

Questionnaire Responses

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Respondent No: 1

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 16:44:37 pm

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IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Percentage increase YOY, why are you not seeking other sources of revenue tax payers and user carry the majority of the budget.....charge builders more to develop property in our area, make them put in bike paths, walking paths, parks and ensure there is a community store for groceries and gas like we have in lake view heights.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

Get fixed contract bids for large projects from developers stop leaving the burden on tax payers to cover costs, not fair. Increase costs on commercial property's if the city actually has any most is owned by WFN....big mistake.

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
2. Sidewalks and active transportation
3. Sewer
4. Road improvements
5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
6. Water
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Police services
9. Fire services

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Parks and recreation, should be built into each neighbourhood by developers that's the cost of doing business in WK. they pay more in Kelowna to build.water

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

The water treatment plant is very important and it's still not functioning really disappointed we have to pay more to fix this facility.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

I just don't feel we should have to pay more as a tax payers and user. Why does our police force cover HWY 33, why are they not looking after our area? Why are the positions for fire and police not filled? Why does the city continue to mess up like not enough parking stalls for staff at new city hall. Don't you know how many people are on payroll? It's stupid and disappointing things like this continue to happen.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 2

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 16:46:55 pm

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IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

A proposal to ensure the water we pay for is safe, clean and reliable this year I do not trust it to be

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Fire services
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Sidewalks and active transportation
6. Police services
7. Road improvements
8. Sewer
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Reduce the administration costs. Stop spending dollars on fancy buildings I.e. the City hall who needed upgrades within a year.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Ensure we are getting what we paid for in our water supply the Rose Valley service has been an embarrassing disaster

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

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Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

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I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 3

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 16:47:17 pm

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IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

more cost cutting, Gov waste, rich contracts to friends & family. Fire mitigation whats being done on the prevention side?

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

address Gov waste and have accountability checks in place

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Police services
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Fire services
5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
6. Parks, recreation, and facilities
7. Sewer
8. Road improvements
9. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Gov waste, review all Gov programs and expenditures, Gov has shown they are terrible managers of money.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

same as #6

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

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Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 4

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 17:07:42 pm

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IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to enhance or expand services
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 3. Sewer
 4. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Water
 7. Fire services
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Road improvements
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
I would increase transit service as it is essential to creating a vibrant and livable city.
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Print/digital media
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 5

Login: Anonymous

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Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 17:11:42 pm

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IP Address: n/a

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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Sidewalks and active transportation
 2. Road improvements
 3. Fire services
 4. Police services
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 7. Water
 8. Sewer
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City website
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 6

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 17:18:07 pm

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IP Address: n/a

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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 5. Road improvements
 6. Sewer
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Reduce city staffing levels. No grants to any non essential program. No tax increase above inflation.
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Nothing. Reduce taxes as the main goal. Reduce all non essential services.
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 7

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 17:25:13 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 17:25:13 pm

IP Address: n/a

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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Water
 2. Fire services
 3. Road improvements
 4. Sidewalks and active transportation
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Police services
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 9. Sewer
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Number of city staff, overblown and top heavy bureaucracy with no increase in services provided.
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 8

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 17:35:37 pm

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IP Address: n/a

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I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

I'd like to know why the new city hall costed so much extra and why taxpayers have to fund it when we didn't vote for it.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road improvements
2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
3. Water
4. Police services
5. Fire services
6. Sewer
7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Don't make a massive expensive city hall against the people's wishes, then come crying for more taxes.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Fix the intersection at CNB and stop wasting money on roundabouts like Asquith rd. Stop building apartments without due regard to water restrictions while giving us water restrictions the whole summer.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Fire whoever decided to remove the dog park picnic tables, without proper voting. Have the people uproar and now install benches. Cost money to remove and replace. Shouldn't be funded by tax payers when that's your mess up!

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Referrals/word of mouth

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

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I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 9

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 18:03:17 pm

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IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Safety and risk assessment with the increased congestion for major services ei, fire, ambulance, police. With no hospital what does the outlook look like for maternity care, emergency response connecting with a hospital. Look at redirecting taxes collected.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
2. Water
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Sewer
5. Road improvements
6. Police services
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Fire services

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Access for homeless at the community center where children are. Stop creating out reach bringing them here. Change bylaws to make it harder for encampments especially around bodies of water polluting our lakes, rivers and streams. The shortfall of building city hall should not fall on patrons taxes.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Daycares and healthcare. Children need more support and families need more support.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Some changes need to happen soon before all the land has been taken and created housing.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City website
Watching Council meetings

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 10

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 18:05:04 pm

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IP Address: n/a

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Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Some sense of citizen priorities - don't feel like they are present here Depending on area the needs are radically different.

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Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
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3. Fire services
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5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
8. Sewer
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Building skateboard parks & MP/MLA offices

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Transportation infrastructure w Province

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Water quality concerns. Speeding & driving violations crackdown Surnames shouldn't influence city policy - this comment from a neighbor who doesn't want to do a response & asked I include it ... not part of my experience (but I'm newer to city)

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

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Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

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Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 11

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 18:31:05 pm

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IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road improvements
 2. Police services
 3. Water
 4. Sewer
 5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 6. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 7. Fire services
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Parks, recreation, and facilities
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Recreation
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Building permits
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City website
Print/digital media
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I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 12

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 18:31:31 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 18:31:31 pm

IP Address: n/a

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Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Transparent costing on the new city hall building and how it impacts the increased tax rates.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
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Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

My municipal tax dollars should not be funding policing in rural or First Nation locations - the current RCMP policing model does not work here.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Policing - if it was a true increase and asset to the municipality.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Please find out why municipally funded Police are conducting duties outside of the municipality. Those city paid resources need to remain actively available for calls in the city. Not at Walmart or superstore.

