


2026 BUDGET ENGAGEMENT GUIDE

Council will soon review the proposed 2026 Budget and five-year financial plan. They will consider a number of factors in their decisions about the budget and would like to hear from the community. This handout includes the information you need to share your views. It describes what is included in the draft budget, the key factors that influenced the proposed increase, and what it means to residents. When you are ready to share your comments, visit letstalk.delta.ca/2026-budget to complete a feedback form.

A LOOK AHEAD AT 2026


In line with the City's Goals and Priorities for this term, here is a sample of the operating improvements and new capital projects that are proposed to advance in 2026.

 2026 Election Preparation

 Road Paving

 Annieville Park Renewal


 Mackie Park Fieldhouse Replacement


 Industrial Area Transit and Other Improvements


 Tilbury Ice Mechanical Upgrades


 Sunshine Hills Playground Renewal

 Chisholm St. Wharf Upgrades

 Ladner Harbour Park Playground Renewal

 Cromie Park Ball Diamond

 Ladner Bike Park Renewal

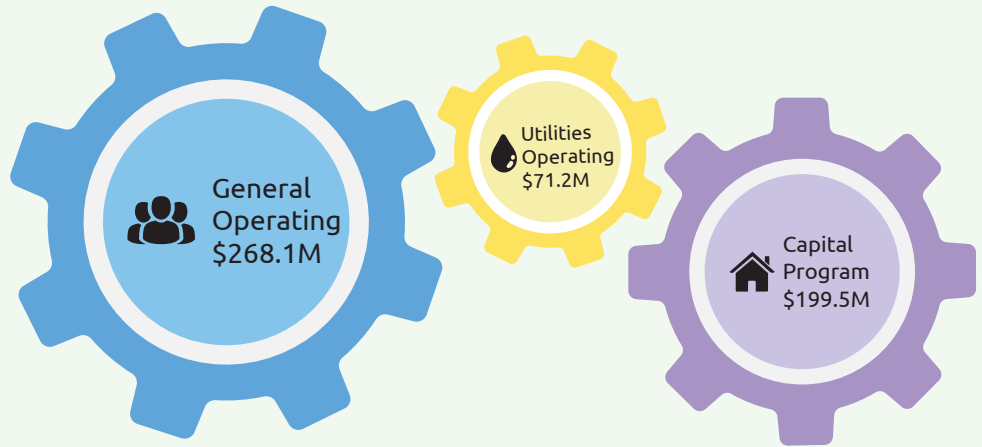
 Agricultural Infrastructure

 Dennison Pickleball Expansion Design

 Winskill Aquatic & Fitness Centre Rebuild

2026 BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE

Delta's 2026 Draft
Financial Plan totals
\$ 538.8 million



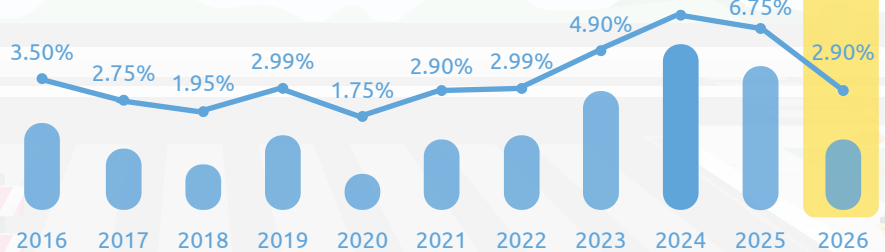
PROPOSED 2026 INCREASE

2026 Proposed Property
Tax Increase
2.9%

Contractual Obligations,
Asset Management,
Operational Improvements,
Inflation

Looking Back – Tax Increases

Range From **1.75% - 7.75%**



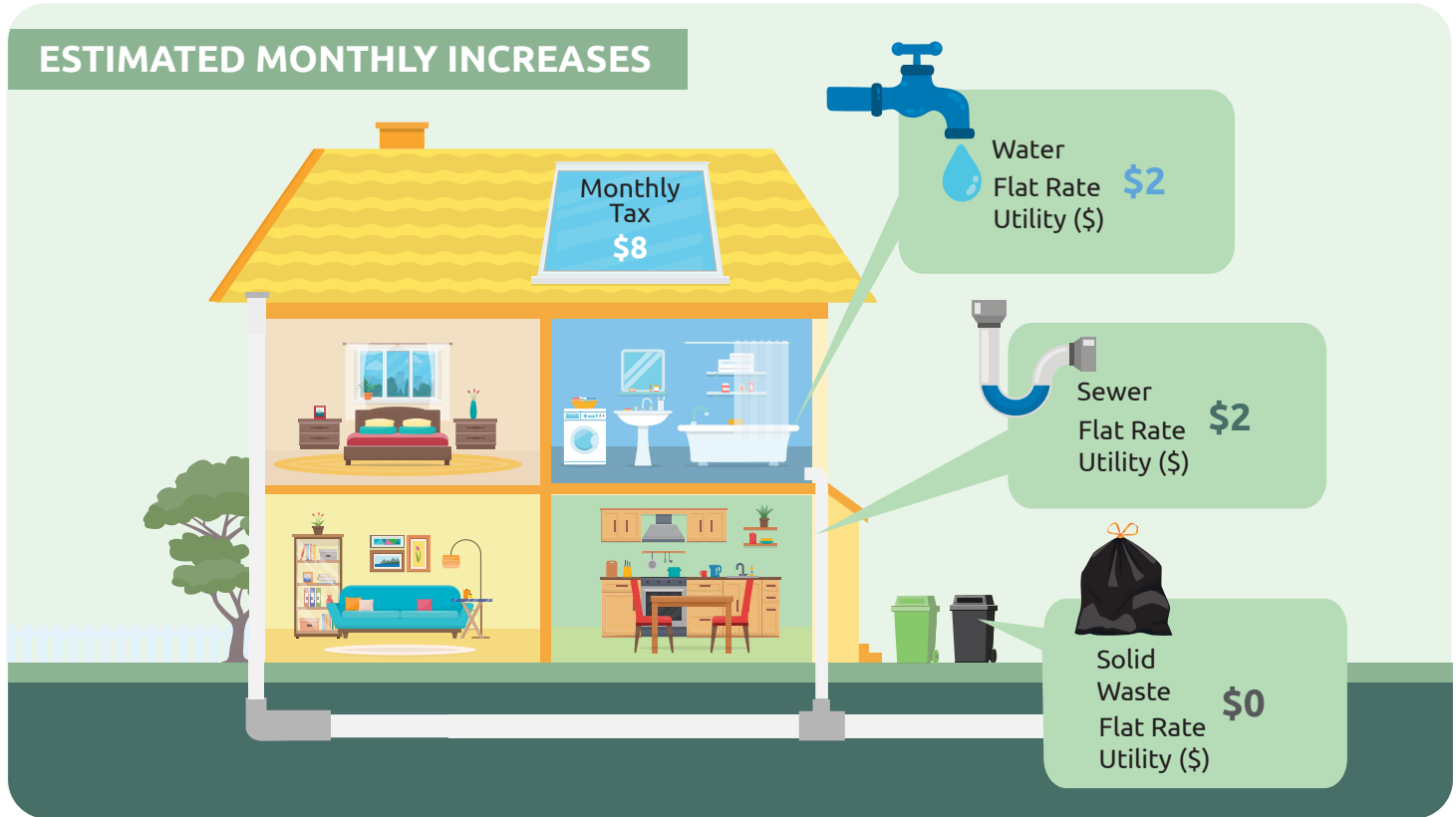
PATH TO 2026

The City's total 2026 draft budget of \$538.8 million reflects a 2.9% property tax increase to support operating, utility, and capital programs. Here are the main factors behind the proposed 2026 Budget:

- Rising service delivery costs and growing pressures for services
- Costs passed on by external agencies (e.g. Ecomm)
- Global political and economic uncertainties, including tariffs
- Infrastructure demands and management (renewal, growth, costs)

