



City of Coquitlam

2025 Budget

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Thoughtful Approach to Budgeting



Collaboration and shared commitment to:

- Fiscal responsibility
- Community safety
- Sustainable growth

Balancing Pressures with Priorities:

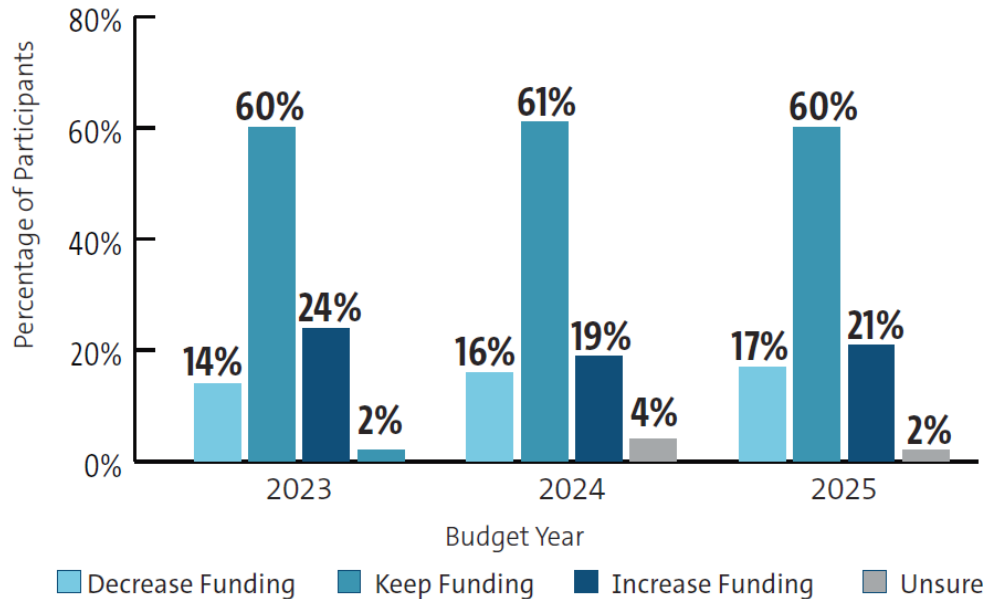
Growth requires more infrastructure, more services and additional public safety supports



What We Heard

Averages

Year Over Year Comparison (2023, 2024, 2025)



- Majority (60%) – keep funding as is
- 21% - increase funding
- 17% - decrease funding
- 2% - unsure

What We Heard



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

- 1** Solid Waste Services (**74%**)
- 2** Water, Sewage and Drainage Services (**71%**)
- 3** Fire and Rescue Services (**67%**)



Top three service areas where participants want funding to increase:

- 1** Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities Services (**33%**)
- 2** Roads and Transportation Services (**32%**)
- 3** Police Services (**27%**)



Top three service areas where participants want funding to decrease:

- 1** Planning and Development Services (**25%**)
- 2** Capital Construction Services (**25%**)
- 3** Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities Services (**18%**)

Align with 2024-2027 Strategic Plan

- Community Safety
- Housing Affordability
- Environmental
- Financial Stability



Community Safety



EDI, Reconciliation and Social Issues



Housing



Economic Vitality



Environmental Sustainability



Critical Infrastructure



Community Amenities



Workplace and People



Financial Excellence and Operational Efficiency

Planning for Coquitlam's Future



- **Maximize value** for taxpayers
- Continued **support for core infrastructure sustainability** to ensure roads and utilities remain safe and reliable
- Contribution to **Development Stabilization Reserve** strengthens capacity to manage cost of future growth

Proposed 2025 Tax and Utility Rates



Total Budget

\$711M to maintain core services and ensure long-term financial sustainability



Property Tax Increase

6.83%
(\$175 for average household)



Average Household

\$301 or **\$25/month**
(total property charges)

Utility Adjustments



Water Bill

↑ 4% (\$419 – multi family;
\$699 – single family)



Sewer/Drainage

↑ 16% (\$636; 10%: for Metro
Van Treatment Plant)



Solid Waste Levy

↑ 1% (\$375 – 240L Cart)



RCMP Contract Updates



Extreme Weather Preparedness



Legislative Changes and Downloading



Cultural Investments

**External
Financial
Pressures
Driving
2025
Budget
Increases**



Strategic Investments in a Growing and Thriving Community



Public Safety

Coquitlam is working to keep the City and its residents safe.

- Community Safety Advisor
- 4 new RCMP Officers
- Funding for 10 new Firefighters and 9 police officers approved in 2024





No- and Low-Cost Recreation Programs

Coquitlam is committing to the progression of equity, diversity and inclusion, and advancing Reconciliation.

- Support enhanced participation in recreation opportunities



Infrastructure and Growth

Coquitlam is building important civic amenities and investing in community programming.

- Northeast Community Centre
- Burke Mountain Athletic Park



Sustainable Capital Planning

Coquitlam is delivering and maintaining important infrastructure for a growing population.

- Operating funding for new facilities and assets to ensure sustainability throughout their lifetime, not just construction



Environmental Sustainability

Coquitlam is taking action to address environmental and climate sustainability.

- Investments in electric vehicles
- Energy-efficient initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions





**Sound financial
planning allows
Coquitlam to plan
for the future and
minimize the
impacts of
one-time costs**



Collaboration and community input reinforce importance of balancing affordability with ongoing investment in essential services and infrastructure



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