

Rocky View County's 2026 OPERATING BUDGET

Rocky View County's 2026 Operating Budget is being developed to promote responsible economic growth and align with the priorities outlined in the Council's Strategic Plan. The budget is structured around four main pillars: Effective Service Delivery, Financial Prosperity, Thoughtful Growth, and the Rocky View Lifestyle.

Effective Service Delivery

- The 2026 budget process introduced enhancements to manage and deliver services more efficiently and transparently.
- The new Multi-Year Budgeting Policy is supported by new fiscal policies to ensure services can be planned with a longer-term focus.
- These steps aim to keep service levels high and support satisfaction for residents.

Financial Prosperity

- To promote stable finances as the County grows, new policies for asset management, capital projects, and multi-year budgeting were established, including: Asset Management Policy C-708, Capital Budget Policy C-707, and Multi-Year Budgeting Policy C-709.
- The creation of a new Capital Committee brings more oversight to how the County plans and prioritizes short and longer-term investments.
- Together with current tax and reserve policies, these changes make financial planning clearer and more sustainable.

Thoughtful Growth

- The 2026 preliminary budget was built to manage rising costs from inflation and invest in economic development, new equipment, and growth initiatives.
- These investments support the County's land use and development goals and protects what makes Rocky View special.

Rocky View Lifestyle

- Budgeting for parks, community safety, and recreational amenities helps maintain the rural, active, and welcoming spirit of Rocky View County.

Division-specific budget changes reflect the cost pressures and funding needs for services, but do not yet include the Capital Committee's upcoming recommendations about reserves, debt, or taxes. These will be discussed at a Special Council Meeting in December.



Operating Budget by Division

	2025 Budget (approved)	2026 Budget (proposed)	Net Changes
Council	-	-	-
Chief Administrative Office	1,948,300	1,868,200	(80,100)
Financial & Business Services	11,034,400	10,813,400	(221,000)
Community Services	9,807,600	10,827,300	1,019,700
Corporate Services	1,074,400	1,217,737	143,337
Infrastructure Services	69,626,600	63,987,214	(5,639,386)
Subtotal	93,491,300	88,713,851	(4,777,449)
Property Taxes/Emergency Services Levy	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUE	-	-	-
Council	1,247,100	1,256,100	9,000
Chief Administrative Office	12,626,800	12,974,398	347,598
Financial & Business Services	22,832,100	25,705,075	2,872,975
Community Services	18,340,200	19,329,350	989,150
Corporate Services	14,800,500	14,479,600	(320,900)
Infrastructure Services	133,724,600	128,845,083	(4,879,517)
Subtotal	203,571,300	202,589,606	(981,694)
External Requisition	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSE	-	-	-