvements	-	-	-	-	\$0.11M	0.13%
Drought Relief for Municipal Trees and Shrubs	-	-	-	-	\$0.05M	0.06%
Kay Meek & Arts Council Service Agreements	-	-	-	-	\$0.10M	0.11%
Harmony Arts Festival	-	-	<u>ت</u>	-	\$0.05M	0.06%
Recruitment & Retention - Corporate Training			-	-	\$0.01M	0.02%
Total	\$0.25M	0.29%	\$0.32M	0.36%	\$0.66M	0.74%



## **Enhancing Service Levels**

	Minimum Budget		Preferred Budget		Best Practice Budget	
	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact
Enhancing Service Levels						
Police Recruitment & Retention Initiative	\$0.14M	0.16%	\$0.14M	0.16%	\$0.14M	0.16%
Inclusion & Assessibility - Language Advertising	\$0.02M	0.02%	\$0.03M	0.03%	\$0.05M	0.05%
National Indigenous Peoples Day		-	\$0.01M	0.01%	\$0.01M	0.01%
Fire & Rescue Emergency Response		-	\$0.13M	0.14%	\$0.25M	0.28%
Fire Prevention Inspections		-	-	-	\$0.08M	0.09%
Digital Advancement & Technical Support		-	-	-	\$0.22M	0.25%
Total	\$0.16M	0.18%	\$0.30M	0.34%	\$0.75M	0.85%



#### **2024 Operating Budget Options**

			2024				2023	
	Minimum	Nue.	Preferred		Best Practice		Approved	102.4
	Budget	%	Budget	%	Budget	%	Budget	%
REVENUE								
General Taxation	\$90.29 M	62%	\$90.29 M	62%	\$90.29 M	62%	\$89.73 M	60
Fees and Charges	\$14.52 M	10%	\$14.52 M	10%	\$14.59 M	10%	\$13.18 M	9
Licences and Permits	\$7.59 M	5%	\$7.59 M	5%	\$7.59 M	5%	\$7.42 M	5
Other Revenue	\$21.61 M	15%	\$21.61 M	15%	\$21.61 M	15%	\$17.71 M	12
Government Grants	\$1.15 M	1%	\$1.15 M	1%	\$1.15 M	1%	\$9.23 M	6
Other Transfers	\$11.45 M	8%	\$11.45 M	8%	\$11.45 M	8%	\$13.06 M	9
Extraordinary Items	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.25 M	(
	\$146.61 M	100%	\$146.61 M	100%	\$146.68 M	100%	\$150.59 M	10
EXPENSES								
Office of the Municipal Manager,								
Community Relations & Communications,								
Legislative Services	\$4,91 M	3%	\$4,92 M	3%	\$4,94 M	3%	\$4.57 M	
Corporate Services	\$12.57 M	8%	\$12.59 M	8%	\$12.83 M	9%	\$11,98 M	
Engineering & Transportation	\$7.15 M	5%	\$7.15 M	5%	\$7.15 M	5%	\$6.69 M	
Financial Services	\$3.88 M	3%	\$3.88 M	3%	\$3.88 M	3%	\$3.66 M	
Fire & Rescue Services	\$20.62 M	14%	\$20,74 M	14%	\$21.02 M	14%	\$19.60 M	1
Human Resources	\$2.20 M	1%	\$2.20 M	1%	\$2.21 M	1%	\$2.10 M	
Parks, Culture & Community Services	\$23.47 M	16%	\$23.48 M	16%	\$23,74 M	16%	\$21,94 M	1
Planning & Development Services	\$7.72 M	5%	\$7,72 M	5%	\$7.72 M	5%	\$7.20 M	
Police Services	\$21.68 M	14%	\$21.68 M	14%	\$21.68 M	14%	\$19.85 M	1
West Vancouver Memorial Library	\$5.63 M	4%	\$5.63 M	4%	\$5.63 M	4%	\$5.37 M	
General Government	\$24.25 M	16%	\$24.29 M	16%	\$24.33 M	16%	\$31.81 M	2
	\$134.07 M	89%	\$134.28 M	90%	\$135.14 M	90%	\$134.76 M	8
Transfer to Asset Reserves	\$14.55 M	10%	\$14.55 M	10%	\$14.55 M	10%	\$14.55 M	10
Environmental Levy Transfer to Reserve	\$1.20 M	1%	\$1.20 M	1%	\$1.20 M	1%	\$1.20 M	
Extraordinary Items								
Net Land Sales Transfer to Land Reserve	\$0.00 M		\$0.00 M		\$0.00 M		\$0.08 M	
	\$149.83 M	100%	\$150.03 M	100%	\$150.90 M	100%	\$150.59 M	10
SHORTFALL	(\$3.22 M)		(\$3.42 M)		(\$4.21 M)		\$0.00 M	
Operating Levy Increase	3.65%		3.88%		4.78%		and the second	