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Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 13

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 18:53:12 pm

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Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Police services
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Fire services
6. Road improvements
7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Bus service as I rarely see anyone on it

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

I honestly wish that west Kelowna would stop trying to grow bigger. I chose to live in West Kelowna because of the small town feel. If I want a busy crazy town I would have chose to buy in Kelowna. Bigger towns bigger problems. Since putting in a homeless shelter I now see more individuals pushing shopping carts I've lived here 13 years. Never saw street people back then. Last few years it has changed and guess what the city is building more apartments and talking of more shelters too. Stop the growth it only brings big city issues here Keep that on the other side of the bridge

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 14

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 19:48:29 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 19:48:29 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Projects focused on improving transit accessibility and sidewalk installations.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Sidewalks and active transportation
2. Water
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Fire services
5. Sewer
6. Road improvements
7. Police services
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Administration, most paperwork can be done online.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Sidewalks as these promote the active transportation plan and safety across demographics.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Though more of a regional item, I'd be willing to pay more for my dog's license if it meant getting better sidewalks on which to walk my dog.

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat disagree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Somewhat agree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly agree

Participating was a valuable experience

Somewhat agree

I learned something new

Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 15

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 20:17:43 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 20:17:43 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Police services
3. Road improvements
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Sewer
8. Water
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

City hall should not have any updates to building g or parking yet. Brand new building with no mention of the cost to residents yet.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Painting lines in roads more often. Paint fades very fast. Poor night driving conditions.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 16

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 20:40:10 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 20:40:10 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Unsure

Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**

not answered

Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**

1. Fire services
2. Water
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Sewer
6. Road improvements
7. Police services
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**

not answered

Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**

not answered

Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 17

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 21:05:11 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 21:05:11 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
2. Road improvements
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Sewer
6. Water
7. Police services
8. Fire services
9. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

I would reduce the budget to the fire department. It's exceedingly more and more than other departments and the service level is astronomically expensive compared to every other service.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

I would address the chronic issues with your staffing. It seems like everytime I work with the City it's a missing director, upset staff, new inspector, new operator who isn't consistent with old processes, etc.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

It's great you but a number of new buildings, but it seems like there isn't care for the services being delivered or a care for the quality of service being provided. From recreation to engineering there are missing people, lower services and generally it seems like things are falling apart with no one working.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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|--|-------------------|
| The information presented was clear and easy to understand | Somewhat agree |
| I had an opportunity to share my views | Somewhat agree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Strongly disagree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Strongly disagree |
| I learned something new | Strongly disagree |
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Respondent No: 18

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 21:32:13 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 21:32:13 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Unsure

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
3. Road improvements
4. Fire services
5. Sewer
6. Police services
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Police because they don't show up when you need them 80% of the time. Nor do they follow up on incidents and reports even though they tell you they will. And when they do do something, the criminals get out of jail right away anyways so it's a waste of their time and our money.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Free rehab/detox centres for people with drug addictions that want help but can't afford \$30,000 a month for a bed.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 19

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 21:50:53 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 21:50:53 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one:
- Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
- None
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option:
- Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one:
- Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 2. Police services
 3. Water
 4. Fire services
 5. Sewer
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Road improvements
 8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 9. Parks, recreation, and facilities
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
- not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
- Road improvements
-
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
- None
-
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**
- City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 20

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 27, 2025 22:05:10 pm

Last Seen: Jan 27, 2025 22:05:10 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

A plan for a stronger, vibrant downtown/city centre.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
3. Fire services
4. Police services
5. Sidewalks and active transportation
6. Road improvements
7. Water
8. Sewer
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Road improvements. If the city cannot maintain the roads that we already have, there is no use improving/putting in new roads that will continue to add on to a growing maintenance list. Additionally, improving existing roadways will not fix congestion.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

A plan, vision and execution of a downtown city centre. West Kelowna has no culture or place/third space space where community residents can come together to experience West Kelowna. North Van has the Shipyards (in addition to Grouse, nature, etc); Surrey has small hubs within each community such as Cloverdale, Morgan crossing; even chilliwack has a downtown and district 1881. Kelowna has its deteriorating, due to mental illness, homelessness and lack of safety, City Park and downtown. This is integral to building strength, community, and pride within a growing city.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Taxes and increase of taxes is necessary to keep up with demand for valued City services but if there is no perceived value, visible improvement, or tangible benefit to any given WK resident, no one wants to pay our taxes to see it spent on a poorly engineered city hall that residents did. It ask for and that needs 200k worth of improvements after a year. WK needed a respectable city hall but the execution of it was terrible - there was no buy-in from residents, public parking was an afterthought, it came in 4-5M over budget and now already needs hundreds of thousand dollars in improvements. Residents despise the waste of taxes cost to build the city hall because it was poorly executed.

Q9. How did you hear about the City’s budget consultation? Please select all that apply: Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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| The information presented was clear and easy to understand | Strongly agree |
| I had an opportunity to share my views | Somewhat agree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Somewhat disagree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Somewhat disagree |
| I learned something new | Somewhat disagree |
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Respondent No: 21

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 02:05:43 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 02:05:43 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Water
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Sewer
6. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Road improvements
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Beautification projects one boulevard da and medians. You spend too much money on making green spaces attractive only to have them so embarrassingly overgrown with weeds because you don't have the manpower to maintain. Start considering xeriscaping

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Build recreation facilities that keep our residents or tourists in West Kelowna instead of heading into and supporting Kelowna facilities etc. ie paddle centre to include the rowing club, an indoor pickleball centre, new or improved bike lanes

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

All municipalities need to be more fiscally responsible, get rid of dead weight staff, hire more part time employees

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Newspaper ads

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 22

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 07:02:00 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 07:02:00 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Reduce savings contributions and borrow more
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road improvements
 2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 3. Police services
 4. Water
 5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 6. Sewer
 7. Fire services
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Introduce a flat across the board cut in the budget allocations for each service.
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Add street lighting on streets, e.g., Boucherie.
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
-
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 23

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 07:24:47 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 07:24:47 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Unsure
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Water
 2. Sidewalks and active transportation
 3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 5. Sewer
 6. Police services
 7. Road improvements
 8. Fire services
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Police
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Wouldn't want tax increase
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
N/a
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand Strongly agree

I had an opportunity to share my views Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used Strongly agree

