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**To:** [Budget2024](#)  
**Subject:** Questions on draft 2024-2028 financial plan  
**Date:** February 9, 2024 3:04:45 PM

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Good afternoon,

I have been reading the budget documents posted on the City's website for the draft 2024-2028 financial plan, and I look forward to watching the video recording of the Committee of the Whole meeting held last night. The documents look great and I appreciate the significant staff resources that have obviously gone into them, in an effort to demystify the budget process for Langford residents. Kudos to your staff for that.

I have a couple of questions based on my initial read through the documents that I'm hoping you can address. These are:

**YMCA:**

1. Is the proposed purchase of the facility represented by the \$41.05M item funded by debt on the line titled "FA08 - Admin Property Purchase" of the 2024 capital budget?
2. Is the revenue of \$108K on the line titled "0561 - Purchase & Sale Agreement - Revenue Fee" beginning in 2024 also associated with the YMCA facility, assuming the purchase of the facility? *Note: if the answer to this question is "no" could you kindly confirm what this line is for, and point out where in the draft financial plan I can find revenues associated with the purchased YMCA facility, or if there are any?*
3. The presentation slides for the February 8, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting show an 11.79% tax increase including the purchase of the YMCA facility, and a 10.04% tax increase without the debt service costs associated with the purchase. Do any of the figures provided in the budget documents contemplate the revenue and expense impacts associated with *not* purchasing the YMCA facility? I would anticipate that under such a scenario, revenue would be reduced and expenses would be increased perhaps by as much as the \$1.9M operating subsidy paid in 2023. Can you please clarify?

**Non-YMCA related questions:**

4. It appears the City's phased reduction in the use of the general amenity reserve fund to offset tax increases is less aggressive than what we saw in the 2023-2027 financial plan. This is evident in the planned transfer from the reserve in 2026 which is \$1.25M in the 2024-2028 plan but only \$1M in the 2023-2027 plan. Is this an accurate description of what is proposed?
5. What is the status of the Growing Communities Fund \$16.464M provincial grant that the City received? This was proposed to be a significant source of funding for the capital strategy proposed in last year's budget that involved the YMCA purchase, RCMP detachment, and future asset management costs. It's not clear from the budget documents whether this money is still being earmarked for these purposes (excluding the RCMP detachment), as there is no mention of the grant.

I do have additional feedback on the budget that is more appropriately submitted as feedback to Council, which I will send separately. Answers to the above questions are certain to influence that feedback.

Thank you very much for your ongoing efforts,

Frazer Johnson

**From:** [Langford Finance General Mailbox](#)  
**To:** [Curtis Staniforth](#)  
**Subject:** FW: New submission from Topic Contact Form  
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Budget question.....

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Good afternoon. I am just reviewing the 5 year plan and this years proposed budget. I cannot find the pool or the stadium are these items build into parks and recreation or am I looking in the wrong area? Thank you for your time.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Mayor Goodmanson](#); [Mary Wagner](#); [Kimberley Guiry](#); [Keith Yacucha](#); [Mark Morley](#); [Lillian Szpak](#); [Colby Harder](#); [Budget2024](#)  
**Subject:** Bugdet 2024 - Misting Station  
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Hi All,

Wonderful presentation again and I very happy to see a lot of community projects such as the library etc. The one that I had really hoped would of crossed the minds of City Hall was a budget for a Misting Station in the Core. It is anticipated that our summer will be hot one again and I feel we really could use one, maybe two? The extended time for the Splash Parks in the summer is most welcomed, but it is not a solution that fits all residents of Langford.

Thanks for reading

Sincerely,  
P. Hamilton  
Langford Resident

***“We are all walking each other home”***

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Expenditures that do not impact general tax increases  
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As indicated by Mike Dillabaugh, there are several expenditures that do not have an impact on general tax increases as they are funded through other sources.

That said, can you please provide me with a list of the expenditures indicated in the 2024 financial plan that are funded by specific revenue sources (and not general revenue)? Please include which revenue sources these expenditures are funded by.

Regards  
Steven Rossander

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Budget2024](#)  
**Subject:** 2024 Capital Budget Question  
**Date:** February 12, 2024 8:08:24 AM

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Hi there,

Can you please provide the details for the “FA08 – Admin Property Purchase” with a value of \$41,050,000 in the 2024 Capital Budget. Specifically, I would like to know which property this purchase is referring to.

Regards  
Steven Rossander

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Question about missing Budget 2024 presentation material  
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Greetings,

Hi there. I attended both last week's and this week's Committee of the Whole meetings where the 2024 budget and the 5-Year plan were released to the council and the public. During last week's meetings, in addition to the introduction given by Mr. Dillabough, there were 3 more presentations: from the Westshore RCMP, from Langford Fire Services, and from the municipal bylaw enforcement department. I see that the main presentation from last week is in the list of budget-related documents on the website; is there a chance that the three presentations from those delegations will also be uploaded to the website? If not, why not?

Thanks so kindly in advance for the information.

Warmest regards,  
Trisha

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I acknowledge with greatest respect that I live, work, and study on the traditional territory for many Coast Salish peoples including the W̱SÁNEĆ, the Esquimalt, the Songhees, and the Sc'ianew. Without their stewardship of the land, what I will accomplish during my life here will not be possible. I'm also a Canadian permanent resident from the United States, and the first generation of my family from the Philippines.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Tennis courts  
**Date:** February 13, 2024 9:52:37 AM

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Sent from my iPhone

Hi :

I am pleased to hear that Langford is redoing the 2 courts at Centennial Park. I would like to see Langford add more publicly accessible tennis courts in the coming years. Please consider adding this to the 5 year financial plan.

Sincerely,

Johane Mui

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** 2024 Budget Information Request  
**Date:** February 13, 2024 7:38:06 AM

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Can you please provide me with the Following information:

1. 2023 actuals (e.g. the most current year to date amounts subject to change) for each of the Revenue and Expenditure lines in the 2024 - 2028 Fiscal plan that has been provided to the Council and Public.
2. A copy of the 2023 operating reports for the YMCA, as specified under section 4.8 the Services Agreement between the YMCA and the City of Langford.
3. A summary of the total number of new City staff positions being requested and their funding impact by year on the 2024 - 2028 Fiscal plan.
4. A breakdown of the cost of the Strategic Plan initiatives for 2024. Specifically, I would like to know the total cost that will be attributed to consultants vs city staff.

I would like this information before end of day today in order to be prepared for the public participation at tonight's council meeting.

Regards  
Steven Rossander