#### **2024 Operating Budget Options - Revenue**

			2023					
	Minimum Budget	%	Preferred Budget	%	Best Practice Budget	%	Approved Budget	%
REVENUE		l'anne anna a' the						
General Taxation	\$90.29 M	62%	\$90.29 M	62%	\$90.29 M	62%	\$89.73 M	60%
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Extraordinary Items	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.00 M	0%	\$0.25 M	0%
	\$146.61 M	100%	\$146.61 M	100%	\$146.68 M	100%	\$150.59 M	100%



#### **2024 Operating Budget Options - Expense**

Г			2024				2023	
	Minimum Budget	%	Preferred Budget	%	Best Practice Budget	%	Approved Budget	%
EXPENSES								53
Office of the Municipal Manager,								
Community Relations &								
Communications, Legislative Services	\$4.91 M	3%	\$4.92 M	3%	\$4.94 M	3%	\$4.57 M	3%
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# **Factors Affecting the Capital Budget**

#### **Ongoing Challenges**

- Minimal reserves for major projects
- Challenging geography
- Response and adaptation to climate change; protecting natural resources

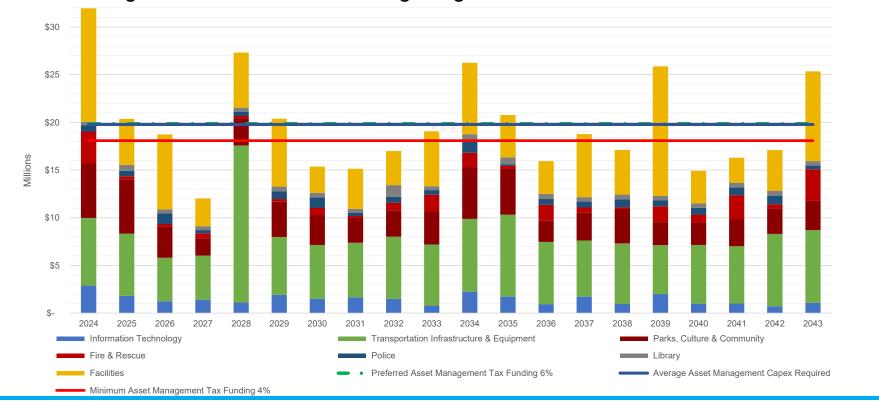
#### 2024 Challenges

- Inflation pressure on both labour and non-labour costs
- 2024 deferred asset maintenance gap: \$12.5M
- Funding Council's strategic plan



## **20-Year Asset Management Plan**

Over the next 20 years, to prevent assets from failure resulting from deferred maintenance, the estimated average annual cost of maintaining the general fund assets is \$19.8 million.





# **Asset Levy Options**

Minim Budg		Prefer Budg		Best Practice Budget		
Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	
\$3.5M	4.00%	\$5.3M	6.00%	\$5.3M	6.00%	



# **Asset Levy**

#### • Propose minimum 4.00% Asset Levy increase; preferred & best practice at 6.00% increase

Annual Budget	Asset Levy Rate Increase (%)	Asset Levy Amount Increase (\$)	Asset Levy	Operating Budget Contribution	Amount Available for Capital Investment	Estimation of Required Optimal Investment	Shortfall / (Surplus)
2015	0.00%	\$0.0M	\$0.0M	\$7.4M	\$7.4M	\$13.9M	\$6.5M
2016	5.25%	\$3.1M	\$3.1M	\$7.4M	\$10.4M	\$13.9M	\$3.5M
2017	2.45%	\$1.6M	\$4.6M	\$7.4M	\$12.0M	\$14.1M	\$2.1M
2018	1.56%	\$1.1M	\$5.7M	\$7.4M	\$13.0M	\$14.5M	\$1.5M
2019	1.76%	\$1.5M	\$7.1M	\$7.4M	\$14.5M	\$14.5M	\$0.0M
2020	0.00%	\$0.0M	\$7.1M	\$0.7M	\$7.8M	\$14.5M	\$6.7M
2021	2.50%	\$2.4M	\$9.5M	\$1.2M	\$10.7M	\$16.9M	\$6.2M
2022	1.00%	\$0.8M	\$10.3M	\$2.1M	\$12.4M	\$16.3M	\$3.9M
2023	2.00%	\$1.7M	\$12.0M	\$2.6M	\$14.6M	\$17.7M	\$3.1M
2024 Minimum	4.00%	\$3.5M	\$15.5M	\$2.6M	\$18.1M	\$19.8M	\$1.7M
2024 Preferred / Best Practice	6.00%	\$5.3M	\$17.3M	\$2.6M	\$19.8M	\$19.8M	\$(0.1M)