Participating was a valuable experience Strongly agree

I learned something new Strongly agree



Respondent No: 24

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 07:36:40 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 07:36:40 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes
-
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
-
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road improvements
 2. Water
 3. Sewer
 4. Fire services
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Police services
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Less new sidewalks because people walk where they want anyhow!!!!
-
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Fix all rotten roads!!!!
-
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City website
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 25

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 09:31:51 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 09:31:51 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Municipal individual wages

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Water
3. Sewer
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Police services
6. Road improvements
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Municipal wages. Staff and council over paid.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 26

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 10:11:32 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 10:11:32 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels
-
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
-
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road improvements
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 5. Police services
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 9. Sewer
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
-
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Road improvements and upgrades to bridge, collaborative with provincial to improve transportation in city
-
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
-
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 27

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 10:50:16 am

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 10:50:16 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
Why, Just another thing for you to ignore.
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: **Other (please specify)**
Quit spending like drunken sailors. ITS NOT YOUR MONEY
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 2. Water
 3. Road improvements
 4. Fire services
 5. Police services
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Sewer
 8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 9. Parks, recreation, and facilities
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
GRANTS are not city business.
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
None that would increase taxes.
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
I suggest you not ignore taxpayers wishes by reforemdems
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 28

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 12:41:36 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 12:41:36 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Why are you increasing the taxes with all the new developments? Why do tax payers have to pay more? Unfair! We did not ask for new developments. Overreach.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Water
3. Police services
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Road improvements
6. Sewer
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

In the offices where there are too many chiefs in the process and it would cut a lot of red tape and be autocratic nonsense.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City website

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat disagree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Somewhat disagree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly disagree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly disagree

I learned something new

Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 29

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 12:44:41 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 12:44:41 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Build more homes and lower the property taxes !

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

Streamline the building codes and create some sort of incentives to builders so we can have more homes to draw lower taxes from the city as a whole

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road improvements
2. Water
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Sidewalks and active transportation
5. Sewer
6. Police services
7. Fire services
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Road work probably. The existing system works for now

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Can't think of one thing to improve

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 30

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 12:46:45 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 12:46:45 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one:

Unsure

Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**

not answered

Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**

1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
2. Sewer
3. Fire services
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Road improvements
8. Police services
9. Water

Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**

No more wine trail development

Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**

Infrastructure to hwy

Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**

Less condo developments. We are over populated for a small city

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City website

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 31

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 12:51:18 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 12:51:18 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Unsure

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Fire services
3. Water
4. Road improvements
5. Police services
6. Sewer
7. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Development services. West Kelowna has grown quickly beyond the capacity of its current infrastructure. Traffic is terrible, schools are over capacity, no hospital, not enough employment for residents as seen by the morning commute into Kelowna. No further development is needed until the province and private sector catch up with the city.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

None, taxes shouldn't increase every year. Just stop.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat agree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Somewhat agree

I understood how my input would be used

Somewhat disagree

Participating was a valuable experience

Somewhat disagree

I learned something new

Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 32

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 12:58:59 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 12:58:59 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
Where there are areas for savings/cost reduction
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road improvements
 2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 3. Sewer
 4. Police services
 5. Sidewalks and active transportation
 6. Fire services
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Water
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Anything related to climate change nonsense
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Roads
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
Again, where is the cost reduction. To increase taxes yearly above inflation is suspect at best.
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 33

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 14:02:08 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 14:02:08 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Water
 3. Fire services
 4. Sewer
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Road improvements
 8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
highend road improvements and roundabouts that have been created all along SLR
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Reduce wage costs for staff
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)
Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 34

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 14:56:46 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 14:56:46 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Unsure

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

I believe there must be more consultation with the tax payer.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Road improvements
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Police services
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Fire services
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Less public servants, in all honesty not quite sure what services are offered.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

I cannot afford more taxes

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

I believe the city council is being irresponsible, and not understanding how expensive it is to live here. Every year more taxes. Regular people live within a budget, but this council keeps spending and not focusing on the old infrastructure that keeps breaking. I am disappointed and hoping for new people next election

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 35

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 15:19:49 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 15:19:49 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations? Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

There should be more considerations for the arts community. West Kelowna is the largest community in the Okanagan that does not have a dedicated community arts centre/gallery, and as a result people are going into Kelowna or Peachland for those services, when there are opportunities to have that served within our city.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Sewer
2. Road improvements
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Sidewalks and active transportation
5. Fire services
6. Police services
7. Water
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

I don't know that I would reduce any city service right now.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

As I previously mentioned, our community is in desperate need of a dedicated community arts centre.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

No.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 36

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 15:22:52 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 15:22:52 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Unsure

Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**

Breakdown of Exempt staff salary increases

Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Water
3. Fire services
4. Police services
5. Road improvements
6. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
7. Sewer
8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**

Reduce amount of admin staff/wages for exempt employees.

Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**

Better infrastructure, we need light rail/skytrain from west kelowna to airport.

Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**

most of the increase seems to be from pay raises, yet the average person living in west kelowna got less then 2%. City needs to stop inflating their own pockets.

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City website

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 37

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 16:15:21 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 16:15:21 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Sidewalks and active transportation
3. Fire services
4. Police services
5. Water
6. Sewer
7. Road improvements
8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

not answered

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Active transportation connecting waterfront to parks and a safe child friendly downtown area.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Parks and bike lanes for active transportation and child friendly amenities such as a pool (especially when lake swimming is not an option due to high e. Colic levels!)

