# Strathcona County 2018 Consolidated Budget

Council Meeting November 20, 2017



#### **Presentation outline**

#### 2018 Consolidated Budget:

- Budget overview
- Operating budget highlights
- Capital budget highlights
- Summary



### What is a budget?

#### **Budget**

- a) A statement of the financial position of an administration for a definite period of time based on estimates of expenditures during the period and proposals for financing them;
- b) a plan for the coordination of resources and expenditures; and
- c) the amount of money that is available for, required for, or assigned to a particular purpose.

(Miriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, Ninth Edition. 1983)



### 2018 consolidated budget Budget creation fundamentals

- Financial manifestation of Council priorities as reflected in:
  - > The Strategic Plan
  - Corporate Business Plan
  - > Department business plans
- 2018 budget process
- Review/adjustment to historic spending patterns
- Re-distribution of freed up resources using PBB lens



### Operating budget highlights



### Operating budget philosophy

of prior year actual results to ensure accuracy

Continuous review for efficiencies to ensure good value for tax dollars

One-time funding sources will be used for one-time expenses

Environmental factors will be reviewed and adjusted

Budget
development
adheres to
Council direction
through
Strategic Plan
and Corporate
Business Plan

Operating Budget Sustainable financial resources will be set

Budget will be balanced and fiscally responsible



## Key recommendations 2018 operating budget

- Services and service delivery are maintained at current Council approved service levels
- Municipal tax dollar decrease of 2.18%
  - Reduction of (\$40.82) per year for the sample single family residential property (assessed at \$435,000)
  - ➤ where 1% municipal tax dollar equates to ~ \$2.163 million
- Utility rate increase of 1.32%
  - > Increase of \$1.66 per month (\$19.92 per year) for the average urban customer
    - Flow through of costs from EPCOR for water and the Alberta Capital Region Wastewater Commission for wastewater treatment charges.
  - ➤ where 1% utility rate equates to ~ \$440 thousand
- Library tax dollar decrease of 2.5%
  - ➤ where 1% library tax dollar equates to ~ \$97 thousand



#### Key recommendations 2018 operating budget

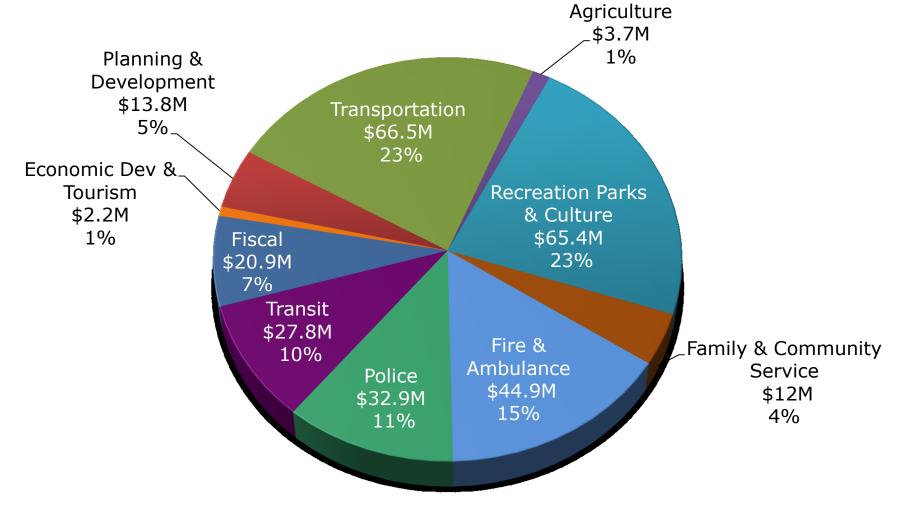
Strathcona County delivers a **balanced** and **fiscally responsible budget** that identifies the costs and resources required to continue with the provision of quality municipal, utility and library program and service delivery.

\$Millions	Municipal Operations		Utility Operations		Strathcona County Library		2018 Strathcona County	
Revenues	\$	277.3	\$	57.5	\$	10.5	\$	345.3
Expenses		293.1		58.2		10.5		361.8
Net Expenses		15.8		0.7		0.0		16.5
Non-Operating Items*		34.7		7.0		1.4		43.1
Non-Cash Adjustment								
(offset to amortization)		(50.5)	1	(7.7)		(1.4)		(59.6)
Net Impact for Budget		0.0		0.0		0.0		0.0

<sup>\*</sup> Non-operating items include transfers to/from reserve, and debt repayment.