### 2024 Capital Budget – Preferred 6.00% increase in Asset Levy

#### • Based on asset management plans

2024 Capital Requests						
	Asset Preservation	\$9.4M	41%			
	Regular Asset Maintenance	\$10.6M	48%			
Maintaining & Replacing Existing Assets	Innovation	\$0.2M	1%			
	Strategic Investment	\$1.4M	6%			
	Health & Safety	\$0.1M	0%			
	Subtotal	\$21.7M	96%			
	Strategic Investment	\$0.8M	4%			
Investment in New	Innovation	\$0.1M	0%			
Assets	Health & Safety	\$0.1M	0%			
	Subtotal	\$1.0M	4%			
Total		\$22.7M	100%			

2024 Capital Funding						
	2024 Asset Levy	\$16.3M	72%			
Asset Reserves	2024 Operating Budget Contribution	\$2.5M	11%			
	Subtotal	\$18.8M	83%			
	Environmental Reserve	\$1.3M	6%			
	External Sources	\$0.8M	4%			
Other Reserves	Development Cost Charges	\$0.3M	1%			
& External	CAC - Community Serving	\$1.0M	4%			
Funding	UBCM Community Works Fund	\$0.4M	2%			
	Artificial Turf Replacement Reserve	\$0.1M	0%			
	Subtotal	\$3.9M	17%			
Total Available fo	\$22.7M	100%				



# Climate Action & Environment



# **Environmental Levy**

- Further support goal to protect natural environment, mitigate and adapt to climate change
  - Incremental cost to convert from gas powered vehicles to full electric vehicles
  - Community Wildfire Plan Implementation Fuel Treatment
  - Community outreach programs



# **Environmental Levy**

Minim Budg		Preferred Budget					
Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact	Dollar Increase	Tax Impact		
\$0.0M	0.00%	\$0.0M	0.00%	\$0.4M	0.50%		

- No proposed increase until Climate Action Strategy and workplan developed in coordination with Environment Committee
- A 0.50% increase included in the best practice budget option



# **5 Property Assessments** and Taxes



## **Property Assessment Relative to Property Taxes**



Here is what could happen to your property taxes:



# **Sample Property Assessment Notice**

#### Property Location & Description

1234 ANYWHERE STREET

LOT 5, PLAN VIP4888, SECTION 98, LAKE LAND DISTRICT PID: 012-345-678

2024 Assessment - represents your property value as of July 1, 2023

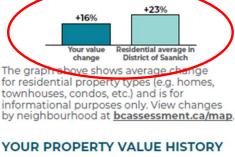
Assessed Value Land	Value 112,000	Class
Buildings	200,000	
2024 Assessed Value	\$312,000	01-Residential
2024 Taxable Value	\$312,000	

Important messages about your 2024 Assessment

This is **not** a tax notice. Tax notices are issued by local governments and taxing authorities.

This notice contains important information about your property. Please review and keep for your records. No action is required unless you disagree with your assessment.

#### YOUR PROPERTY VALUE CHANGE



2024	+16%	\$312,000
2023	-9%	\$268,000
2022	+8%	\$295,000
2021	+7%	\$273,000

#### % Change due to Market

Class 1 (all residential): -1.9% Single Family: -2.1% Strata: -0.7%

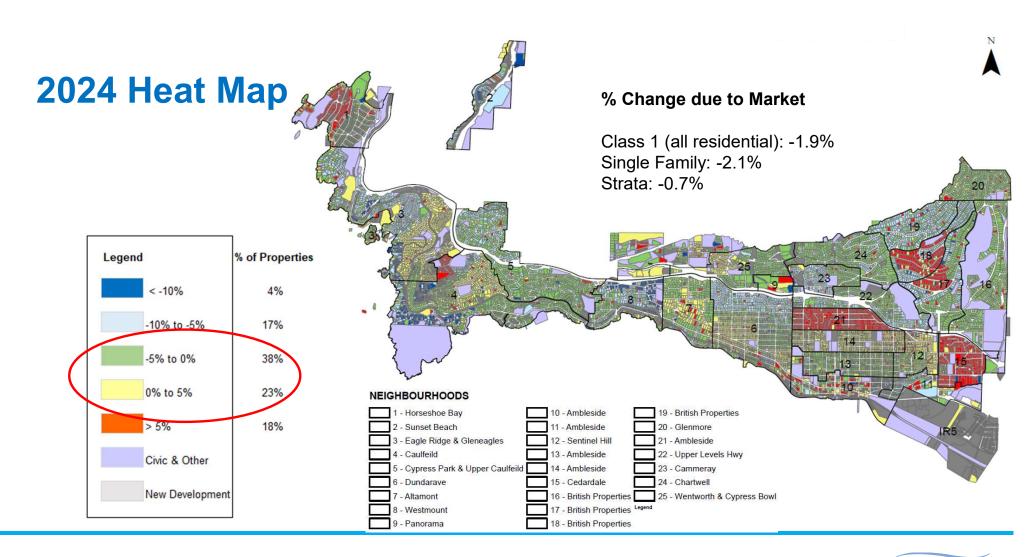
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#### Market Movement