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 38

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 16:51:12 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 16:51:12 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Why

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Water
3. Police services
4. Sewer
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Road improvements

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

road improvements being sidewalks and multiuse paths on the minor roads

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

The road maintenance contractor should carry out repairs such as potholes before winter and once the Asphalt plants are open. An example is the intersection of HWY 97 and Boucherie, drainage is poor, the asphalt is in poor repair. Catch basins should be hydrovac every second year, winter sanding is hit and miss, the sand is not sand, it is 5/8 minus good for ICBC and windshields

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

The City should limit major projects to one project a year as does the City of Kelowna

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 39

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 19:12:46 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 19:12:46 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Fire services
5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
6. Parks, recreation, and facilities
7. Road improvements
8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
9. Police services

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

not answered

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

A sidewalk and bike lanes are needed on Ross Rd. from Daimler Dr. to Petro Canada and Bartley Rd. During the day and night I have witnessed people are unsafe walking or biking on this Ross Rd. stretch. Students walk to school on this road putting them in danger. Parents in the community would appreciate that this road be updated for better safety. It will be just a matter of time before someone gets struck by a vehicle resulting in injury or death.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand Somewhat agree

I had an opportunity to share my views Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used Somewhat agree

Participating was a valuable experience Strongly agree

I learned something new Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 40

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 28, 2025 19:32:02 pm

Last Seen: Jan 28, 2025 19:32:02 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

These are projected overall costs but the hidden numbers and long term aren't there (ie pensions benefits etc)

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Water
3. Road improvements
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Fire services
6. Sewer
7. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

This survey is poorly written. The largest budget increase is new staff and is not even an option. There is no need to hire so many. Short term contracts a much more viable option and you don't even include it

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

The only improvement would be proper budget process. Throwing out a sticker shock number in the media and then saying council cut it is misleading. They didn't cut anything and only pushed it to the next few years

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

This process is not at all transparent. Having staff come up with an 8 percent increase without question is wrong. Staff should be told to produce a budget within the cost of living increase and see what would be left out. Throwing out 8 percent and “settling” for 7 is an exercise without accountability. Surely some new hires could be deferred. Council may be able to absorb a tax height but not every one can. More due diligence and oversight is needed

Q9. How did you hear about the City’s budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Newspaper ads

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 41

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 29, 2025 07:43:29 am

Last Seen: Jan 29, 2025 07:43:29 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
Wages and equipment purchases.
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Sewer
 2. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 3. Water
 4. Fire services
 5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Road improvements
 8. Police services
 9. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Stop buying expensive electric vehicles for do nothing bylaw officers
-
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Boucherie rd has real problem with speeders why can't more 50k signage be installed in problem areas? From Prichard rd to Montigny rd drivers are FLYING , one sign every kilometer may help.
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Strongly disagree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used

Somewhat agree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly agree

I learned something new

Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 42

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 29, 2025 08:01:23 am

Last Seen: Jan 29, 2025 08:01:23 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Additional information? How about a balanced budget and a reasonable increase! My disability pension from WorkSafeBC increased a whopping 1.8% and I am already struggling to live paycheck to paycheck. Property taxes are not the only increase. Where so you think the money will come from?! I cannot make cuts anywhere else unless I move onto the street and rent out my basement where I now live!

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Water
3. Fire services
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Sewer
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Road improvements
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Make sensible decisions! I couldn't believe it when I saw concrete sidewalks being replaced on Merlot Court this past fall because they had a crack in them. Seriously! WT actual F. I walked it daily and it never effected my ability to walk on them safely nor was it a trip hazard. The stupid decisions and money wasted for ridiculous things like this is astonishing. It was simply cosmetic.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

There should be NO INCREASE IN TAXES - period. How about you work with a balanced budget for a while and prove you can keep your projects within, first.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

The self gratifying raises need to stop. The tax increases need to stop. You need to read the room and realize a lot of folks are stretched past the limit already and tensions are high. Look around at the homeless population and crime. Have you read about Ontario reaching 81,000 homeless now? Keep taxing people out of their homes and we will be heading in this direction, too. STOP IT already! We pay enough. Work with the budget you have, PLEASE!!!

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)
Watching Council meetings

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 43

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 29, 2025 11:06:57 am

Last Seen: Jan 29, 2025 11:06:57 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

An explanation of the 268 pages of highly detailed accounts that came without explanation. If the City wanted to hide information and prevent citizens from learning and knowing anything from a "public consultation", this information overload, without explanation would the way to intentional implement. Even this information, submitted officially, would come with explanations, as is required by law. It is clearly the intention of the City to waste money and hide information by providing this incomplete information in such a dense format. What is the City trying to hide? This should be investigated by an external review as there is clear, intentional misdirection by the city towards its citizens.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)
Provide information, with explanations, to enable citizens to develop an understanding of the issues to be able to make a choice for the appropriate way forward and direct their officials to follow their direction

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Sidewalks and active transportation
5. Fire services
6. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
7. Road improvements
8. Police services
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Reduce City's senior administration and instead put the money saved into providing information that citizens can understand and direct the City to undertake (using online citizen voting on City decisions as is used in other countries, for example Switzerland). Currently the City has many high-cost projects that have ended up costing far more than estimated and failed in their intended function (eg. Rose Valley Water Processing Facility, City Hall, etc). Senior City management are attempting to hide the issues by inappropriately awarding themselves public awards and hiding financial costs by supplying 268 page accounts without any explanation.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Rose Valley Water Processing Facility

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Increase transparency in the operations and management of West Kelowna City and provide information that is up-to-date and that citizens can understand, instead of hiding information and providing it in a way that cannot be understood

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)
Watching Council meetings

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 44

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 29, 2025 16:26:44 pm

Last Seen: Jan 29, 2025 16:26:44 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

What the City is doing to identify and increase efficiency with the current resources available. Every department is always requesting additional people and being less productive. The COWK needs to prioritize keeping tax increases under 4% above everything else or don't talk about working with the community to make living here affordable.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Sewer
4. Water
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Road improvements
7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

First off the accessibility and inclusion plan wants a full time employee? These 100% should not be City provided, tax funded. Stop building projects that the people of the COWK voted down, TWICE!!! then to top it off no one in city staff can keep anything close to budget.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Nothing, improve what you currently provide that is a necessity and cut everything else.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

What is the point of spending time and money publishing the following years budget forecast if it is just thrown in the garbage and never followed?

