

Edmonton

# Fall 2024 Supplemental Budget Adjustment

November 13, 2024 City Council

Financial and Corporate Services

FCS02529 - Fall 2024 Supplemental Operating Budget Adjustment

FCS02530 - Fall 2024 Supplemental Capital Budget Adjustment

FCS02532 - Fall Carbon Budget Update

FCS02716 - Review of the Multi-year Budgeting Policy - C578

#### Introduction

#### 2022

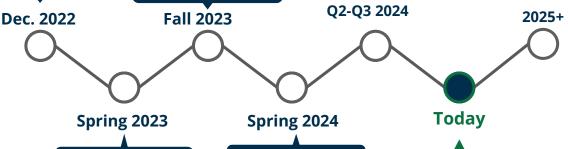
Over the year, Council discussed budget development reports covering topics such as:

- Priorities & Strategies
- Tax Tolerance
- Police funding
- 10-year capital
   & operating
   investment
   outlooks
- Renewal fund

Four-year Operating & Capital Budgets, and 10-year Capital Plan approved  First fall supplemental adjustment

 Related reports include Sept 30 financial updates & climate fund, renewal fund consideration Budget discussions regarding structural budget challenges, non-residential development, other fiscal gap concerns Last supplemental adjustments

 Additional information for "Fiscal Gap Strategies"



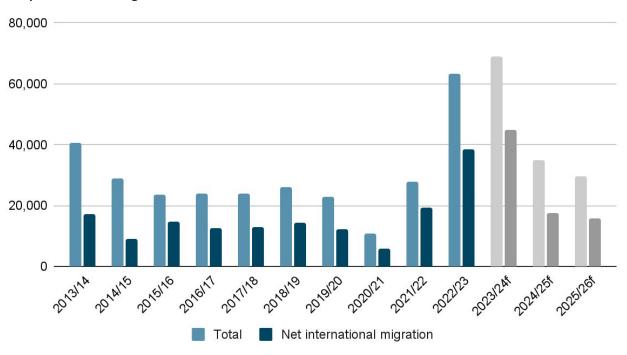
- First spring supplemental adjustment
- Related reports include Dec 31 financial updates & police funding formula
- Second spring supplemental adjustment
- Related reports include Dec 31 financial updates

Decision for Remainder of 2024-2026 Cycle



### **Economic Update**

#### Population change - Edmonton CMA



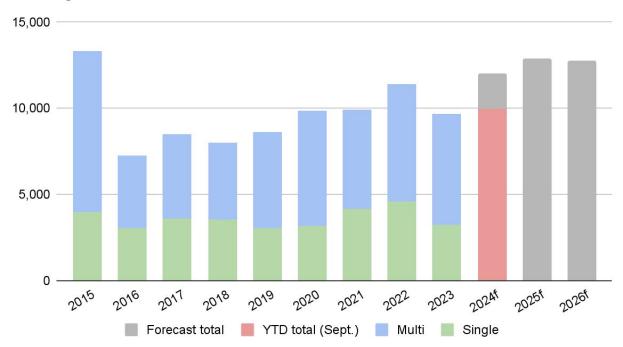
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Sources: Statistics Canada, City of Edmonton, and Stokes Economics

Notes: "f"=forecast; light grey columns represent forecast for total population change and dark grey columns represent forecast for net international migration.

### **Economic Update**

#### Housing starts - Edmonton

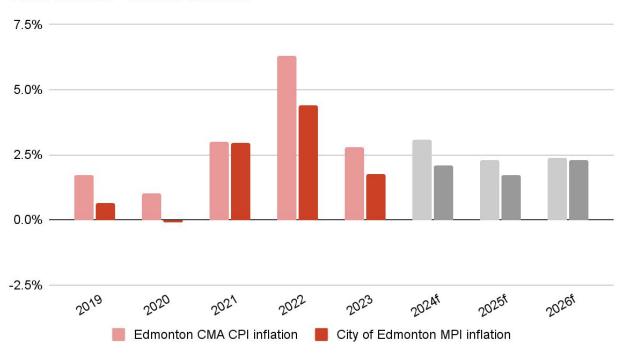




Sources: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, City of Edmonton, and Stokes Economics Notes: "f"=forecast; multi includes semi-detached, row, apartment and other dwelling types.

