

# WARD 7

## CITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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### MESSAGE FROM COUNCILLOR JEEWEN GILL

Dear Residents of Ward 7,

I hope you are all doing well and continuing to stay safe and healthy through these unprecedented times. I would like to take a moment to sincerely thank you all for your support and confidence in me as your representative for Ward 7.

This past year has presented our community with many challenges due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, our community stayed strong and stayed home. The first and second phases of vaccination have been advancing successfully and we are progressing towards fully overcoming this pandemic.

This year at the council table we achieved a 0% tax levy increase. I was able to secure funding to:

- **Continue the Banwell Road Construction**
- **Upgrade our Parks and Trails**
- **Improve SandPoint Beach**

City council has approved a Traffic Calming Policy that provides the framework to assess, design, and implement calming measures on primarily residential streets. Currently, a Vision Zero Action Plan is being prepared to be presented to council. My primary focus remains increasing the safety, investing in leisure, and infrastructure for our Ward! I will continue to fight for funds in the capital budget to make these things possible.

I am committed to connecting with you and ensuring that your voices are heard at the council table. I will continue to raise your concerns and make improvements to our Ward. As always, if you have any issues or questions, please feel free to call or send me an e-mail at anytime.

Sincerely,  
Jeewen Gill  
Ward 7 City Councillor

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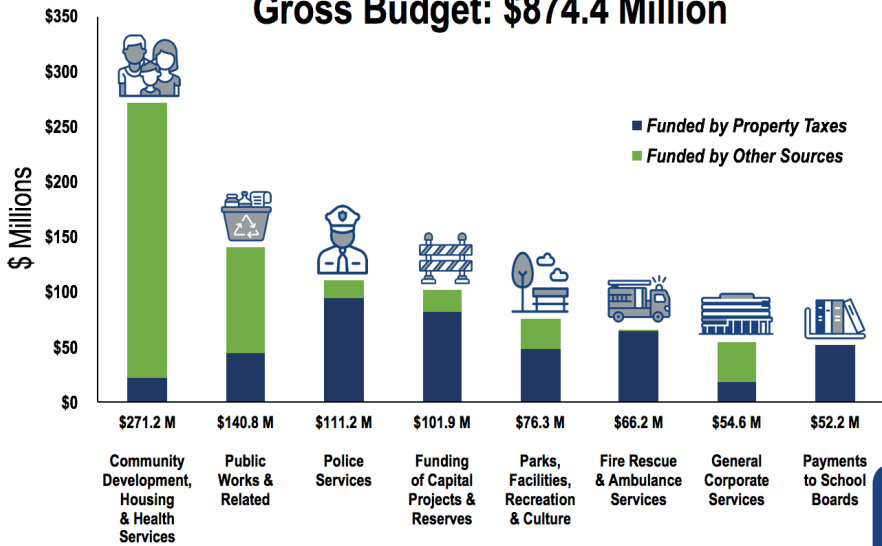
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[WWW.JEEWENGILL.CA](http://WWW.JEEWENGILL.CA)

# BUDGET 2021

## 2021 Recommended Municipal Gross Operating Expenditures by Function

Gross Budget: \$874.4 Million



DUE TO THE PANDEMIC THERE WAS A DECREASED AMOUNT OF REVENUE COMING FROM EXISTING ASSETS SUCH AS THE CASINO, AIRPORT, TUNNEL, AND OTHER TRANSIT.

