

CITY OF GRAND FORKS COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 25, 2020



Settle down.

#1. FINANCIAL PLAN

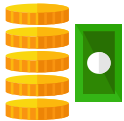
Council directed staff to implement strategies, ranked by priority, in the development of the second draft of the financial plan in order to provide a balanced budget:

1. Include opportunities to offset both 2020 and 2021 operational and capital expenditures eligible under the COVID-19 safe restart grants for Local Governments.
2. Implement a moderate electrical fee increase to partially offset the 4.36% increase set by Fortis.
3. Utilize current year contributions to reserves to fund current year capital projects.
4. Include a moderate property tax increase
5. Reduce the number of, and value of, proposed capital projects.



#2. EARLY BUDGET APPROVAL

Council approved two early budget requests relating to health and safety: roof replacement at the Public Works Yard as the current roof is systematically failing, and surveillance camera capital project to help secure City-owned properties from theft and vandalism.



#3. COMMUNITY CENTRE

Council decided to defer consideration of the community centre until the 2022 budgeting sessions due to uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic potentially affecting the proposed project, and the existing scope of the DMAF-related projects.



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