

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Finance

Date: April 21, 2026

Subject: 2026 Final Operating and Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approves the 2026 Final Operating and Capital Budget with the list of changes.

BACKGROUND:

The 2026 Provisional General Operating and Capital Budgets were presented to Council on February 23, 2026 and the 2026 Provisional Utility Operating and Capital Budgets were presented to Council on March 23, 2026, both during the Public Budget presentations.

2026 Operating Budget

Changes relating to the 2026 Operational Budget are shown in the table below and attached to this report is a comparison between the 2026 Final and Provisional Budget as well as a comparison between the 2026 Final Budget and the 2025 Final Budget.

Summary of Changes from 2026 Provisional Budget to 2026 Final Budget	
2026 Provisional Budget	14,604,821
General Operating Revenue	
<i>Taxation</i>	(2,715)
Assessment values decreased slightly	
<i>Transfers from Other Governments</i>	329,228
Grant approvals received	
<i>Fire Department Transfers from Other Governments</i>	(11,600)
Grant funding moved to Water Services for operational project	
<i>Recreation Centre Sales of Service/User Fees</i>	3,500
Increase revenue from Canteen Lease	
<i>Fiscal Services</i>	306,616
MLMCF Dividends to fund Morfee Mountain Road operating budget	
Depreciation Increase	
	Increase in Operating Revenue
	625,029
	2026 Final Budget
	15,229,850

Summary of Changes from 2026 Provisional Budget to 2026 Final Budget	
2026 Provisional Budget	14,604,821
General Operating Expenses	
<i>General Government</i>	394,291
Morfee Mountain Road budget added	
Expenses related to projects that received grant approval	
Depreciation Increase	
<i>Protective Services</i>	71,336
Reduction of grant expenses moved to Water Services for operational project	
Depreciation Increase	
<i>Transportation Services</i>	74,883
Reallocation of funds for flower baskets to Streets budget	
Depreciation Increase	
<i>Health, Social Services & Housing</i>	32,079
Depreciation Increase	
<i>Parks, Recreation & Culture</i>	50,440
Reallocation of funds for flower baskets to Streets budget	
Depreciation Increase	
<i>Fiscal Services</i>	2,000
Reallocation of funds from general operating budget to Water Services	
Increase in Operating Expenditure	625,029
2026 Final Budget	15,229,850

2026 Capital Budget

There were no changes made to the Capital Budget between the Provisional and Final Budget. Attached to this report is the Final Capital Budget summary.

Five-Year Financial Plan

The District is required to develop a Five-Year Financial Plan as per the *Community Charter* Section 165. This includes a detailed plan for the current year (2026) and a summary of the operations for the next four years (2027-2030). This information is attached to the Financial Plan Bylaw, under the Bylaws section of this agenda. The Financial Plan must be adopted before the Tax Rate Bylaw on or before May 15, 2026 and submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on or before May 15, 2026.

COUNCIL PRIORITY:

Strong Governance and Finances

- As the municipality's elected governing body, we serve all residents and businesses in the community. We engage residents and stakeholders on important issues and make our decisions through open and transparent processes. We are careful in our use of resources, mindful of the need to maintain programs and services, while also meeting the community's infrastructure needs.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Kerri Borne, Chief Financial Officer

Reviewed By: Corporate Services

Approved By: Chief Administrative Officer