### **Economic Update**

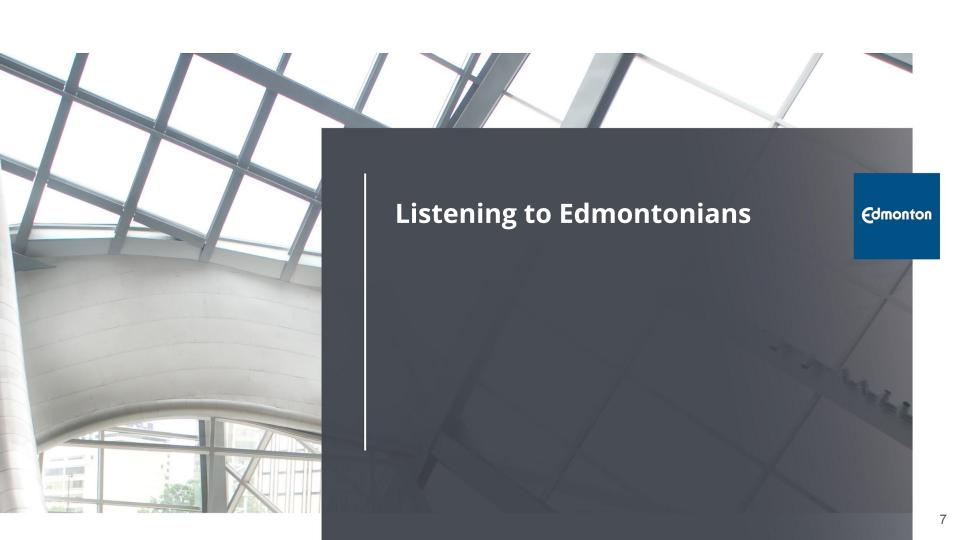
#### Price inflation - select indicators



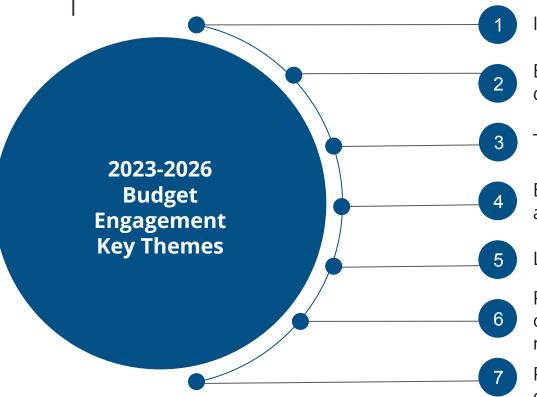
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### 2023-2026 budget engagement



Improve community safety

Edmontonians face financial pressures due to rising living costs

Transit safety and connectivity are key

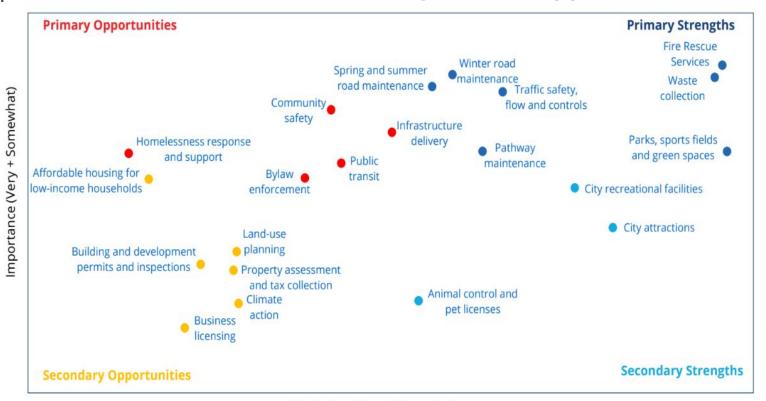
Edmontonians want to connect and celebrate their city

