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2021-2022 Biennial Budget Adopted by City Council \$40 Million – Two Year Budget Keeps City in a Strong Fiscal Position

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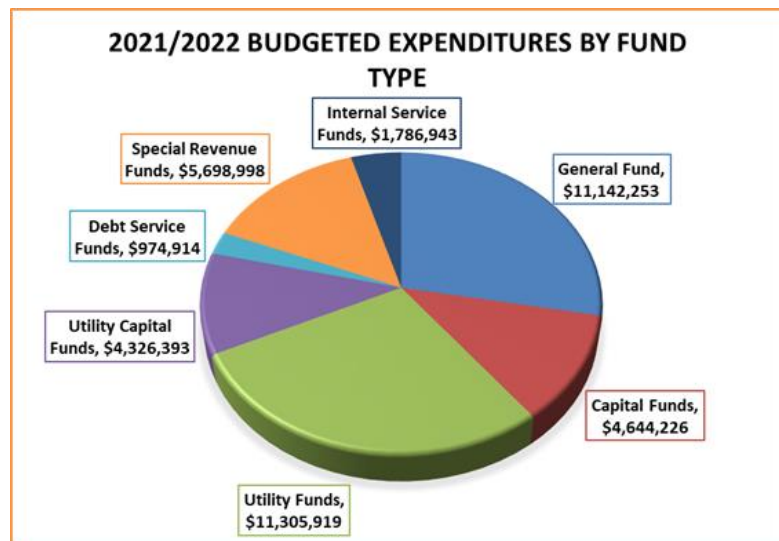
DUVALL, Wash. – At the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 15th, Mayor Amy Ockerlander and staff presented the City Council with the final version of Duvall’s second biennial, or two-year, budget. After some final discussion; the budget document was unanimously adopted by the City Council who had spent more than two-months reviewing and discussing modifications since the budget was initially presented by the Mayor to the public on October 6th 2020.

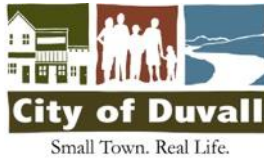
As a full-service city, Duvall provides public safety, community development (encompassing planning and building) public works (engineering, streets, sewer, water, storm and parks), utility billing and administration services. The budget largely maintained status quo and continued a laser focus on the basic needs of our City, infrastructure and community.

To this point, Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Remington noted “The 2020 citizen survey played an important role in focusing funding on key priorities including Public Safety, transportation and sidewalk improvements, maintaining our water, wastewater, stormwater and public facility infrastructure and caring for our prized parks, trails and open spaces.” He also went on to emphasize “The City remains committed to preserving our small-town character even as we endeavor to manage the inevitable challenges we all face with a growing community.”

As in the previous biennium, this budget continues to focus on financing unfunded mandates, funding deferred maintenance of city facilities & equipment, and brings the City another step further to achieving the appropriate staffing levels to continue to provide the high-levels of service our community has come to expect as the population and infrastructure grows.

Mayor Amy Ockerlander remarks that “this is an exciting budget for our community: we have once again boosted our savings for future projects, maintenance and emergencies, and invested in the ongoing maintenance and operations of the City.”





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“Today, we are in the best position financially in at least 20-years, providing an opportunity to catch up on items that were postponed due to years with less certain budgets.”

Even with the difficulty of COVID-19; discussions around the budget benefitted from high levels of transparency with each special budget meeting, hearings, and public discussion available on video posted to the City’s YouTube channel. Countless hours were spent by staff preparing documents and engaging with Council and City Administration to ensure a balanced budget.

Both Mayor Ockerlander and the City Council, wish to thank Finance Staff and Department Directors for their outstanding public service and hard work put into preparing the 2021-2022 budget.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

2021-2022 Preliminary Budget Book

<http://www.duvallwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6560/20212022-Preliminary-Budget-Book>

Finance Department Budget webpage

<http://www.duvallwa.gov/356/Budget>

Or, search for “City of Duvall Video” on YouTube