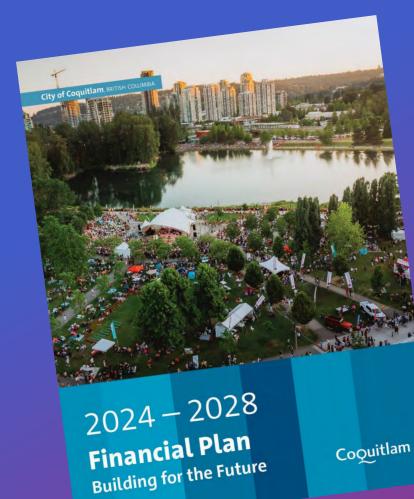


# City of Coquitlam 2024 Budget

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Five-year Financial Plan Supports Certainty and Financial Stability

### **Proposed 2024 Tax and Utility Rates**



#### **Operating Budget**

**\$437M** to maintain core services and ensure long-term financial sustainability



Property Tax Increase 8.92% (municipal inflation = 7.7%)



Average Household \$273 or \$5/week (total property charges)

#### **Utility Adjustments**



Water Bill **15%** (\$19 – multi family; (\$32 – single family)



Sewer/Drainage **↑ 5% (\$30)** 

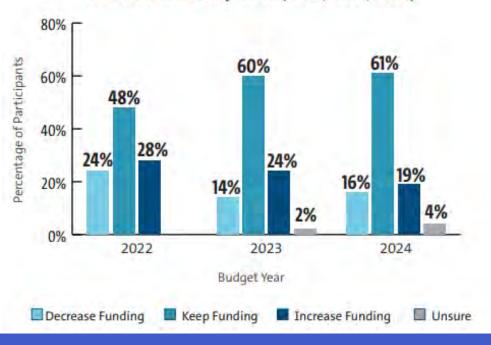


Solid Waste Levy **1** 2% (\$7)



### **What We Heard**

Averages Year Over Year Comparison (2022, 2023, 2024)



- Majority (61%) keep funding as is
- 19% increase funding
- 16% decrease funding
- 4% unsure



### What We Heard



#### Top three service area where participants want to keep funding as is:



Garbage and Solid Waste Services (76%)



Water, Sewage and Drainage Services (71%)



Fire and Rescue Services (68%)



#### Top three service areas where participants want funding to increase:



- Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities Services (29%)
- Roads and Transportation Services (28%)





Top three service areas where participants want funding to decrease:



Capital Construction Services (24%)



Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities Services (23%)



Planning and Development Services (20%)



**Municipalities** facing skyrocketing costs, expanded responsibilities and growing demand for service



# **Highest Housing Starts Per Capita**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Development Projects Submitted	81	86	129	191	153	111*
Housing Units Approved	-	-	-	2,912	4,335	3,412*
Rental Units Created	-	-	169	308	460	645*
Building Permits Issued	862	751	636	716	642	304*
Housing Starts (net)	922	1,723	2,137	2,141	3,002	4,291*
Inspections Performed	22,788	21,714	19,677	22,628	21,763	20,653*

\* As of September 30, 2023



Provincial facilities impacting **City's staffing** resources and Coquitlam taxpayers





**Provincial** accessibility legislation imposes new municipal responsibilities Considering community needs now and into the future





City of Coquitlam responsible for \$4-billion in public assets essential to delivering core services

Long-term perspective guided by Strategic Plan, **Business Plan** and Facilities Roadmap



### \$437 Million Investment in Key Priorities



Housing Affordability and Supply

Reconciliation

Community Safety (gg

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion



- 10 new Firefighters
- 9 new RCMP
- 2 Bylaw Inspectors
- Emergency Management Coordinator
- Policing resources







### Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

- Accessibility and Inclusion Coordinator
- Inclusion supports for recreation programs and summer camps





- Continue to build strong government-togovernment relationships with local First Nations
- Work with and support k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup> a <sup>x</sup>/<sub>2</sub> m





- Support for new housing and services for growing community
- Housing Planner to advance Housing Affordability Strategy
- Resources to process increase in new housing applications



**Staffing resources** to care for critical infrastructure, upgrade parks and operate Spani **Pool** and new **Town Centre Park** Community Centre





Sustainable Infrastructure Renewal Funding Strategy ensures City assets continue to operate safely and reliably, now and in the future



Strategic use of reserve accounts to provide stability for property owners

### **Capital Investments**



- **\$138M** in 2024
- Part of 5-year \$769M plan
- 2024 Highlights
  - NE Community Centre design
  - Park investments
  - Completion of Spani Pool and Town Centre Park Community Centre
  - Fire station and recreation centre upgrades
  - Transportation improvements (e.g. road rehab, sidewalk and pedestrian safety
  - Utility replacement and upgrades









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