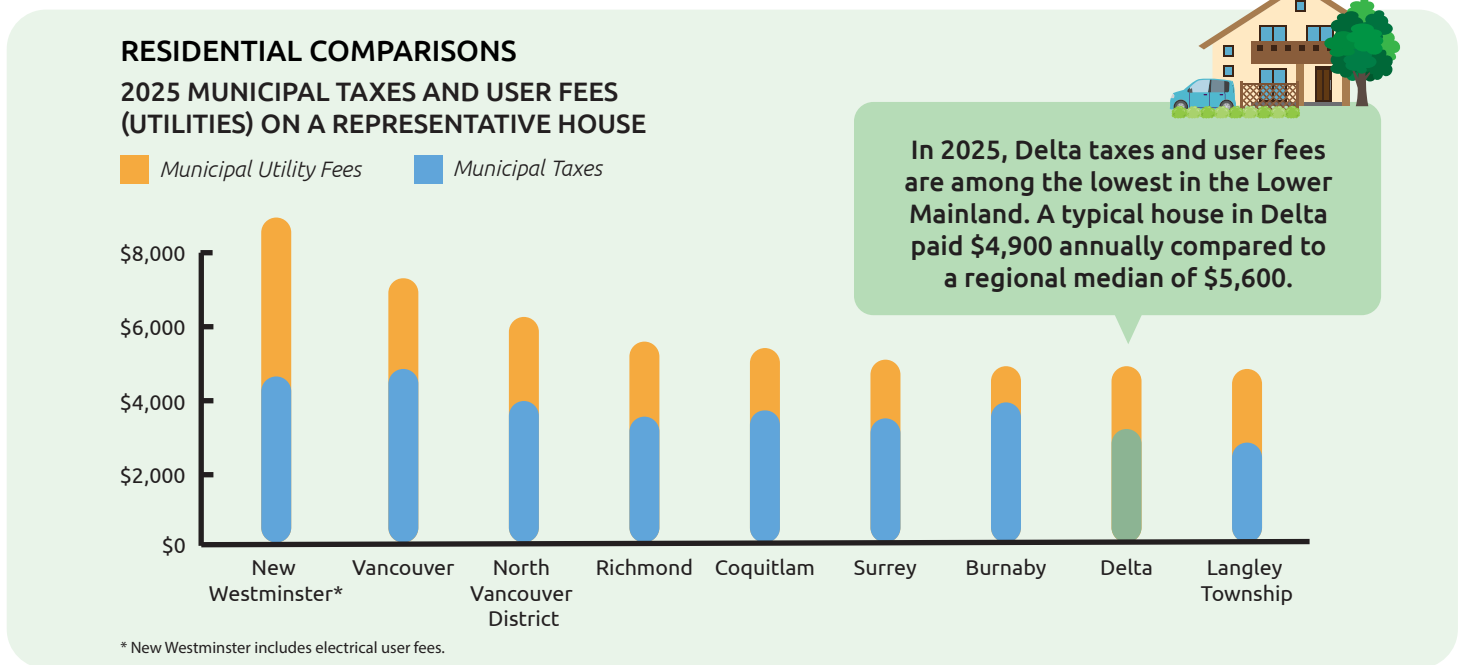
2026 BUDGET AND YOU

The proposed property tax increase to deliver the budget is 2.9%. The chart below illustrates the estimated monthly tax and utility impacts for a typical single-detached home assessed at approximately \$1.3 million.



2025 COMPARING DELTA

Year over year, Delta tax increases have been consistently below comparable cities. The following chart shows how Delta residential taxes compare in the lower mainland.



WHAT YOU SAID

Earlier this year, residents were invited to complete the 2025 Community Satisfaction Survey. The City of Delta heard from 2,082 residents on priorities and services that helped inform the proposed 2026 Budget. Here are the three priorities you identified:

EMERGING PRIORITIES



1

Roads and Traffic



2

Growth and Density



3

Recreation Facilities and Events

The proposed 2026 Budget includes investments to address community priorities, such as:

- Roads and neighbourhood safety—paving, crosswalk upgrades, and improved traffic signals
- Transit infrastructure—new and upgraded bus shelters, benches, and accessibility features
- Industrial area improvements—River Road cycle network and Derwent Way sidewalk upgrades in Tilbury and Annacis Island
- Agricultural infrastructure—88 Street rural road improvements (Phase 1) and irrigation upgrades, recognizing that farmland makes up nearly half of Delta’s land base
- Major recreation projects—Winskill Aquatic & Fitness Centre rebuild, Annieville Park renewal, and a new fieldhouse at Mackie Park following completion of the second turf field

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

- October 7 – Read the details of the draft 2026 Budget on letstalk.delta.ca/2026-Budget.
- October 7 – Complete a form on the website to share your feedback before October 30.
- October 29 – Drop by Open House #1 at the North Delta Recreation Centre Gymnasium between 4:30 and 6:30 pm.
- October 29 – Attend the Council Budget Workshop #1 at the North Delta Centre for the Arts beginning at 7:00 pm or watch online at delta.ca.
- October 30 – Drop by Open House #2 at City Hall in the foyer between 4:30 and 6:30 pm.
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