Long-term climate solutions are needed

Participants are concerned about overlapping government responsibilities

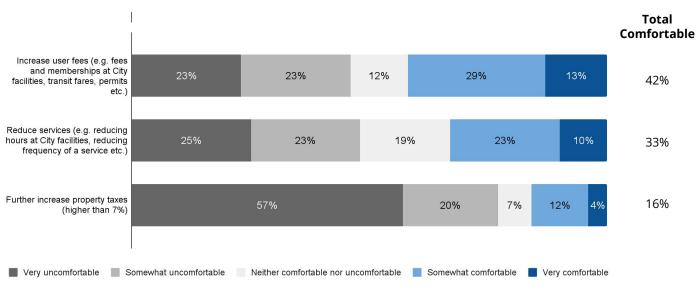
Participants empathize with those disproportionately affected by service reductions or fee increases

### **Service Satisfaction 2024 - Strengths and Opportunities**



### Fall 2024 Public Opinion Research

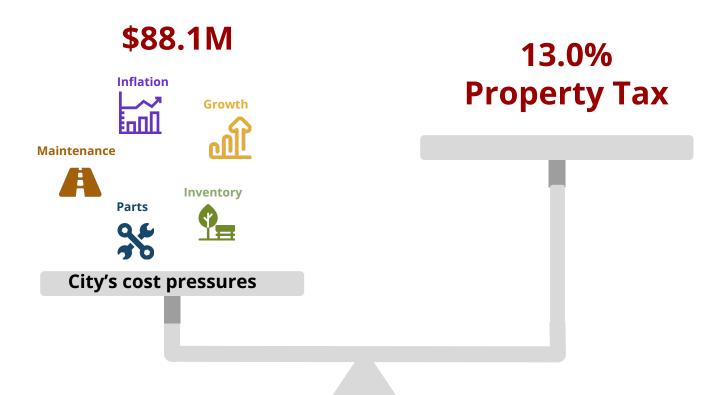
- Most comfortable with increases in user fees (42%), followed by service reductions (33%).
- Least comfortable with a further increase in taxes above what was already approved (16%).



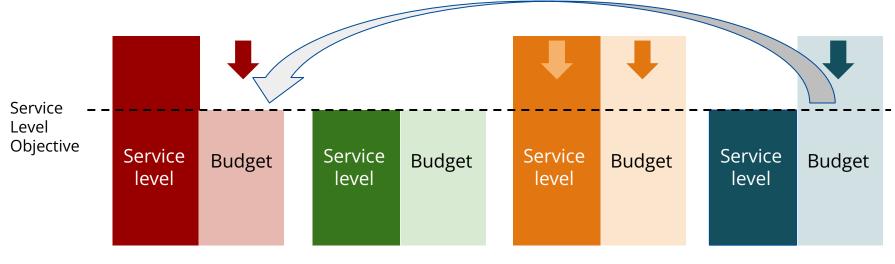




### **Balancing the Budget - Rising Costs**







Misalignment between service level and budget creates budget pressure Service levels and budget are aligned and no changes required Service levels and budget are aligned but there are opportunities to lower service standard and budget

Service levels are being met below budget; opportunity to reallocate budget to other services

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### **Structural Budget Variances**

Annual net budget variance \$000s favourable/(unfavourable)	Total Identified	Tax levy impact	Addressed through Fall 2024 SOBA	Left to Address	Tax levy impact
Inflationary	(23,931)	1.1%	23,816	(115)	0.0%
Revenue Shortfalls	(19,174)	0.9%	0	(19,174)	0.9%
External Factors	(21,368)	1.0%	1,820	(19,548)	0.9%
Administration or Council directed	(23,637)	1.1%	3,310	(20,327)	0.9%
Total	(88,110)	4.1%	28,946	(59,164)	2.8%



### **Financial Risks**

Address structural budget challenges and safeguard essential services for Edmontonians





