

2024 Budget Highlights



KEY BUDGET PRIORITIES



Public Safety



Housing



Capital Projects



Economic Development

Message from Council

Maple Ridge's 2024 draft budget addresses the rising service demand in our fast-growing community with significant investments to enhance public safety, create more housing options, diversify our local economy, and meet other needs. Council is taking bold steps to deliver what our community needs to move forward.

At the same time, we recognize these are challenging financial times and have taken steps to limit the impact on taxpayers. We feel the draft budget achieves the right balance between affordability and addressing our critical priorities. We invite our residents to learn more and share their thoughts until March 22 by visiting engage.mapleridge.ca/budget2024.



**Learn more and
give feedback
Feb. 16-March 22**

From left: Councillor Onyeka Dozie, Councillor Sunny Schiller, Councillor Judy Dueck, Mayor Dan Ruimy, Councillor Jenny Tan, Councillor Ahmed Yousef, Councillor Korleen Carreras

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2024 Operating Budget

\$160 M

The City’s \$160-million operating budget for 2024 is framed around maintaining core municipal services and delivering on community priorities and needs reflected in the 2023-2026 Council Strategic Plan and the budget public engagement in January.

While the City is facing a variety of costs beyond its control in 2024, it also took steps to reduce the impact on taxpayers, including deferring projects, spreading out some costs over multiple years, and actively seeking grant funding.

Enhancement Highlights

Learn more at mapleridge.ca/budget2024.

FUNDING SOURCES: Taxes Grants / Reserves

Public Safety



To enhance public safety and meet growing demand:

- 16 front-line firefighters
- 12 RCMP officers
- Victim Services Case Worker
- Increased downtown overnight security

Housing



To address requirements of provincial housing legislation:

- 4 staff to support housing creation
- Update Official Community Plan
- Update Zoning Bylaw
- Update Development Cost Charges
- Update Density Bonusing Program
- Create pre-approved site plans

Economic Development



To support employment, tourism and business growth:

- Business attraction/retention plan
- Event attraction plan
- Investment attraction plan
- Local labour market analysis
- Albion Industrial land analysis
- Create employment area plan

Liveability



To enhance community engagement and liveability:

- Toolkit to increase public engagement
- Participatory budget exercise
- Mobile stage for City’s 150th birthday
- Temporary fleet coordinator

Climate Change



To address the impacts of climate change on services and residents:

- Countertop food waste pilot
- McKenney Creek management plan
- Inventory/assessment of biodiversity
- Update green infrastructure standards

City Assets and Services



To protect City assets and enhance citizen services and governance:

- Additional cybersecurity funding
- Customer experience strategy
- Intergovernmental relations strategy
- Archeological management plan
- Continuous improvement plan

Tax Impact

2024 Proposed Property Tax Impact for Average Home Assessed at \$985,700

	2023	\$ Change	% Change	2024
TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAXES*	\$ 2,303.48	\$149.73	6.50%	\$2,453.21

* 6.50% increase includes:

- 3.95%: Existing services and cost increases
- 0.40%: City infrastructure replacement
- 1.35%: Protective services (Fire, Police)
- 0.80%: Other improvements and priorities

2024 Utility User Fees

	2023	\$ Change	% Change	2024
Recycling	\$ 83.10	\$2.29	2.76%	\$85.39
Water	752.95	33.90	4.50%	786.85
Sewer	537.05	42.65	7.94%	579.70
TOTAL UTILITIES	\$1,373.10	\$78.84	5.74%	\$1,451.94