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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| The information presented was clear and easy to understand | Somewhat agree |
| I had an opportunity to share my views | Strongly disagree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Strongly disagree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Somewhat disagree |
| I learned something new | Strongly disagree |
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Respondent No: 45

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 29, 2025 23:03:46 pm

Last Seen: Jan 29, 2025 23:03:46 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Infrastructure Johnson Bentley torn down and a new updated with using H2O as an example for family fun and entertainment...that has meeting rooms ... party rooms.. office ... inside pickleball ... kiosk for vendors to bring in income rental ... karate... one very large building that would take away old Bentley pool.. the west kelowna community Center For this building would be a one stop for residents to attend and rent

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Reduce savings contributions and borrow more

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Police services
3. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
4. Road improvements
5. Fire services
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Water
8. Sewer
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Less administration

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

New recreational Center like H2O More environmental awareness with protecting the environment Examples Plant pacific willow trees in parks that are on the lake why it helps with improving water quality Find ways to keep saving wildlife and enhance education examples like saving turtles , spawning of fish

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Prioritize by triage without making the administration to top heavy with too many employees to triage

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

- Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)
 - City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)
 - City website
 - Watching Council meetings
 - Newspaper ads
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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|--|----------------|
| The information presented was clear and easy to understand | Somewhat agree |
| I had an opportunity to share my views | Somewhat agree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Somewhat agree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Somewhat agree |
| I learned something new | Somewhat agree |
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Respondent No: 46

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 30, 2025 02:41:27 am

Last Seen: Jan 30, 2025 02:41:27 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
This is not consultation. Council started at over 8 percent and to appease taxpayers made a superficial cut (deferred not cut)
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: **Other (please specify)**
Cut spending and hiring
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Water
 3. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 4. Fire services
 5. Road improvements
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Sewer
 8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Cut the new hires. It's simply not the time for such a drastic increase in staff. It's a wish list being rubber stamped
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
None
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
Not the right way to start a budget with a wish list and approve backwards.
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Newspaper ads

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 47

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 30, 2025 11:59:00 am

Last Seen: Jan 30, 2025 11:59:00 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
Don't know
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 2. Sewer
 3. Police services
 4. Water
 5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 8. Road improvements
 9. Fire services
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Reduce recreational programs and park development
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Care of roads and ensure good navigation through the city
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
None
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City website
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand Strongly agree

I had an opportunity to share my views Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used Strongly agree

Participating was a valuable experience Strongly agree

I learned something new Strongly agree



Respondent No: 48

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 30, 2025 17:18:54 pm

Last Seen: Jan 30, 2025 17:18:54 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Lower taxes, not higher.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
2. Parks, recreation, and facilities
3. Water
4. Road improvements
5. Fire services
6. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
7. Police services
8. Sewer
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Administration, etc.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

No, I would not increase taxes

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

A tax increase of at least 30% over five years? That is outrageous! Five to eight % increases year over year is simply not sustainable. When I purchased a home here 18yr ago, my prop taxes and city utility bill were LESS THAN HALF of what they are now!. What do I have to show for it? Less garbage and recycling p/u, crappier water, and traffic congestion due to thousands more houses being built, which was supposed to keep taxes low, and then being told there's not enough water for my lawn that was planted 45years ago! This city has gotten way too big for it's britches, way too fast. Reign it in West Kelowna.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply: Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 49

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 30, 2025 22:21:02 pm

Last Seen: Jan 30, 2025 22:21:02 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Fire services
6. Police services
7. Road improvements
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Reduce the parks and recreation sector. Many improvements have been made in the last 15 years people have many areas to enjoy already

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Fix our drinking water problem. Residents are fed up with the boil advisories

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Do not put any more money into the city hall construction or renovation. This building could have been built more modestly to begin with and residents don't want their Money spent on this project anymore

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City website
Referrals/word of mouth

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 50

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jan 31, 2025 15:31:11 pm

Last Seen: Jan 31, 2025 15:31:11 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to enhance or expand services
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Road improvements
 5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 6. Sidewalks and active transportation
 7. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 8. Sewer
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
-
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 51

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 01, 2025 07:32:17 am

Last Seen: Feb 01, 2025 07:32:17 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
2. Water
3. Fire services
4. Police services
5. Sewer
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Road improvements
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

not answered

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Bus services. More frequent buses on all routes around housing to help connect to the 97. Enabling people a more options for transportation.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Referrals/word of mouth

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 52

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 01, 2025 12:16:45 pm

Last Seen: Feb 01, 2025 12:16:45 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

how you came up with some of the budget items and projects. there is not enough back up documents that come with the budget to show how the budget you arrived at the budget amounts.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Road improvements
2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Police services
5. Water
6. Sewer
7. Fire services
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Parks and Recreation - there are many parks that are not used at all yet cost all of us to maintain. 55% of West Kelowna are retired with the remaining 45% mostly working in Kelowna. Walking trails are fine but everything else can stop. Please spend the taxpayer money in equal shares based on Demographics - I am still upset about \$600,000 on a new video gondola for the arena where only about a thousand sports fans attend - this does not benefit the entire population of West Kelowna and such a project should have been paid for by the sports fans only.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

I would improve budgeting and management - extreme overbudgets are due to poor management - I would also eliminate special interest costs and only spend on what benefits the entire population of West Kelowna. We need to eliminate the suppliers (and any City Staff) that increase their costs because they know the Government will rubber stamp the budget.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

How come we are seeing an increase to 800,000 in water chemicals? Were we drinking bad unsafe water prior to these chemicals? We need to make sure we are receiving what we are paying for with the RCMP who also cover other areas under their West Kelowna umbrella. Are the officers we are paying for covering Peachland or the Connector or Joe Rich? Multi-Pathways (such as Boucherie to Green Bay - only used by the very few) are great but not at the expense of improving the roads next to them. That money should have been spent in conjunction with widening and improving the same length of roadway.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat disagree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 53

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 01, 2025 23:32:14 pm

Last Seen: Feb 01, 2025 23:32:14 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Clearly needs to be more scrutiny by council. Accepting a budget and pushing some forward for next year is not budget over site. Very poor leadership. With tariffs and recession you are scaring off young people in our community. Because council May afford such a tax increase doesn't mean everyone can. Where is the responsibility of asking hard questions and actually being an over site body