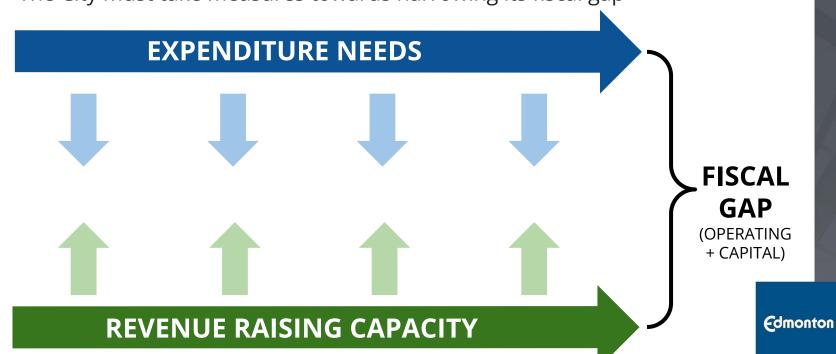
### Tax Levy Reductions

Opt for short-term tax relief at the expense of long-term financial stability and the risk of even deeper service cuts in the future



### **Narrowing the Fiscal Gap**

The City must take measures towards narrowing its fiscal gap





### **Balancing the Budget - Proposed Balance**









Revenue



**Revenues** 



Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	2025		2026	
Approved Tax Increase (Spring 2024 SOBA)		7.0%		6.3%
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Changes to economic forecasts	(8.8)	(0.4)	(3.5)	(0.2)
External Factors/Changes to Legislation	10.3	0.5	0.0	0.0
Impacts Managed Internally	(4.3)	(0.2)	4.0	0.2
FSR Repayment plan	21.5	1.0	23.3	1.0
Adjustments to Financial Strategies	5.8	0.3	0.5	0.0
Recommendations in Fall SOBA	24.6	1.1%	24.3	1.0%
Proposed Tax Levy Increase Fall 2024 SOBA		8.1%		7.3%

# **2025-2026 Proposed Adjustments Changes to Economic Forecasts**

Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	20	25	20	26
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Increased Taxation Revenues	(12.1)	(0.56)	(1.9)	(0.08)
Increased Taxation Penalties	(6.2)	(0.29)	(1.7)	(0.07)
Increased Taxation Appeals	2.0	0.09	0.3	0.01
Increased EPCOR Dividend	(8.0)	(0.37)	0.0	0.00
Increased Franchise Fees	(8.0)	(0.37)	0.0	0.00
Decreased Utilities	(2.5)	(0.12)	(0.3)	(0.01)
Increased Community Recreation Facilities revenues	(1.8)	(0.08)	0.0	0.00
Inflationary increases on parts, fuel, materials, tires and contract work	19.7	0.92	0.0	0.00
Changes to economic forecasts	(16.8)	(0.78)	(3.5)	(0.15)

Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	20	2025		26
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Employee Benefit Plans Rate Changes	5.2	0.24	0.0	0.00
Bill 20 Update and 2025 Edmonton Election Budget Adjustment	3.1	0.14	0.0	0.00
Changes to WCB Premiums	1.5	0.07	0.0	0.00
EPS Funding Formula	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00
Illegal Dumping	0.6	0.03	0.0	0.00
External Factors/Changes to Legislation	10.3	0.48	0.0	0.00



Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	20	2025		26
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Utility Cut Program - Stranded Fixed Costs	2.0	0.10	0.0	0.00
Bird Nest Sweeps	0.5	0.02	0.0	0.00
CRC Facility Maintenance	0.9	0.04	0.0	0.00
Orange Hub Operating Expenses	0.3	0.01	0.0	0.00
Parking Enforcement Contract Costs	0.5	0.02	0.0	0.00
Software Licensing and Maintenance Costs	0.0	0.00	2.7	0.12
Rent Revenue Operating Costs	0.0	0.00	1.3	0.05
Impacts Managed Internally - Additions	4.2	0.19	4.0	0.17

Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	20	2025		26
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Reduction of Community Energy Transition Strategy Program	(1.8)	(0.08)	0.0	0.00
Reduction of Heritage Program Management by 25%	(0.4)	(0.02)	0.0	0.00
Shifting funding source of select compliance and enforcement activities to PDBM	(1.2)	(0.05)	0.0	0.00
Reduction of Management Initiative Fund	(1.0)	(0.05)	0.0	0.00
Other ongoing reductions managed internally	(0.7)	(0.03)	0.0	0.00
In private	(3.5)	(0.16)	0.0	0.00
Impacts Managed Internally - Ongoing Reductions	(8.5)	(0.39)	0.0	0.00

### **FSR Repayment Plan**

Option	Payback term	2025 Tax Levy Increase	2026 Tax Levy Increase	Cumulative Tax-Levy Revenues Generated (\$ millions)	Total FSR Repayment Required (\$millions)
1	3 years (2027)	1.6%		\$103.1 (by 2027)	\$102.7
2 (Proposed)	3 years (2027)	1.0%	1.0%	\$111.1 (by 2027)	\$102.7
3	5 years (2029)	1.1%		\$118.2 (by 2029)	\$114.8
4	5 years (2029)	0.6%	0.6%	\$120.5 (by 2029)	\$114.8

\$ millions		2	025	
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Administrative Adjustments				
SSSF adjustments	(8.8)	(8.8)	0.0	0.00
Hydrogen Pilot Project - ERA Grant Funding	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.00
One-Time Servicing Study (requires exemption to Policy C610)	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.00
Shift \$515k of membership fees for FCM and Alberta Municipalities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00
Other Adjustments - for information				
EPS - ECOMB	2.2	2.2	0.0	0.00
EPS - ALERT	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.00
Total	(3.0)	(3.0)	0.0	0.0

### **Impact on a Typical Homeowner**

Where Your Municipal Tax Dollars Go

PER DAY









Library & Other ABCs

\$ 0.18 PER DAY

Social Development



\$ 0.66日

Capital

Purchases

\$0.73 駅

Neighbourhood Renewal

\$0.44 既

Community Services and Attractions





City Governance

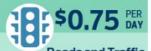


\$0.68 PER DAY

Corporate Support

\$0.92 PER DAY

Corporate **Expenditures** 



Roads and Traffic Management

\$0.56 PER DAY

Operational Support

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# **Unfunded Service Packages** (For Council Consideration)

Incremental Net Tax Levy Impact	2025		2026	
	\$ millions	Tax change (%)	\$ millions	Tax change (%)
Council Directed	23.3	1.08	(0.1)	(0.01)
Growth on Existing Services	0.9	0.04	0.0	0.00
Agencies, Boards and Commissions	6.5	0.30	2.1	0.09
<b>Unfunded Service Packages</b>	30.6	1.43	2.0	0.08
Council Directed - Addendums	20.9	0.97	10.0	0.43
<b>Total Unfunded Service Packages</b>	51.5	2.40	11.9	0.51



### Options to address the Transit Fare Revenue Gap

Annual \$13.0 million Transit fare revenue gap could be addressed by a combination of the following:

One-time use of LRT Reserve

Defer planned improvements

Revisit fare prices

Tax levy



### **New Announcements Since Budget Release**



### Dividend

- Fall 2024 SOBA released
- EPCOR announced and increase to the dividend of \$8M.
- Provides additional funding options during Council deliberations

### **Franchise Fees**

- Utility Committee passed a motion to increase the electricity franchise fee rate to 17.65%
- ➤ If approved by Council the 17.65% will generate
  - \$9.7 million in 2025
  - \$3.5 million in 2026



