Consultations - Draft City Budget 2016

The City of Ottawa is facing a \$41 M deficit. This city services that we all depend upon, and others that address the needs of the most vulnerable in our community. The annual property tax increase has shrunk every year since 2011 (2.45% to 1.75%). This has meant a tighter budget each year amidst rising costs and financial pressures.

An increase of 1% is \$36 per year on the average property tax bill and would give the City \$14 M in revenue. What investment are you prepared to make to ensure quality of life in our city?

could mean cuts to important



In the coming weeks, City Councillors are inviting input to inform the draft budget to be released November 12th. Contact the <u>Mayor and your City Councillor</u> or attend a budget consultation (see below) to let them know what you want to see in the draft budget.

<u>Potential message:</u> I would like to make an informed choice as to choosing between services and tax increases. In the draft budget, I would like to see options as to what services would be cut or maintained with a 2%, 3% or 4% tax increase. Will you take steps to ensure this happens?

For updates on City Council consultations, visit ottawa.ca:

Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m to noon

Nepean Sportsplex, Hall A, 1701 Woodroffe Avenue Councillors Rick Chiarelli (College Ward), Keith Egli (Knoxdale-Merivale Ward), Jan Harder (Barrhaven Ward) and Mark Taylor (Bay Ward)

Saturday, September 26, 9:30 a.m to 12:30 p.m.

Place d'Orléans Shopping Centre Councillors Stephen Blais (Cumberland Ward), Jody Mitic (Innes Ward), Bob Monette (Orléans Ward) and Tim Tierney (Beacon Hill-Cyrville Ward)

Tuesday, September 29, 7 to 9 p.m.

John G Mlacak Centre, Halls C & D, 2500 Campeau Drive Councillors Shad Qadri (Stittsville Ward) and Marianne Wilkinson (Kanata-North Ward)

Wednesday, September 30, 7 to 9 p.m.

Rideau Valley Conservation Authority Building, 3889 Rideau Valley Drive, Manotick Councillors George Darouze (Osgoode Ward), Jan Harder (Barrhaven Ward), Scott Moffatt (Rideau-Goulbourn Ward) and Michael Qaqish (Gloucester-South Nepean Ward)

Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Jim Durrell Recreation Centre, 1265 Walkley Road Councillors Riley Brockington (River Ward), David Chernushenko (Capital Ward), Jean Cloutier (Alta Vista Ward) and Diane Deans (Gloucester Southgate Ward)

Wednesday, October 7, 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Laurent Complex, 525 Coté Street Councillors Mathieu Fleury (Rideau-Vanier Ward) and Tobi Nussbaum (RideauRockliffe Ward

Thursday October 8, 6 to 8 p.m.

Maker Space North, 250 City Centre. Councillors Jeff Leiper (Kitchissippi) and Catherine McKenney (Somerset)

In addition, Councillor Allan Hubley (Kanata South Ward) will host a budget consultation page on his website where residents can leave comments.

Learn more. Check out these resources about the City's budget process.

Making Votes Count

Coalition of Community Health and Resource Centres City for All Women Initiative (CAWI)