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

Cut services and taxes

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Water
3. Fire services
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Road improvements
6. Sidewalks and active transportation
7. Sewer
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

This is not the time to be hiring so many full time stars for such a small city. This cost increase does not take into account pensions and benefits and binds the city for decades. This budget is a wish list council has rubber stamped

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

None. It's not the time

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Put in your business hats and reflect a true budget for urgent things. This is an unacceptable increase

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat agree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Somewhat disagree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly disagree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly disagree

I learned something new

Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 54

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 02, 2025 15:32:53 pm

Last Seen: Feb 02, 2025 15:32:53 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one:

Unsure

Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**

not answered

Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**

1. Water
2. Police services
3. Fire services
4. Sidewalks and active transportation
5. Road improvements
6. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
7. Sewer
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**

not answered

Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**

not answered

Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 55

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 02, 2025 16:08:26 pm

Last Seen: Feb 02, 2025 16:08:26 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Fire services
 2. Road improvements
 3. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 5. Sewer
 6. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 7. Police services
 8. Water
 9. Sidewalks and active transportation
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Watching Council meetings

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 56

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 02, 2025 16:08:47 pm

Last Seen: Feb 02, 2025 16:08:47 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 2. Road improvements
 3. Sewer
 4. Water
 5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 6. Fire services
 7. Sidewalks and active transportation
 8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 9. Police services
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Out of all the municipalities I've lived in . Water is , by far, the most expensive I've seen . On top of high property taxes
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
We should be focused on lowering property tax . It's extremely unaffordable and young people are fleeing
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
Encourage entrepreneurs like Jason Parks that bring tourism dollars to the city . Instead of making it difficult
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Print/digital media
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 57

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 02, 2025 22:34:04 pm

Last Seen: Feb 02, 2025 22:34:04 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to maintain current service levels

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Fire services
3. Road improvements
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Sidewalks and active transportation
6. Sewer
7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
8. Police services
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

not answered

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Figure out what's wrong with the rose valley water treatment plant and more transparency.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)
Print/digital media

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 58

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 07:03:28 am

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 07:03:28 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
3. Road improvements
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Fire services
6. Police services
7. Sewer
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Sidewalks and active transportation

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

No more bike lanes

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Fix our water problem

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Stop spending money on bike excessive bike lanes! I have yet to see more than 2 people use the Shannon lake bike paths but the amount of cars has risen!!

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 59

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 12:57:50 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 12:57:50 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

The draft available online was numbers only in very small print. The story board was also none informational. It would be nice to have written operational brief summaries along with goals and priorities from all departments and council. What worked, did not work. What was completed not completed. Why. What is the recourse to accomplish the goals or programs or address what did not work. Where were funds redirected and why. I also find the below question leading and not fair. Without the above information how do you expect citizens to make informed valid responses to the questions below. You will receive input that is based on poorly informed personal bias

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Road improvements
5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
6. Water
7. Sewer
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Nothing. Wee need what we have for a diverse thriving community

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Policing services

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

As per my comments above

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply: Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly disagree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat disagree
I learned something new	Strongly disagree



Respondent No: 60

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 13:44:35 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 13:44:35 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

I would like to see included what each department is doing to keep costs down and also what they are prepared to do to decrease expenses.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Water
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
6. Sewer
7. Road improvements
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

not answered

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 61

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 14:24:25 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 14:24:25 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Fire services
 2. Water
 3. Police services
 4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 5. Sewer
 6. Road improvements
 7. Sidewalks and active transportation
 8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Water - specifically the Rose Valley water system
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 62

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 16:16:37 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 16:16:37 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 2. Sidewalks and active transportation
 3. Water
 4. Police services
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Sewer
 7. Road improvements
 8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 9. Fire services
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
-

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

City website

Watching Council meetings

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Strongly agree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly agree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly agree

I learned something new

Strongly agree



Respondent No: 63

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 16:23:38 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 16:23:38 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one: Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Would like a detailed report on why the tax increase ask is substantially higher than inflation. An increase in growth should be covered considerably by the increased tax revenue from that growth.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

How about managing the city better. The only tax increase should balance with inflation to maintain the same level of service. A CAO's responsibility is to do this. City growth should mostly be covered by DCC's and new residents taxes.

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Police services
3. Water
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Road improvements
6. Sewer
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Bad question. It should read what could the city improve to reduce taxes. My answer would be better staff efficiency and management. Let's look at City Hall and the Water Treatment Plant fiasco.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Better planning Department.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Quit using the city is young to justify inadequacies. Also quit blaming senior staff that have left for bad decisions. Most of you were here in the seat during these decisions. Own up to it!!

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City website

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 64

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 03, 2025 17:12:41 pm

Last Seen: Feb 03, 2025 17:12:41 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Water
4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
5. Road improvements
6. Sewer
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Reduce regular garbage pick up to every two weeks

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

We don't need additional services we need to reduce wasteful exercises like excessive bike lanes and sidewalks that don't get used

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

It is ridiculous that we have to put more money into an already over budget city hall. Any improvements should be spread out over 5 years or more The planning dept is a bad joke. West Kelowna needs individuals that have hands on experience and understand the valley. We don't need nor want planning that copies Vancouver.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 65

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 04, 2025 11:11:54 am

Last Seen: Feb 04, 2025 11:11:54 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
NA
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut services to maintain the current tax level
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 2. Water
 3. Road improvements
 4. Fire services
 5. Police services
 6. Sewer
 7. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 9. Sidewalks and active transportation
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Development Services
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
Council needs to slow down the spending. It is well beyond the rate of inflation and the means of most people
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 66

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 04, 2025 12:07:22 pm

Last Seen: Feb 04, 2025 12:07:22 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

The increase in human resources spending and a comparison to how the taxable base has increased. What the metrics employed are to determine service levels. The projected savings from an amalgamation with the city of Kelowna A comparison of the growth in administrative costs (including personnel) to the growth in the tax base.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)
Begin with a per capita cost of municipal services in west kelowna comparison to other bc municipalities and ask administration to describe where we fall and how those costs can be reduced without reducing g service levels

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Fire services
3. Police services
4. Road improvements
5. Parks, recreation, and facilities
6. Sewer
7. Sidewalks and active transportation
8. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Administration. Reduce council.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

not answered

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

AN 8 per cent increase is unforgable at a point when the tax base is growing, when inflation is slightly above 2 per cent, and when many of your constituents are on fixed incomes. Tighten those belts, folks and challenge your administration to do better. This budget is a betrayal of trust and a leadership failure.

