# 2025 Budget Summary



## 2025 Approved Budget

The 2024 budget reflects Council's commitment to advancing key priorities outlined in the Strategic Plan. This includes creating a connected and inclusive community, fostering a robust and adaptable economy, addressing environmental challenges, ensuring quality infrastructure, and providing effective leadership with meaningful community engagement.

As part of the budget process, Council held two public engagement sessions prior to discussions and a question-and-answer session after presenting the first draft. These opportunities allowed residents to share their perspectives and priorities, helping shape the final budget.

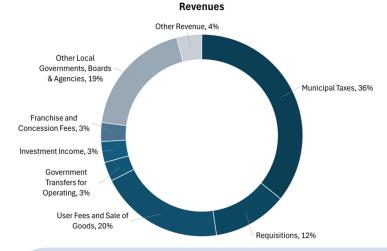


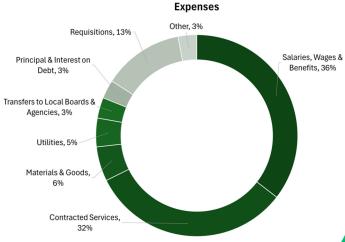
## **Operating Budget**

A \$40 million operating budget was approved that balances several factors such as cost of services, affordability vs demand for infrastructure, financial sustainability, reserve management, and alignment with Council's Strategic Priorities.

Some new operational projects for 2025 include:

- Hillendale infrastructure assessment
- Lane paving pilot program
- Snow removal contracted service for parking lots
- Increase in the Backflow and Sump Pump Program
- RCMP contract increase
- FireSmart Program (grant contingent)
- Increase in Move Edson grant
- FCSS Community Needs Assessment
- Records Management and Digitizsation System





"Council is committed to passing budgets that keep affordability in mind as we continue to face extreme inflationary pressures and infrastructure demands. This is a difficult balance considering the increasing costs to municipalities, but we feel we've been presented a fair budget that addresses the needs of the Town with quality levels of service for our residents."



# **Household Impact**

4% municipal tax levy increase \*Based on an assessment of \$350,000

2024 MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX

\$2,395



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\$2,491

## Equates to an estimated increase of \$8/month

#### **User Fees**

To support long-term financial sustainability, adjustments to landfill tipping fees and user fees have been approved. Landfill tipping fees have increased to \$64 per tonne for residents of Edson and Yellowhead County (YHC).

Additionally, a 3% increase has been applied to various user fees, excluding Leisure Centre fees. Leisure Centre fees will see a similar 3% increase effective September 1, 2025.

## **Capital Budget**

The 2025 Capital Budget includes twenty-seven (27) initiatives with an investment of \$42,086,075.

The Capital Budget is funded 53.1% from grants, 21.1% from reserves, 20.1% from other local governments and boards, 5.6% through debenture.

A large focus remains on infrastructure improvements and flood mitigation efforts with sanitary sewer and road upgrades. The muchanticipated start of the YCE Multiplex Project is scheduled and funded for 2025, as well as some improvements at Vision Park and the purchase of an Aerial Truck for the Fire Department.

A full Capital Projects list can be found at www.edson.ca/budget.

## **Residential Utility Adjustments**

		Low	Consumer (10m²)	Medium Consumer (25m²)					High Consumer (60m²)							
	2024 Fees Monthly		2025 Proposed Fees Monthly		Increase	2024 Fees Monthly	2025 Proposed Fees Monthly		Increase		2024 Fees Monthly		2025 Proposed Fees Monthly		Increase	
Water & Wastewater Consumption	\$	38.80	\$ 42.68	\$	3.88	\$ 97.00	\$	106.70	\$	9.70	\$	232.80	\$	256.08	\$	23.28
Water & Wastewater Administration		13.25	14.58		1.33	13.25		14.58		1.33		13.25		14.58		1.33
WWTP & Storm		16.25	16.25		-	16.25		16.25		-		16.25		16.25		-
Waste & Recycling		29.51	30.40		0.89	29.51		30.40		0.89		29.51		30.40		0.89
Total	\$	97.81	\$ 103.91	\$	6.10	\$ 156.01	\$	167.93	\$	11.92	\$	291.81	\$	317.31	\$	25.50

Based on average increase of 5% across multiple service fees.

