



2021 Opening of the North Delta Track & Field Facility



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Mayor

## UPDATE FROM MAYOR HARVIE & DELTA COUNCIL

Thanks to our community's commitment to looking out for each other and getting vaccinated, the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions is enabling the return of several popular community events this summer. The best part about local events and festivals is the opportunity to gather and celebrate as a community again. Of course, this is only possible thanks to the dedicated team of health care professionals, first responders, caregivers, and front-line workers that have served our community throughout the pandemic. We could not be more grateful.

Recognizing the importance of outdoor spaces and activities, and following the opening of the North Delta Track & Field facility, Delta Council is excited to announce a series of initiatives to enhance the livability of Delta. This investment in the health and wellbeing of our community will pay dividends, with residents living healthier, longer, and more active lifestyles. These investments were only made possible through years of strong financial planning.



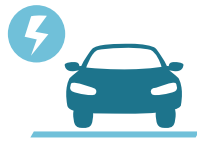







Ladner Lacrosse Box Cover (Rendering)



## WHAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED

In addition to being named by *Maclean's* as the best community in Metro Vancouver, the City achieved tremendous results in 2021 thanks to the hard work and determination of staff and the support of the community.

 <p>#1 ranked community in Metro Vancouver (<i>Maclean's</i>)</p>	 <p>Approved the new RapidBus on Scott Road (Anticipated 2023)</p>
<p>20 new electric vehicle charging locations added throughout Delta for a total of 30</p> 	<p>Approved the Housing Action Plan</p> 
 <p>21,670 seniors wellness calls made</p>	 <p>72 Avenue Improvement Project</p>
<p>Planted nearly 800 trees and adopted a new Delta Tree Protection &amp; Regulation Bylaw</p> 	<p>Delta's free Immunization Transportation Service helped 1,765 residents get to their COVID-19 vaccination appointments</p> 

## 2022 BUDGET

The City's 2022 budget focuses on providing residents and businesses with continued core service levels and maintaining the high level of public safety expected by our community. Investing in community infrastructure also represents a major part of this year's budget, while continuing our commitment to no new borrowing.

To support these goals and our budget principles, a property tax increase of 2.99% was approved for 2022. 1.65% of this increase accounts for City services, covering contractual wage costs and the operating costs associated with infrastructure created in prior years. The remaining 1.34% provides for enhanced community infrastructure and additional neighbourhood livability and safety improvements like park upgrades, sidewalk connections, street lighting upgrades, new crosswalks, and enhanced road safety.

### Property Tax Increase Breakdown



**2.99%**  
**INCREASE**

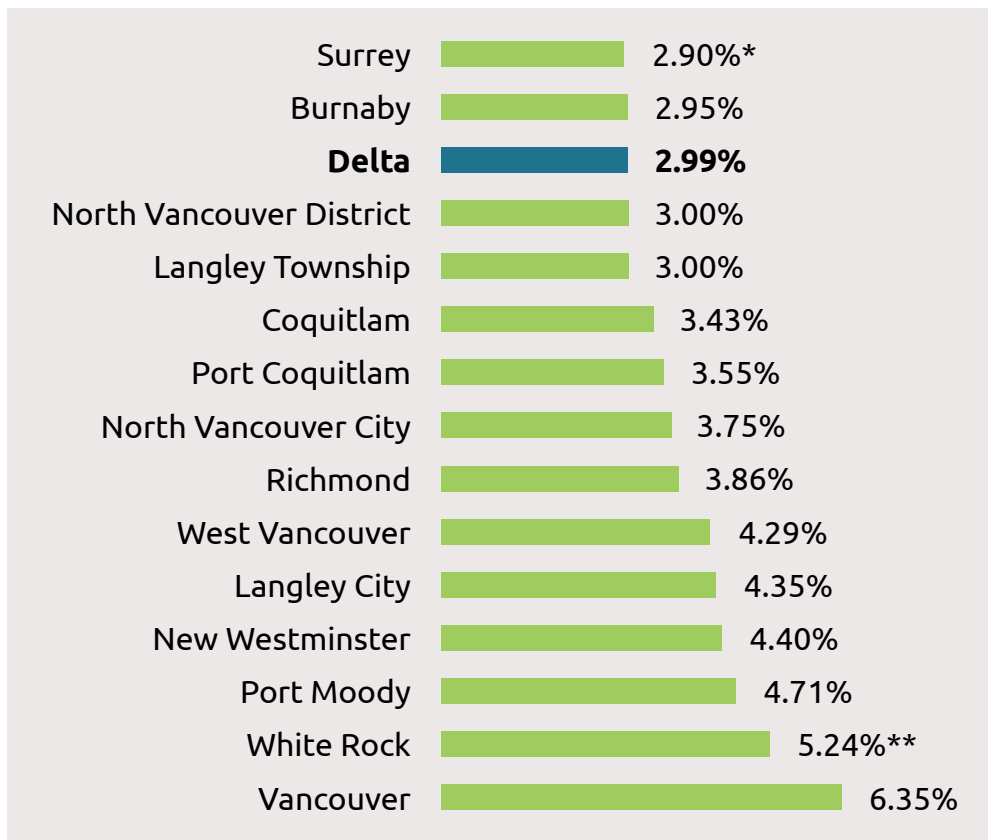
1.65% City Services

1.34% Enhanced Community Infrastructure

*which includes Neighbourhood Livability and Safety, Parks Sustainable Infrastructure Funding, and Civic Amenities*

The City's track record of prudent financial planning has allowed us to invest in the community with high quality services and infrastructure, while continuing to have one of the lowest tax rates in the region. Your tax dollars are supporting the community as we build for a healthier, stronger, and more equitable City.