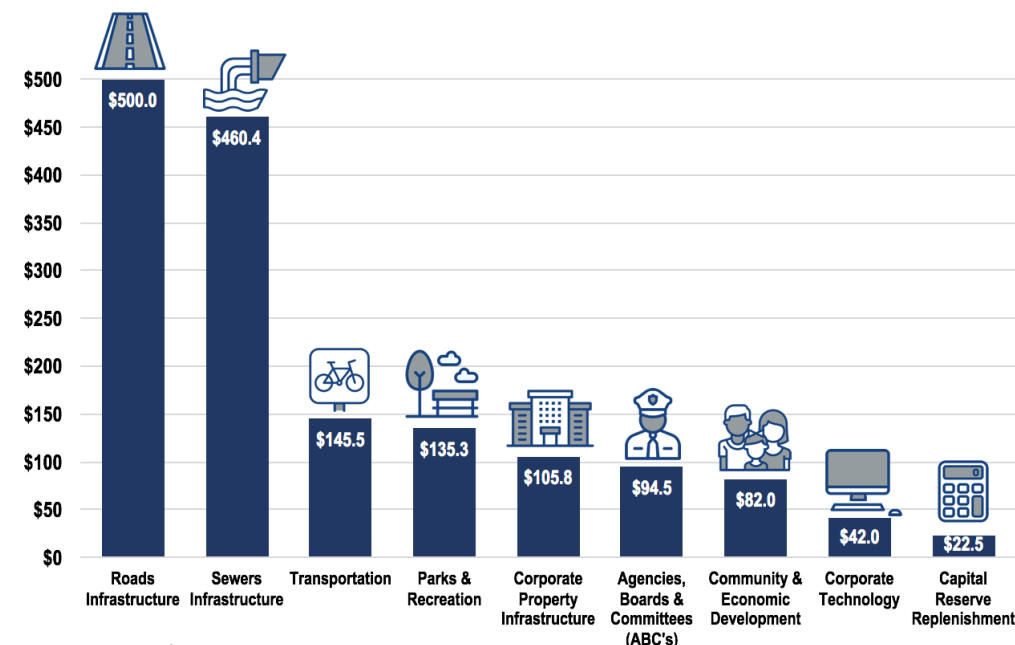
NONETHELESS, WE WERE ABLE TO CONTINUE INVESTING IN PROJECTS SUCH AS: INFRASTRUCTURE FOR ROADS, SEWERS, TRANSPORTATION, AND PARKS!

2021 BUDGET



## 2021 Capital Budget

Approved 10-Year Plan Approximately \$1.6 Billion



Totals shown in \$ Millions

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# WARD 7 UPDATES

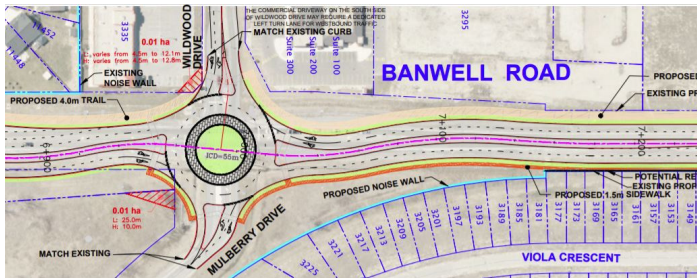
## TRAILS & TREES

- TWO NEW BRIDGES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO TRAILS AT TEEDIE PARK AND MCHUGH. THESE BRIDGES SERVE AS CONNECTIONS FOR GREATER PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND CONVENIENCE.
- NEW TREES WERE PLANTED ALONG LITTLE RIVER TRAIL AND FLORENCE AVENUE.



## ROAD SAFETY & BUS

- A NEW BUS ROUTE WILL BE ADDED FROM FOREST GLADE TO ST. CLAIR HELPING STUDENTS DECREASE COMMUTE TIME STARTING THIS SEPTEMBER.
- A VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN IS CURRENTLY BEING PREPARED WHICH WILL CONSIDER SPEED REDUCTIONS ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS.
- REQUEST A SLOW DOWN SIGN TODAY BY EMAILING ME OR CALLING 311.



## BANWELL CONSTRUCTION

- THE FIRST PHASE OF THE MUCH NEEDED BANWELL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT HAS CONCLUDED AND FUNDING FOR THE SECOND PHASE HAS BEEN APPROVED IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET.
- IT IS PROJECTED TO COMMENCE IN THE COMING YEAR. A FOUR LANE ROUNDABOUT WILL BE ADDED AT THE MULBERRY AND BANWELL INTERSECTION.