### Ongoing operating funding options and implications

01	Increase Property Taxes	Risk of impacting Edmontonians ability to afford property taxes
02	Increase User Fees	<ul> <li>Subjected to price elasticity of demand</li> <li>Must be reasonably related to the cost of the service</li> <li>Should be used to resolve structural budget variances</li> </ul>
03	Unfund a Funded Service Package	Limits the ability to react to service demands.
04	Reduce or Eliminate Existing Services	<ul> <li>May impact quality of services currently being delivered to Edmontonians, and/or create subsequent unintended impacts</li> </ul>
05	CSWB Funds remaining in 2025 and 2026	Depletes the remainder of CSWB funding available for emerging initiatives in the future
06	EPCOR Dividend	<ul> <li>New ongoing funding starting 2025 included in financial strategies</li> <li>Resolving structural budget variances without increasing taxes</li> <li>Reduce taxes</li> </ul>
07	OP-12 Funds	Available for reallocation, reduction of tax levy, resolving structural budget variances
08	Increased Franchise Fees (Pending Council approval)	<ul> <li>Pending Council approval, new ongoing funding in 2025 would be available for reallocation or reduction of tax levy</li> </ul>



### **Capital Budget**

# Council Decision required for:

- 23 recommended adjustments in Attachment 4
- Attachment 6 recommendation
- In-private discussion outlined in Attachment 7



# 2023-2026 Capital Budget (\$millions)

Approved 2023 - 2026 Capital Budget	2023 to 2026	2027 & Beyond	Total
Tax Supported Operations	9,235	1,291	10,526
Waste Utility	163	1	163
Blatchford and Downtown District Energy Utilities	72	57	129
Total Approved Capital Budget	\$9,470	\$1,348	\$10,818



# Fall 2024 - High-Level Impact Summary

(\$millions)

Category	Total Budget Requests	Less: Funded with Transfers to/(from) Existing Budgets	Net Impact to Approved Capital Budget	Projects
New Profiles Recommended for Funding	\$263.8	(\$153.7)	\$110.1	Overlanders and Homesteader Neighbourhoods Reconstruction, Hillview Neighbourhood and Alley Reconstruction, Glenwood (163 Street West) Neighbourhood and Alley Reconstruction, Downtown Workspace Optimization, others
Scope Change - Increases	2.9	(1.6)	1.3	Fire Station 7 (Highlands) Building Rehabilitation, others
Recosting - Increases	44.2	(2.5)	41.7	Terwillegar Drive Expressway Upgrades, others
Recosting - Decreases	(1.3)		(1.3)	Various
Grand Total	\$308.0	(\$156.2)	\$151.8	

### **Corporate Funding Pool**

The Corporate Funding Pool is comprised of the following Funding



Funds are held to address future budget needs and manage emerging items



# **Status of Available Capital Funding** (\$millions)

	Total
Funding after Spring 2024 SCBA	\$ 2.7
Adjustments since Spring 2024 SCBA:	
2024 CCBF Allocation Update	(\$1.6)
Reduce Public Engagement for Infrastructure Projects (OP12 item P-11)	(\$0.2)
Funding Prior to Fall 2024 SCBA	\$ 0.9
Recommendations in the Fall 2024 SCBA:	
Citadel Theatre Maintenance Vehicles	(\$0.4)
Funding Subsequent to Fall 2024 SCBA	\$ 0.5

### **Renewal Program Funding Levels**

Original Approved 2023 - 2026 Capital Budget

- Ideal renewal investment \$3.58 billion
- Approved renewal budget \$1.95 billion

Additional renewal funding through SCBAs - \$110 million

- Fall 2023 SCBA \$15 million
- Spring 2024 SCBA \$95 million

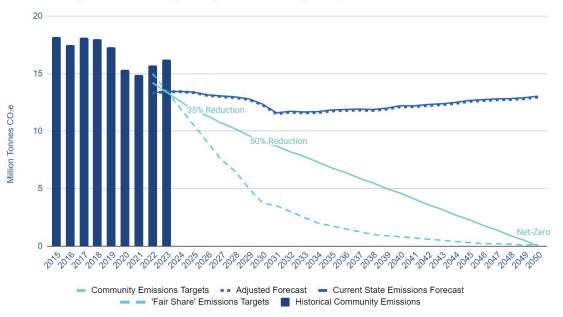
### 2023-2026 Capital Budget Renewal Funding Gap: \$1.52 billion