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 67

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 05, 2025 07:22:37 am

Last Seen: Feb 05, 2025 07:22:37 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Enhanced facilitation in youth growth programs including sporting events, and inclusion events.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Increase taxes to enhance or expand services

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
2. Sidewalks and active transportation
3. Road improvements
4. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Fire services
7. Water
8. Sewer
9. Police services

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Snow removal programs because we don't get any snow. ;)

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Enhanced City of West Kelowna job fairs promoting more people to join the City of West Kelowna staff and make a difference.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

The Draft 2025 Budget displays an immersive view point on allocation of funds to targeted projects, demonstrates growth and opportunity within City of West Kelowna and enhanced facilitation to making the community better. ;)

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

City website

Referrals/word of mouth

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat agree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly agree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly agree

I learned something new

Strongly agree



Respondent No: 68

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 05, 2025 11:19:39 am

Last Seen: Feb 05, 2025 11:19:39 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
1. An explanation for double entries of items such as computer and cell phone on the projected budgets for new hires.
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Sewer
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Road improvements
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
- Reduce wages and expenditures for new hires. Starting wages could increase incrementally.
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
- not answered
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
- not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 69

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 06, 2025 02:38:51 am

Last Seen: Feb 06, 2025 02:38:51 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

not answered

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut services to maintain the current tax level

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Parks, recreation, and facilities
3. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
4. Police services
5. Fire services
6. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
7. Road improvements
8. Sidewalks and active transportation
9. Sewer

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

General government services. All other services are more important.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Parks and recreation. Providing a single public facility that promotes health and wellness within the communities. Something like a multi-purpose indoor complex.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Can you reduce non beneficial spending? ie: Food expense for administration. Upgrading acoustics in City hall council chamber. Reducing cost for professional conference and training I don't see how these benefit the community

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 70

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 07, 2025 12:45:18 pm

Last Seen: Feb 07, 2025 12:45:18 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

I need more information

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

The citizenry is being taxed to death by all 3 levels of government who seem to think we are bottomless pits of money, instead of the harsh realities that we are seriously struggling to pay all kinds of bills including the quarterly Utilities and Home Heating costs with its monthly CARBON TAX. This City needs to exercise Restraint not Growth - we need taxes Lowered not Raised - Is Council not aware of this ?

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
2. Parks, recreation, and facilities
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Road improvements
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Sewer
7. Police services
8. Fire services
9. Water

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Stop all new residential construction and stop new road s construction

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

There are no "Community Centers" in many "Communities" just lots of houses with no place to gather & socialize with the neighborhood community. Most neighborhoods have no sense of "community" at all - just a bunch of houses with no community connection.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

DO whatever it takes to REDUCE TAXES !!!

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 71

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 07, 2025 13:30:06 pm

Last Seen: Feb 07, 2025 13:30:06 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one:

Unsure

Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**

not answered

Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**

1. Police services
2. Sidewalks and active transportation
3. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
4. Parks, recreation, and facilities
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Sewer
7. Water
8. Fire services
9. Road improvements

Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**

Parks

Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**

Police to deal with the drugged up homeless everywhere

Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**

People can NOT afford this, has anyone thought of that???? This is not the time to raise taxes.

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat disagree



Respondent No: 72

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 08, 2025 08:00:45 am

Last Seen: Feb 08, 2025 08:00:45 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Road improvements
 4. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 5. Sidewalks and active transportation
 6. Water
 7. Sewer
 8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
-
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
-
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
Very disappointed \$1 million more needed for Rose Valley after initial costs and delay. Unacceptable
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Strongly agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Somewhat agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 73

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 08, 2025 11:12:33 am

Last Seen: Feb 08, 2025 11:12:33 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Sewer
 5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 6. Road improvements
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Sidewalks and active transportation
 9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
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- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** Print/digital media
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Somewhat agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 74

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 08, 2025 15:03:58 pm

Last Seen: Feb 08, 2025 15:03:58 pm

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
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- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
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- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Increase taxes to maintain current service levels
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- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Balance savings contributions and borrowing
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- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Fire services
 3. Water
 4. Sewer
 5. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 6. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 7. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 8. Road improvements
 9. Sidewalks and active transportation
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- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Less road sanding. We had very little snow this year but my street, Wild Horse Drive, was overly sanded.
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- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
Enhance beach facilities
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- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
I have been a West Kelowna resident and property tax payer for 12 years and I have always been pleased with how council has balanced services with tax rates. I recognize that probably council has keep taxes a bit lower than necessary over the years so I have no objection to this year's tax increase as a catch up. Keep up the great work.

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 75

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 08, 2025 17:21:06 pm

Last Seen: Feb 08, 2025 17:21:06 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

a side by side breakdown for the previous 2 years against the forecast years so we can easily see where budget increases and decreases are being realized. Also what efforts are being done to reduce the budget increase. 7.4% is a significant budget increase relative to the inflation forecast of 2% for 2025. The potential of crippling Tariffs and the affordability crisis affecting all residents in West Kelowna is a top priority. Drive efficiency and make West Kelowna affordable

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Other (please specify)

Perform an efficiency analysis to look for efficiencies from all departments to improve service delivery at a reduced cost. Set cost reduction targets to drive expected results.