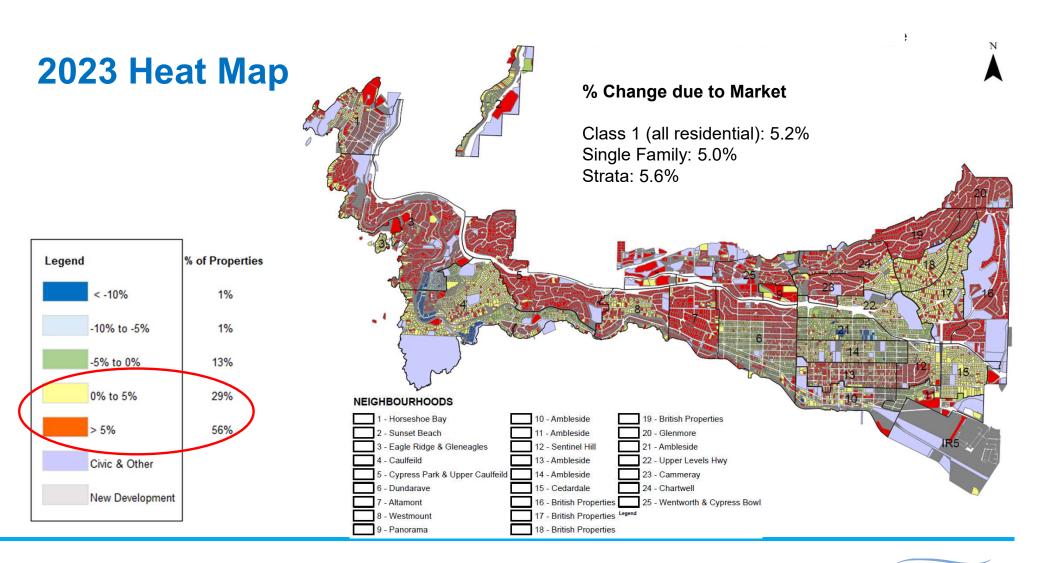
Change from July 1, 2022 to July 1, 2023	3
Jurisdiction	
District of West	
Vancouver	
Residential Total	-1.9%
Single Family Residential	-2.1%
Strata	-0.7%
Business/Other	-0.4%
Light Industry	N/A













#### **Impact on Average Single-Family Home**

Levy	Minimu	Minimum Budget		Preferred Budget		Best Practice Budget	
Operating Levy	3.65%	\$213	3.88%	\$227	4.78%	\$280	
Asset Levy	4.00%	\$234	6.00%	\$351	6.00%	\$351	
Environmental Levy	0.00%	\$-	0.00%	\$-	0.50%	\$29	
Total Tax Levy *	7.65%	\$447	9.88%	\$578	11.28%	\$660	
Total Utility Fees **		\$193		\$193		\$193	
Total Dollar Increase		\$640		\$771		\$853	
Monthly Amount		\$53		\$64		\$71	

\* BC Assessment – 2024 Preview Roll: 2024 Average Single-Family Detached (SFD): \$3.74M

\*\* Median Single Family Household Utilities Consumption

Does not include other taxing authorities' levies (school district, transit, regional district)







# **Public Consultation**

#### **Budget Information Sessions**

January 16, 2024 | 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. | Cedar Room, West Vancouver Community Centre (in-person) January 18, 2024 | 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. | Virtual session

#### Online

Forum for the public to share comments and feedback from January 3 to 19, 2024



## **2024 Budget Timeline**

**December 11, 2023 – Council meeting** 2024-2028 Five-Year Financial Plan Context presentation

January 3 to 19, 2024 Online public questions and comments

January 16 and 18, 2024 Public consultation meetings

January 29 and February 12, 2024 – Finance and Audit Committee meeting and Council meeting Proposed 2024 Operating & Capital Budgets report

**February 26 and March 4, 2024 – Finance and Audit Committee meeting and Council meeting** Proposed 2024-2028 Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw and Proposed 2024 Phase 1 Capital Funding report



# Thank You! Questions?