Updated Renewal Program Funding Level (Total)	
Updated Renewal Program Funding Level (Unconst Bridges)	crained less 35.4%



### **Community Carbon Budgeting**

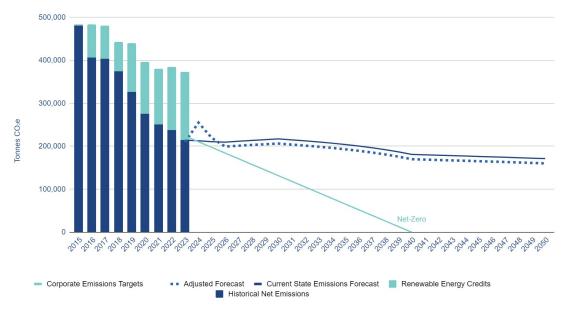
#### **Community Carbon Budgeting - 2024 Budget Updates**



		Year Carbon Budget is Depleted (Based on Adjusted Forecasts)
Community Carbon Budget (targets that align with the Paris Agreement)	144 million tonnes CO2e	2036*

### **Corporate Carbon Budgeting**

#### **Corporate Carbon Budgeting - 2024 Budget Updates**



	Carbon Budget 2024-2040 (Available GHG Emissions)	
Corporate Carbon Budget	1.54 million tonnes CO2e	2032*



# **Approved Spring Budget Requests with Quantifiable GHG Emissions Impacts**

Name of Budget Request (Capital profile or Operating service package)	2026 Quantified Emissions Impact (tonnes) Brackets indicates GHG Reductions	Community /Corporate /Both	Approved 2023 Spring Budget Request (\$000s)
Kathleen Andrews Transit Garage Solar PV & Battery Projects	(74)	Corporate	5,879
Fire Station 7 (Highlands) Building Rehabilitation	(41)	Corporate	11,499
Canora Supportive Housing	266	Community	27,699
Garneau Supportive Housing	148	Community	15,740



# **Proposed Fall Budget Requests with Quantifiable GHG Emissions Impacts**

Name of Budget Request (Capital profile or Operating service package)	2026 Quantified Emissions Impact (tonnes) Brackets indicates GHG Reductions	Community /Corporate /Both	Proposed 2024 Fall Budget Request (\$000s)
Vehicle and Equipment Replacement	15	Corporate	375
Turf and Horticulture Enhanced Service Levels	392	Corporate	5,232 (Operating and Capital)



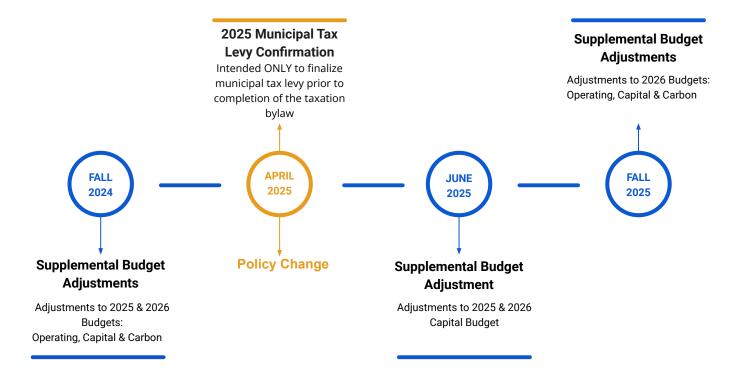
# **Financial pressures**

Impacts Managed Internally (included in Proposed Fall SOBA)	2026 Quantified Emissions Impact (tonnes) Brackets indicates GHG Reductions	Community /Corporate /Both	Description of GHG Impacts
Cancellation of Home Upgrades Program (Energy poverty)	Not Quantified	Community	Approx 2-3 tonnes per home annually
Deferral of transit service improvements	Not Quantified	Community	Transit service levels would not be maintained to keep up with growth





### **Timeline: Multi-Year Budgeting**



# Thank you Questions?