## What municipal services cost 2018 Municipal Operating Budget - \$290.1M



Recommended 2018 Municipal Operating Budget includes expenditures of \$242.6M (excluding amortization of \$50.5M) and non-operating items of \$47.5M; corporate support services and Council costs have been allocated.

## **Service delivery factors Growth and inflation highlights**

#### Growth:

- Green spaces grass cutting, weed control
- Trails and Roads maintenance
- Facilities utilities, janitorial, maintenance
- User Fees recreation facilities, planning and development fees

#### Inflation/Deflation:

- Supplies fuel deflation (1.1%), protective clothing 5%, computer software 2%
- Insurance deflation (7%)
- Utilities Supplies water purchased for resale 3%, sewer treatment for resale 4%
- Utilities electricity 2%, natural gas 8%
- Contracts security contracts deflation (7%), RCMP contract 6%



## Where the money comes from 2018 Municipal Operating Budget - \$290.1M

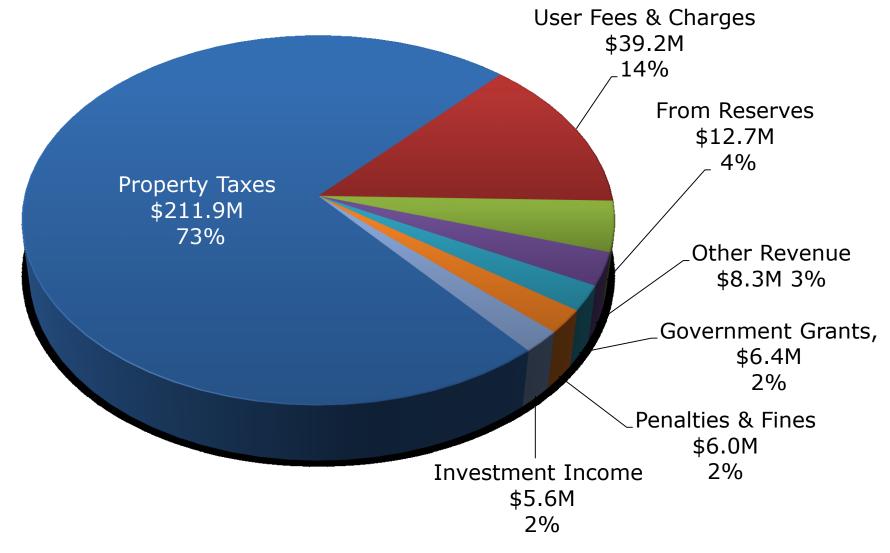
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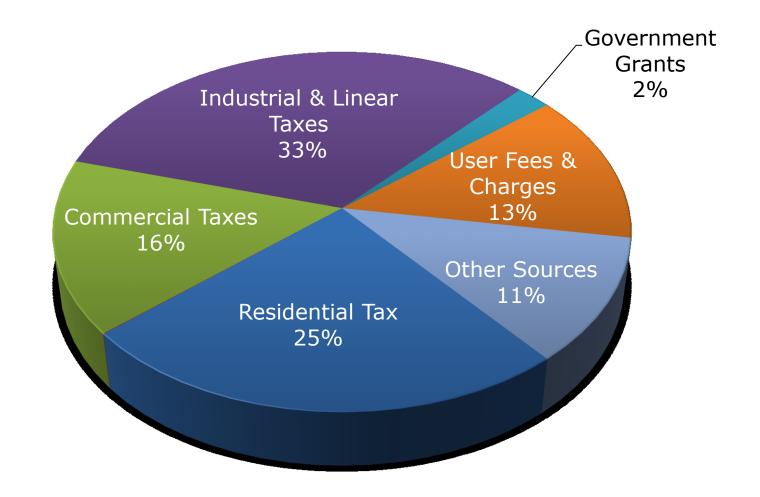
transfers of \$12.7





### Municipal residential property taxes Contribute 25% towards supporting municipal services

(Municipal operations



Other Sources includes local improvement charges, interest income, fines and penalties, transfers from reserves, and other revenues.