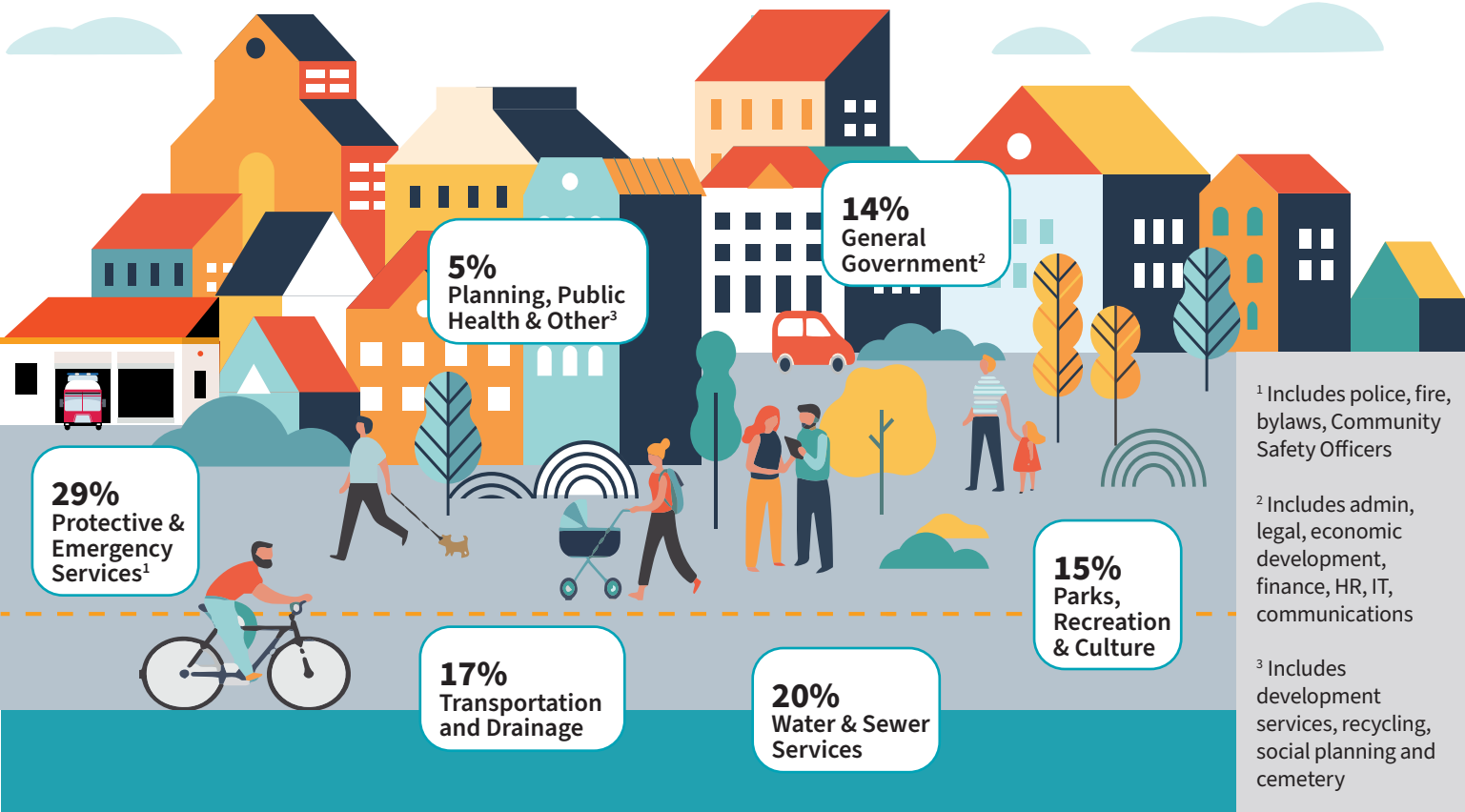
How Do We Compare?*

Coquitlam	8.92%
Pitt Meadows	7.79%
New Westminster	7.70%
Vancouver	7.50%
Langley (Town.)	6.88%
MAPLE RIDGE	6.50%
Mission	6.19%
Port Coquitlam	5.58%

* Based on reported 2024 increases

How Tax Dollars Are Invested

Taxes help pay for a wide variety of civic services. This example is based on the approved 2023 budget.



2024 Capital Budget

\$112 M

The approved 2024–2028 capital plan will invest \$112 million in 2024 in the buildings, roads, equipment and other assets that are critical to the delivery of services in Maple Ridge.

Capital projects for 2024 are funded through development fees, reserve accounts and grants, including the provincial Growing Communities Grant.

Capital Program Highlights

Learn more at mapleridge.ca/budget2024.

Continue the process to plan, design and deliver a new recreation facility



Widening Abernethy Way and adding a multi-use path (224 to 230 Street)



Upgrades to Port Haney Waterfront Park and Maple Ridge Park



Road rehabilitation including 128 Avenue (232 to 235A Street) and paving 12 kms of two-lane roads



Adding a multi-use path on Thorne Avenue



Improving technology to enhance efficiency, cybersecurity and service-delivery



Planning a second access to Silver Valley, a 240 Street bridge and multi-use path



Increasing capacity of Lower Hammond Drainage Pump Station to improve flood protection

