

2018 Budget

- The residential property tax increase for 2018 is 2.89 per cent
- The 2018 Budget meets Council's mandate to limit the annual property tax increases to no more than three per cent per year during this Council term
- \$298.3 million is being allocated for property tax supported operating expenses
- \$161.3 million is being allocated for utility rate supported operating expenses
- \$146.5 million is being allocated for capital projects and improvements
- Council also approved utility rate increases of 9.9 per cent, which support the long-term sustainability of water, wastewater and stormwater services

Operating Budget Highlights:

The City's total operating budget is used to run City facilities, programs and services, such as recreation programs, waste collection, snow clearing, and fire and rescue services. Here are some highlights:

- \$161.3 million for water, wastewater and stormwater – funds the delivery of water, wastewater and stormwater services
- \$62.4 million for Public Works – this includes services such as snow clearing, maintenance of parks and waste collection
- \$54.9 million for Community Services – this includes recreation programs, like swimming and fitness, by-law and compliance services, and maintenance of City buildings
- \$49.5 million for Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service – this includes daily operation of fire services and public safety education programs
- \$26.3 million for Planning and Growth Management – this includes managing growth in the city, environmental sustainability and economic development initiatives

Capital Budget Highlights:

The capital budget is used to build and repair City infrastructure and supports the achievement of the strategic priorities outlined in the Term of Council Strategy Map. The capital budget includes:

- \$95.2 million to invest, renew and manage the City's infrastructure assets
- \$13.4 million to facilitate the development of the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre by attracting businesses and amenities to the area
- \$11.9 million to support and promote arts, culture, heritage and sports by providing community enrichment through library upgrades, new parks and field improvements
- \$11.5 million to improve the municipal road network by working with other levels of government to plan and rehabilitate roads, and facilitating road extensions
- \$5.7 million to continue to ensure the safety and well-being of citizens through effective fire and emergency services, by-law and building inspections

Background

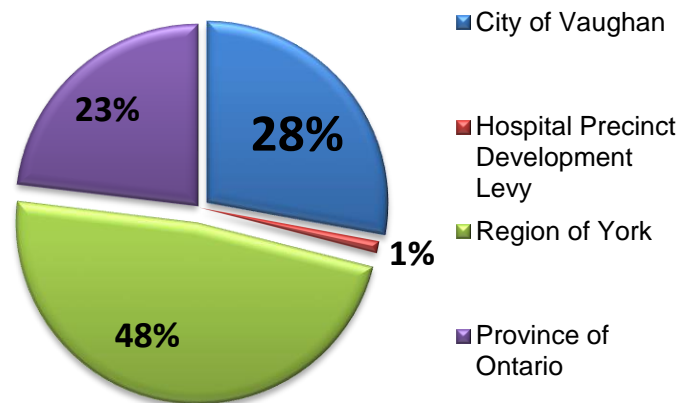
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- \$2.1 million to re-establish the urban tree canopy by continuing to deliver on the Tree Replacement Plan
- \$1.7 million to continue to cultivate an environmentally sustainable city by furthering initiatives to conserve energy and reduce emissions
- \$0.9 million to continue to develop options to get around the city by creating routes for transit, cycling and pedestrian travel

Key Facts and Figures:

Tax Bill Portions

This is how property taxes will be allocated in 2018.



Cost of Municipal Services

In 2018, the City of Vaughan will spend \$298.3 million on delivering property tax supported programs and services, and maintaining City infrastructure (buildings and roads). This is how each tax dollar is divided among City departments:

- 20 cents go to Public Works to maintain parks, street and traffic lights, clear roads during the winter and deliver waste collection services
- 18 cents go to Community Services for recreation programs, such as swimming, dance and fitness
- 17 cents go to Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service to help keep residents safe
- 15 cents go to General Government to provide internal resources to support service delivery
- 11 cents go to Planning and Growth Management to manage the growth of the city
- 11 cents go to Capital Investment and Debt Servicing to build and repair City infrastructure (roads, pipes, buildings)
- 6 cents go to Libraries for books, resources and programs
- 1 cent goes to the City Manager, Corporate Initiatives and Intergovernmental Relations, and Transformation and Strategy to fulfill Council's priorities
- 1 cent goes to Council, Internal Audit and the Integrity Commissioner to maintain governance of the City

Backgrounder



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City, Regional and Provincial Services

Your property taxes are used to fund programs and services at the city, regional and provincial level.

City Services	Regional Services	Province of Ontario
Fire and rescue services	York Regional Police	Education
Public works and road services	Maintenance of main/major roadways, sewers and bridges	
Snow removal on local roads and sidewalks	Snow removal on regional roads	
Waste collection	Traffic planning on regional roads	
Vaughan Public Libraries	Regional waste disposal	
Parks and sports field maintenance	Public health services	
Infrastructure replacement	Social assistance	
Recreation	Social housing	
Maintenance of City facilities	York Region Transit and Viva services	
City planning and development	Emergency medical services	
By-Law and compliance	Regional planning and growth management	
Licences and permits		
Animal Services		
Crossing guards		
Office support and administration		

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