



Media Release

Draft 2022 Budget presented to Council

December 9, 2021 – On Wednesday, December 8, 2021, the Draft 2022 Budget was presented to Midland Town Council at its final Council meeting of 2021. The budget process was accelerated this year so that the Draft 2022 Budget could be presented to Council in December, two months earlier than the previous budget.

“Each year staff put months of work into creating the draft budget to present to Council, and now it’s Council’s job to review this impressive document and prepare for the deliberation exercise near the end of January,” said Mayor Stewart Strathearn. “Council and staff will work to make adjustments to the draft budget so that the budget that is ultimately approved will minimize the tax levy impact on residents while continuing to build upon the services we offer.”

Highlights of the Draft 2022 Budget:

- Estimated Tax Rate increase of 3.53% (\$37 increase/per \$100,000 of property assessment) to support Town Services (before: Council/Committee Requests, Agencies/Boards/Commissions, and Sustainable Capital Levy)
 - Estimated 2.85% blended tax rate increase (\$42 increase per \$100,000 of property assessment)
- 5% increase in Water rates = \$21.16 increase/year for a typical user (\$0.41/week)
- 4% increase in Wastewater rates = \$19.58 increase/year for typical user (\$0.38/week)

“I want to thank all of our staff for working so diligently to get this Draft 2022 Budget done two months earlier than last year, while still managing to continue their day-to-day tasks. This really sets the stage for Council and staff to hit the ground running in January,” said CAO David Denault.

CFO Michael Jerney indicated “There are many options presented in the Draft 2022 Budget for Council to consider, and I know the public will have many questions. We look forward to continuing the budget process in January and working towards an approval near the end of that month.”

The 2022 Budget process will continue in January with the following schedule:

- January 13, 2022 – Agencies, Boards & Commissions Presentations
- January 19, 2022 – 2022 Budget Public Meeting
- January 26-28, 2022 – Budget Deliberations/Approval

The Draft 2022 Budget and Draft 2022 Budget Presentation are both available at [Midland.ca/Budget](https://www.midland.ca/Budget).



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