

CITYnews

Draft 2026 Budget highlights Council's focus to invest in public safety, livability and vibrancy

Residents and businesses are invited to provide feedback on the draft 2026 Budget and 2026-2030 Financial and Corporate Business Plan.

The draft budget and Plan was presented to Council at the Regular meeting of Oct. 21, 2025.

Anyone interested in learning about what is being proposed or to share their feedback can do so in the following ways:

- Online at shapeyourcitypenticton.ca beginning Oct. 21:
 - Read the introductory report or watch the presentation to Council delivered at the meeting on Oct. 21.
 - Review the full draft 2026-2030 Financial Plan and proposed 2026 Budget.
 - Review the 2026 Budget Handout for a quick synopsis.
 - Ask your questions in the Q&A.
- Drop by the Council Open House on Oct. 29 at the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to meet with Council and share your thoughts with staff.
- Once you have reviewed the materials and asked your questions, complete a form at shapeyourcitypenticton.ca between Oct. 21 - Nov. 5.
- Prefer paper? Visit one of our engagement kiosks located at City Hall, Penticton Public Library or the Community Centre to complete a paper copy of the feedback form.

2026 Proposed Investments

2
Firefighters

Bylaw resources



1
RCMP Member
(2027 impact)

Clean Team resources



CommuniTREE Plan
(Urban Forest Management Plan)

Summary of 2026 Proposed Budget Impacts

2.6%
Inflation

+

2.0%

Community Safety Investment

1.2% previously approved by Council
0.8% proposed Investments

+

1.7%

Community Vibrancy and Culture Investment

1.2% previously approved by Council
0.5% proposed Investments

TOTAL 6.26%

- Watch Council Budget Deliberations between Nov. 18-19, which will include a report on the budget feedback.

Meet your Council at the Council Open House



Mayor Julius Bloomfield



Coun. Campbell Watt



Coun. Isaac Gilbert



Coun. Ryan Graham



Coun. Jason Reynen



Coun. Shannon Stewart

You're invited to attend the Council Open House on Wednesday, Oct. 29 at the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre from 4-7 p.m.

Meet your Council and learn more about work underway to support their priorities to make our community safer, more livable and more vibrant. Topics on hand will include the draft 2026 budget,

updates and next steps for the Esplanade Renewal Plan and KVR Trail Strategy, infrastructure projects, as well as strategies and plans related to community safety and the future of Penticton's fire halls and arenas and more.

This is a family friendly event with supervised children's activities. Refreshments will also be provided.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Council Open House

Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2025 | 4 PM – 7 PM
Penticton Trade & Convention Centre – 273 Power Street

Let's talk

Public Safety ♦ Draft 2026 Budget ♦ Facilities, amenities & infrastructure

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Keeping catch basins clear of snow helps alleviate localized flooding when snow melts.

Snow clearing takes teamwork

With colder temperatures on the way, Penticton's fleet of snow-clearing equipment and crews are geared up and ready to respond.

Reminder to residents

The City's Good Neighbour Bylaw requires property owners or property occupants to clear all sidewalks adjoining their properties of snow and ice before 11 a.m. following a weather event. This also includes the sidewalk at the transit stops if you have one in front of your property.

If you're capable, please consider lending your neighbour a hand.

Remember when shovelling your driveway to pile the snow on the left side of the driveway (facing the property), so when plows go by, they won't drag the piles back into your driveway entrance.

It's always a good idea to clear any catch basins near your home to prevent flooding, and remove snow away from fire hydrants to make them accessible and visible to fire crews.

About the City's snow-clearing process

Crews spray an anti-ice, salt/water solution in preparation of the upcoming conditions on the roads. When the snow arrives, clearing crews will focus on priority 1 and 2 roads including main roads, steep hills, emergency routes, bus routes, school zones, collector and industrial roads, followed by residential roads and select lanes. During and after a winter storm, a salt or salt/sand mix is used to maintain traction.

Crews aim to have roads identified as priority 1 to 3 cleared and safe within 48 hours of the end of a significant winter storm event.

For more tips – and details about the snow-clearing process – visit penticton.ca/snow.

Be ready: Sign up for emergency alerts

Residents are encouraged to sign up for the City's emergency alert system, Voyent Alert!

This notification system will send real-time alerts directly to your phone through the app, via email or a phone call.

It's free to use and will ensure community members are informed during critical events such as wildfires, floods and other urgent situations.

The City will only use this service for emergency and critical incident notifications. To learn more and sign up, visit penticton.ca/emergencies.

Save the date for Magic on Main



Ho, ho, ho! Magic on Main Street is coming to Penticton on Sunday, Nov. 30.

This magical event features dozens of floats taking part in the Santa Claus Parade, followed by the official Light Up at Gyro Park, featuring the spectacular festive lights display.

The City is offering a free park and ride shuttle service through BC Transit between Cherry Lane Shopping Centre and the event site, operating on a continuous loop.

Applications now open!

Want to get in on the action? Local organizations are invited to apply to enter a float in the parade. All the details, including application forms, can be found on the City's website at penticton.ca/holidaymagic.

Watch for more details in the coming weeks at penticton.ca/holidaymagic.

Anticipate possible traffic delays during water system upgrades

Construction crews are now entering the final weeks of a months-long project to upgrade a section of Penticton's water system that supplies tap water to 70 per cent of our community.

This \$8.1 million pressure reducing valve (PRV) project involves replacing piping, valves and other infrastructure in and around Duncan Reservoir, ensuring everyone has reliable access to water for years to come.

In the coming weeks, crews will need to work longer hours than usual to complete critical work within the area of Penticton Avenue.

Residents should also anticipate traffic delays. Anyone driving through the area is reminded to slow down, watch for signs and traffic flaggers and plan for extra time.

For more information about the PRV construction, visit penticton.ca/prv

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