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Fire services
2. Sidewalks and active transportation
3. Sewer
4. Water
5. Police services
6. Road improvements
7. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
9. Parks, recreation, and facilities

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Parks, recreation, and facilities. These are a nice to have items, but basic services must be provided first. All services should be reviewed for efficiencies to reduce costs in all Service cost centers.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Get ready for the Trump effect, its going to be a bumpy 4 years if the tariffs are implemented. How will the city off set the tariffs and grow alternate revenue streams over and above a tax increase.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Strongly agree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree



Respondent No: 76

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 09, 2025 11:17:28 am

Last Seen: Feb 09, 2025 11:17:28 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Pursue joint initiatives, to save costs ie: work with MOTI, RDCO or WFN to deliver capital projects.

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Water
2. Road improvements
3. Sidewalks and active transportation
4. Police services
5. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
6. Parks, recreation, and facilities
7. Sewer
8. Fire services
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Policing, have the Federal Government contribute more.

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

Increase contribution to road, infrastructure improvements when development occurs. ie: complete or connect a sidewalk in conjunction with a development to save money and improve network functionality.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

- City website
 - Newspaper ads
 - Print/digital media
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Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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| The information presented was clear and easy to understand | Strongly agree |
| I had an opportunity to share my views | Somewhat agree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Somewhat agree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Strongly agree |
| I learned something new | Strongly agree |
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Respondent No: 77

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 10, 2025 11:32:53 am

Last Seen: Feb 10, 2025 11:32:53 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increaseSelect one:

Reasonably well

Q2. What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)

Where DCC's from each neighbourhood are spent (break down of allocation).

Q3. Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?Choose one option:

Cut additional programs and services to reduce taxes

Q4. Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?Choose one:

Balance savings contributions and borrowing

Q5. Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):

1. Police services
2. Fire services
3. Water
4. Sewer
5. Sidewalks and active transportation
6. Road improvements
7. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities
9. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)

Q6. If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)

Parks and rec - moat parks are not utilized to warrant additional purchase, maintenance and costs for new parks. Please note: I object to any use of alternative approval process for any projects going forward. Put it to a vote!

Q7. If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)

No tax increase! 7.35% this year is 3x the current rate of inflation. W.K. taxes have risen 62.3% from 2008 to present. Unsustainable for retired folks on fixed incomes.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

not answered

Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:**

Newspaper ads

Q10. **Please provide your feedback on the following statements:**

The information presented was clear and easy to understand

Somewhat agree

I had an opportunity to share my views

Strongly agree

I understood how my input would be used

Strongly disagree

Participating was a valuable experience

Strongly agree

I learned something new

Somewhat agree



Respondent No: 78

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Feb 10, 2025 11:41:21 am

Last Seen: Feb 10, 2025 11:41:21 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Police services
 2. Water
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 6. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 7. Fire services
 8. Sewer
 9. Sidewalks and active transportation
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
Parks and rec - instead of spending money on flower pots for downtown etc., start funding solutions for the drug addicts/homeless problem. Downtown West Kelowna is going to turn into an 'East Hastings' if we don't start dealing with this properly. This will drive businesses out of the area and prevent good ones from coming in. Consider a community fundraiser, plan for this problem as well. I have heard people are willing to donate land and construction for this.
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
See previous comments on street people/drug addicts problem. There has been a lot of talk over the years about this problem and no action. Problem is getting worse.

Q8. Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):

Need to change bylaws - should be illegal to be on the street/homeless and partaking in drug and alcohol use. A facility needs to be built out of town --> involuntary confinement for these people. Have to detox, get counselling services, learn a skill, work on site. As of now, proposed "day home" by BC Housing. No one wants this in their neighbourhood and it does not solve the problem with theft and property damage that occurs at night or raw wye sore of tent cities. It does not solve the problem to have them voluntarily come in as most won't go in for help to change their situation. Need to plan this out if you want Main Street to be a "vibrant community hub".

Q9. How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:

Social media (Facebook, X, Instagram)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

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| I had an opportunity to share my views | Strongly agree |
| I understood how my input would be used | Somewhat agree |
| Participating was a valuable experience | Somewhat agree |
| I learned something new | Somewhat agree |
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Respondent No: 79

Login: Anonymous

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Responded At: Feb 10, 2025 11:42:49 am

Last Seen: Feb 10, 2025 11:42:49 am

IP Address: n/a

- Q1. **Based on your review of the Draft 2025 Budget materials, how well do you understand the following aspects of the City's operations?- Revenue and expenses- Priorities, programs, and services the City provides- The proposed tax increase**Select one: Reasonably well
- Q2. **What additional information would you like to see included in future annual budget consultations? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q3. **Municipal property taxes are the primary way to fund services provided by the City of West Kelowna. Due to increased costs of maintaining current service levels and infrastructure, the City must balance taxation and service delivery levels. Which of the following options would you suggest we pursue?**Choose one option: Introduce cost recovery through user-pay fees to reduce taxes
- Q4. **Regarding financial planning at the City, what is most important to you?**Choose one: Increase savings in reserves for capital projects and borrow less
- Q5. **Please rank the following services and infrastructure from 1 (highest priority) to 9 (lowest priority):**
1. Parks, recreation, and facilities
 2. Road maintenance (e.g., snow removal, pothole repair)
 3. Water
 4. Sidewalks and active transportation
 5. Fire services
 6. Police services
 7. Sewer
 8. Development services (e.g., business licensing, development applications)
 9. Road improvements
- Q6. **If you could reduce one City service in exchange for lower taxes, what would it be and why? (300 words)**
not answered
- Q7. **If you could improve one City service or add another enhancement to the budget, recognizing it could increase taxes, what would it be and why?(300 words)**
not answered
- Q8. **Any other additional comments or suggestions on the Draft 2025 Budget (300 words):**
not answered
- Q9. **How did you hear about the City's budget consultation? Please select all that apply:** City's e-News updates (Sign up at westkelownacity.ca/subscribe)

Q10. Please provide your feedback on the following statements:

The information presented was clear and easy to understand	Somewhat agree
I had an opportunity to share my views	Strongly agree
I understood how my input would be used	Somewhat disagree
Participating was a valuable experience	Strongly agree
I learned something new	Strongly agree