### Comparing Delta's 2022 Property Tax Increase:



\* Surrey also charges a parcel tax of \$300, which has not increased from 2021.

\*\* This is a preliminary number and has yet to be approved by White Rock's Council.

### PROPERTY TAX BREAKDOWN

The tax rate together with the assessed value of a property determines the amount of property tax payable each year. The City does not determine property values and increases in property values do not increase the City's revenue, which is determined by the City's budget.

This year's 2.99% property tax increase for an average residential home in Delta is approximately \$74. This estimate is based on an average home in Delta with an assessed value of \$1.2 million and assumes that the home's value increased in line with the average residential increase of 28%. If your home increased less than the 28% average, your Delta property tax increase will be less than 2.99% and if your home increased by more than the 28% average, your property tax increase will be over 2.99%.

This estimate only reflects the City's portion of taxes. Provincial legislation also requires Delta to collect taxes for services provided by other taxing authorities, including provincial school taxes, TransLink, Metro Vancouver, BC Assessment, and the Municipal Finance Authority.

*View the next page for a graphical breakdown.*

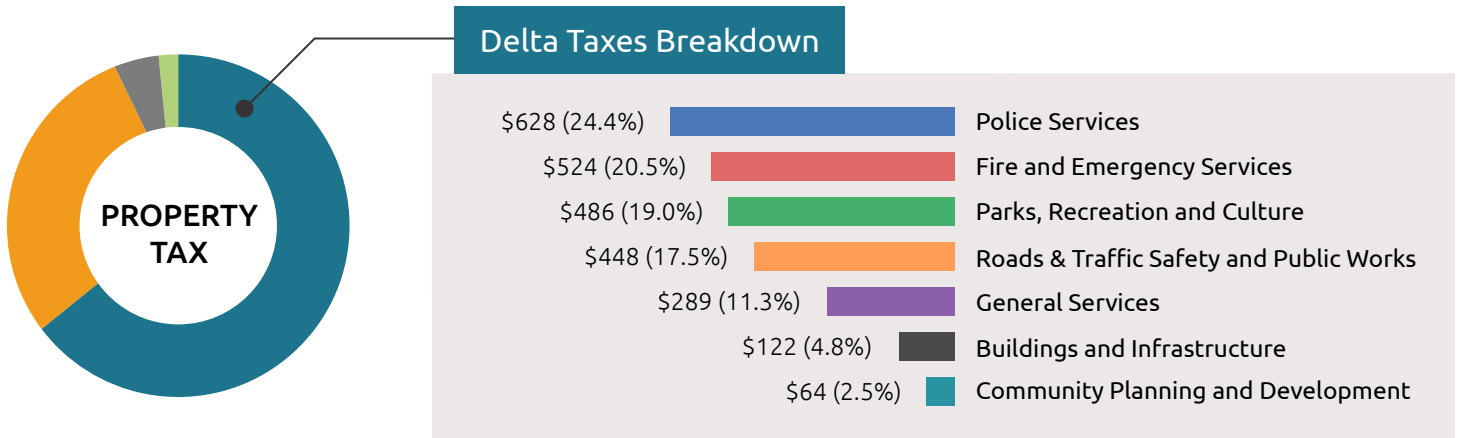
### 2022 PROJECTS & INITIATIVES

- Ladner Lacrosse Box Cover
- Delta Secondary School track resurfacing design
- New fieldhouse at North Delta Track & Field Facility
- New fieldhouse for Winskill Park & Tsawwassen Lawn Bowling
- Additional enclosed off-leash dog areas
- Ladner Village Revitalization, including new outdoor public space along the Ladner waterfront
- Park washroom & accessibility upgrades
- The Street FUN-iture program, including pop-up parks
- Playground renewal program
- Improvements at North Delta Community Park and Cromie Park
- More electric vehicle charging stations and hundreds more tree plantings
- Finalization of updated Social Action Plan
- Implementation of Delta's Equity, Diversity and Inclusion work plan
- Return of Annual Spring Clean-Up



Delta Taxes Breakdown on the average residential property value in Delta of \$1.2 million.

- Delta Taxes \$2,561 (62.2%)
- Province of BC, School Taxes \$1,181 (28.7%)
- TransLink \$271 (6.5%)
- Regional Agencies \$104 (2.6%)



For more information on property taxes in Delta and our video on how they work, please visit [Delta.ca/propertytaxes](http://Delta.ca/propertytaxes).

ACHIEVING RESULTS

Three years ago, Delta Council announced the beginning of a new free recreation pass for youth aged 10 to 18. I was pleased that last year, Council agreed to expand on this program by lowering the "Super Senior" age from 85 to 75. This means that all seniors aged 75 and older now receive free access to all of Delta's recreation centres.

I am also excited about the continuation of Delta's Street FUN-iture program. This summer we are taking these popular outdoor gathering spaces to a new level of fun with 9-hole miniature golf courses at Sunstone Village in North Delta and on Bridge Street in Ladner. Pop-up parks will also be featured in Tsawwassen's Bayside Village and at all three of our Delta libraries, providing outdoor gathering spaces throughout the City for all ages to enjoy.

Through prudent fiscal management, the city remains in a strong financial position. Despite the challenges of the last two years, our city is moving forward with key investments across all of our communities. As Mayor, I am committed to ensuring that Delta continues to spend within its means, providing outstanding services and needed capital improvements while keeping taxes low.

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