



ADMINISTRATION REPORT

To: Red Deer County Council
From: Corporate Services
Date: November 28, 2018
Re: 2019-2021 Red Deer County Budget

Administration is pleased to bring to Council, Red Deer County's multi-year budget representing the 2019-2021 Operating (3 year) and the 2019-2023 Capital (5 year) budgets for final approval. The following documents outline these Red Deer County budgets.

1. 2019-2021 Overall Consolidated Budget
2. 2019-2021 Net Service Level Budget
3. 2019-2023 Capital Plan & Key Initiatives
4. 2019-2021 Projected Reserve Position

At the November 13, 2018 Council meeting, Administration brought this budget to Council for consideration. At that time, it was tabled for public input. Administration has not heard any comments from the public regarding this tabled budget. A media release was sent out to the public and details were posted on our website, Facebook and Twitter feeds.

In summary, the following is the breakdown of the total gross expenditures:

	2018 (projected)	2019	2020	2021
Capital	\$30,640,808	\$24,476,670	\$24,148,855	\$21,338,080
Operating	<u>46,893,951</u>	<u>51,173,216</u>	<u>50,564,957</u>	<u>50,486,424</u>
Total	\$77,534,759	\$75,649,886	\$74,713,812	\$71,824,504

Key Initiatives for 2019 and beyond:

- Bridge repairs 5 year average - \$3.9M
- Big Bend Airport upgrades - \$501,000 (2019), \$575,000 (2020)
- Old highway 21 to Delburne - \$2.6M
- Township Road 370 -\$4.6M
- Junction 42 Utilities - \$1.7M
- Transit & Bus Shelters - \$850,000
- Rural Broadband - \$500,000
- Range Road 272 - \$3.4M
- Township Road 354 (aka Little Red) rebuild & base pave- \$5M (2020), \$5M (2021)
- Lake Street urbanization - \$2.6M
- Lantern Street - \$2.2M
- Range Road 13 - \$2.5M
- Laura Ave pathway - \$265,000

This budget ties in very closely to the Strategic Plan for the County – maintaining (and in some cases enhancing) current services levels as well as preparing for future development. An integral component to the budget is maintenance of our current infrastructure such as bridges, roads, buildings and Utility systems. It does use a significant draw on reserves, which in the long term is not sustainable, however, it is temporary and fully within the intent of the reserves. As always, we look forward to responding to your concerns and questions.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Clarify any questions or concerns you may have and approve the 2019-2021 Operating budget and the 2018-2023 Capital budget as presented.

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