### Sample residential property

### Impact of a 2.18% Municipal Property Tax Decrease on Sample Residential Property

Property Type	ļ			ınicipal es 2017	•		Annual Change		Percent Change
Single Family Home	\$	435,000	\$	1,872	\$	1,832	\$	(41)	(2.18%)



#### Sample non-residential properties

### Impact of a 2.18% Municipal Property Tax Decrease on Sample Non-Residential Properties

Property Type	Assessed Value	Municipal Taxes 2017	Municipal Taxes 2018	Annual Change	Percent Change	
Warehouse	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 17,252	\$ 16,876	\$ (376)	(2.18%)	
Office	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 43,129	\$ 42,189	\$ (940)	(2.18%)	
Retail	\$10,000,000	\$ 86,258	\$ 84,378	\$ (1,880)	(2.18%)	



### Capital budget highlights



### Capital budget philosophy

Maintenance of current infrastructure is a priority and funded annually to avoid infrastructure deficits

Projects for sustainable and beneficial growth will be continually reviewed and recommended

Federal and
Provincial
mandates/
legislation will be
followed

**Capital Budget** 

Projects that provide strategic benefit will be sought out and considered

Sustainable and responsible long term funding strategies are developed and in accordance with established policies

Capital will be maintained to ensure public safety



### Key recommendations 2018 capital budget

- Recommended capital budget for 2018 is \$68.9M
  - ➤ Municipal operations = \$64.9M
  - Utility operations = \$3.4M
  - Library operations = \$0.6M