## PARK UPGRADES

- FOREST GLADE PARK WILL BE SEEING UPGRADES ACROSS THE BOARD. THIS FALL, CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW APPROVED TENNIS COURTS AND THE ADDITION OF PICKLE BALL COURTS WILL COMMENCE. FUNDING HAS ALSO PERMITTED THE ADDITION OF NEW WASHROOMS AND A SPLASH PAD. THESE FACILITIES WILL BRING NEW LEISURE ACTIVITIES TO OUR WARD!
- AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE NEARBY APARTMENT CONSTRUCTION, ELIZABETH KISHKON PARK WILL SEE THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARKING LOT. WASHROOMS WILL ALSO BE ADDED IN THE COMING YEAR.



# OTHER UPDATES



## BLUE HERON FISHING PROHIBITED

- A REMINDER THAT AS PER BY-LAW 131-2019 SECTION 4.11 (1), IT IS PROHIBITED TO FISH IN THE BLUE HERON AND ASPEN LAKE PONDS
- THE LEFTOVER HOOKS ARE CAUSING HARM TO OTHER WILDLIFE IN THE PARKS
- PARENTS PLEASE MAKE A NOTE TO REMIND KIDS AND EDUCATE THEM TO STOP FISHING AT THIS LOCATION TO PRESERVE THE NATURAL ECO-SYSTEM IN OUR WARD
- NEW SIGNS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED FOR COMMUNITY AWARENESS, PLEASE FOLLOW AND ABIDE BY THEM

## CURRENT ISSUES SURVEY

- PLEASE VISIT MY WEBSITE: [JEEWENGILL.CA](http://JEEWENGILL.CA) TO FILL OUT A CURRENT ISSUES SURVEY
- IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST A MEETING TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM ON MY WEBSITE OR EMAIL/CALL ME DIRECTLY

## COFFEE WITH YOUR COUNCILLOR

- EVERY OTHER SATURDAY BEGINNING THE 14TH OF AUGUST, FROM 10AM-12PM, WILL BEGIN COFFEE WITH YOUR COUNCILLOR
- MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE FOREST GLADE TIM HORTONS
- COME CHAT, DRINK COFFEE, AND DISCUSS ISSUES! PLEASE SIGN UP ON MY WEBSITE

## SANDPOINT BEACH

- ADVANCED FUNDING FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY COUNCIL TO INCREASE SAFETY AND ENHANCE SANDPOINT BEACH

## HOSPITAL

- THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW REGIONAL ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL AT THE COUNTY ROAD 42 LOCATION, HAS BEEN SUPPORTED BY CITY COUNCIL
- CURRENTLY IN STAGE 2 OF 5 WHICH WILL TAKE BETWEEN 18-24 MONTHS
- STAGE 2 INVOLVES DEVELOPING A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE NEW SYSTEM WILL OPERATE (STAFFING, EQUIPMENT, WORKFLOW FOR PATIENTS), DESIGNING THE LAYOUT, AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

## RESIDENT MEETINGS THAT HAVE OCCURED:

- CHATEAU AVE MEETING FOR SIDEWALKS
- JARVIS STREET FOR WYANDOTTE EXTENSION
- BLUE HURON RESIDENTS FOR SAFETY AND IMPROVEMENT
- PICKLE-BALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION
- TENNIS PLAYERS ASSOCIATION
- DIRT BIKERS
- LITTLE RIVER GOLF COURSE
- IF YOU HAVE A GROUP ISSUE, PLEASE EMAIL/CALL TO SET UP A GROUP MEETING

## LEISURE ACTIVITIES

- LITTLE RIVER GOLF COURSE IS NOW OPEN
- TENNIS + BASKETBALL COURTS, SKATEPARKS, AND SOCCER FIELDS ARE OPEN
- PICNIC TABLES AND SITES ARE OPEN
- THE FAIRY GROVE IS OPEN AT ELIZABETH KISHKON PARK

IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN RELATED TO ANY OF THE MATTERS LISTED BELOW, PLEASE CALL AND REPORT TO **311** FOR IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE:

- SNOW PLOWING
- GARBAGE COLLECTION & RECYCLING
- ROAD MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION
- SEWERS, DRAINAGE OR BASEMENT FLOODING ISSUES



- PARKS MAINTENANCE & FORESTRY
- POTHOLES, SIDEWALK REPAIRS, ROAD HAZARDS
- WALKWAYS/PATHWAYS MAINTENANCE
- PROPERTY STANDARD COMPLAINTS