



CONOVER NEIGHBOR

JULY 2022



WHERE DOES MY TAX DOLLAR GO?

PUBLIC SAFETY
42¢



In June, the Conover City Council adopted our annual operating budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The annual budget process is influenced by factors including economic trends, service expectations, and emerging community needs identified by Council and the City's staff. The budget represents significant consideration and study of these factors and, accordingly, I am confident the budget will serve the community well.

The entire region continues to see a high demand for various types of housing, and Conover has been positioned to help meet these needs with several local housing projects that are in progress and will continue throughout the year.

This year's budget funds 3 new positions, with a 2.5% cost of living salary adjustment for all city employees.

The current tax rate of .50 cents will remain the same. The proposed budget is based off a new value increase in total assessed property by 3.5%.

The budget also includes a 3% increase to the water and sewer consumption rate. The increase is result of a 3% rise in the cost of water purchased from the City of Hickory.

FY 22-23 budget includes an adjusted Schedule of Fees, with minor increases in Planning related fees, and a \$1 increase in our Landfill Fee from \$14 to \$15 per month.

To accommodate the growth in services the City provides, a renovation on City Hall is slated to begin this year. The renovation will begin on the basement level, and will provide offices for our Finance Department, and a more accessible and efficient layout of Utility Billing counters.

The City's Stewardship of public funds is among the most important tasks entrusted to us as public servants. The budget reflects commitment to our community goals, maintains and expands current levels of service, invests in our community's infrastructure, and responds to emerging community needs and desires.

Respectfully,

Tom C. Hart | City Manager | City of Conover

PUBLIC WORKS

32¢



GENERAL GOVERNMENT
14¢



CAPITAL SAVINGS & INVESTMENTS

5¢



DEBT SERVICE

4¢



PUBLIC PLACES

2¢



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1¢





OUR SCHEDULE OF FEES HAS CHANGED!

Beginning July 1, 2022 the City of Conover will operate on an updated Schedule of Fees adopted by City Council. Please note important changes throughout the entire schedule.

View Schedule of Fees by visiting:

<https://bit.ly/3NiaIh5>

or by scanning the QR code with your smartphone!



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SAVE THE DATE

July 2nd: Conover Farmer's Market | 8am-12pm | Post Office Parking Lot

July 4th: City Offices Closed for Independence Day

July 9th: Conover Farmer's Market | 8am-12pm | Post Office Parking Lot

July 16th: Catawba's Traveling Library @ Conover Farmer's Market | 8am-12pm | Post Office Parking Lot

July 23rd: Ident-A-Kid & Safe Medication Take-Back | Conover Farmers Market | 8am-12pm | Post Office Parking Lot

July 23rd: Conover Merchant's Sidewalk Sale | 9am-2pm | Downtown Conover

Coming up:

City Offices Closed July 4th for Independence Day.

City Council: July City Council will meet on Monday, July 11th at 7pm at Conover City Hall.

Planning Board: July Planning Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12th at 6:30 p.m. at Conover City Hall.



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