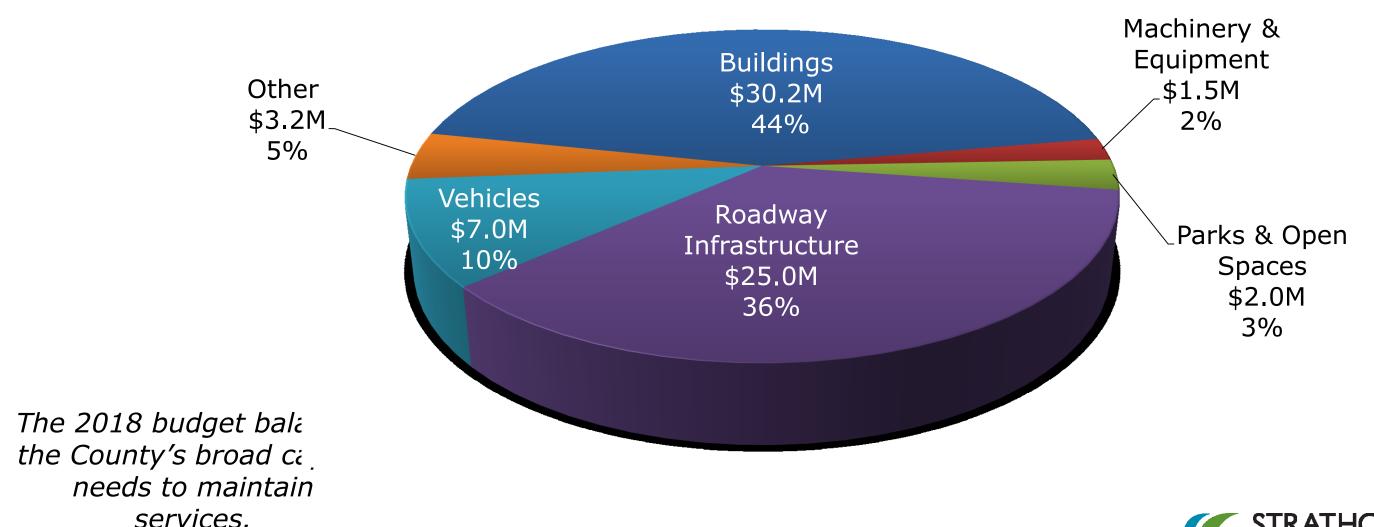
#### Debt recommendation

\$14.5M for the Multi-Use Agriculture Facility – Outdoor Amenities and Servicing



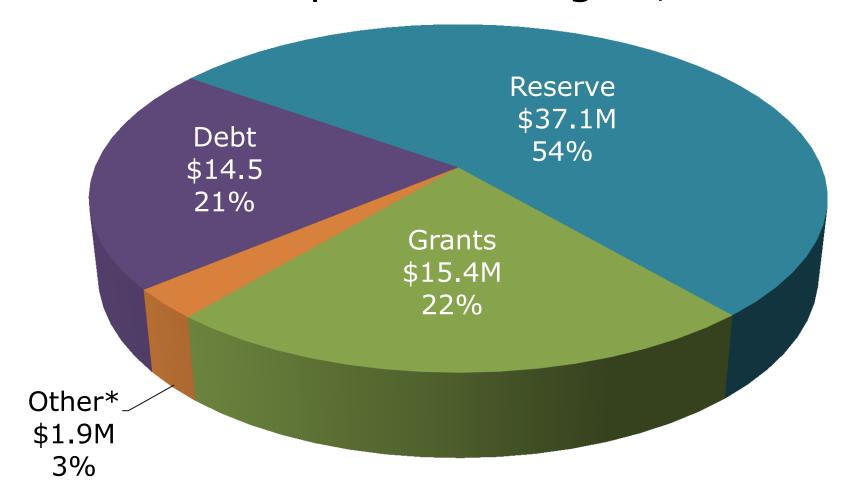
## Capital budget by asset type Municipal, Utility, Library operations

2018 Capital Budget by asset type - \$68.9M



## Capital budget funding Municipal, Utility, Library operations

2018 Capital Funding - \$68.9M

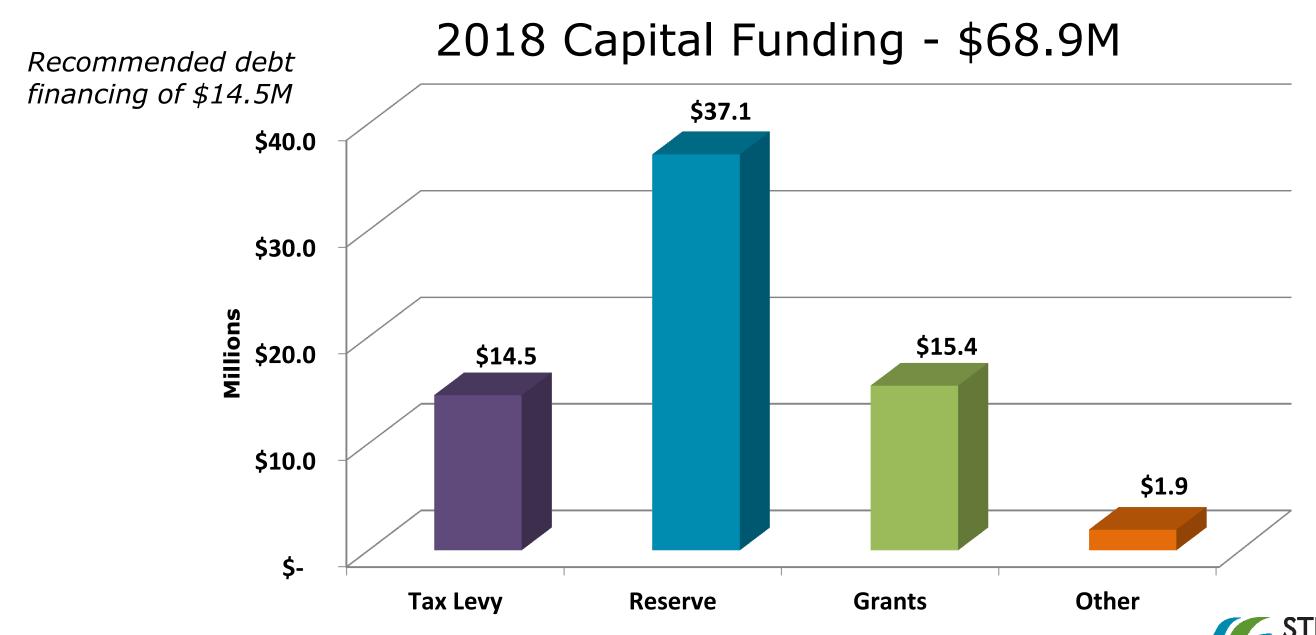


Recommended debt financing of \$14.5M



#### Capital budget funding Municipal, Utility, Library operations

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes developer contributions and contribution in aide of construction

#### Summary

The 2018 Budget achieves the objectives of delivering balanced and fiscally responsible operating and capital budgets that...

- Reflect the programs and services required to meet current and emerging resident, business and industry needs
- Identify and allocate resources necessary to respond to and meet program and service delivery requirements
- Continue to invest in community quality of life



### Questions?

