



2018 Budget

The purpose of this article is to provide 2018 budget information concerning the City of Hanover to interested citizens. The budget is published in accordance with Minnesota Statute § 471.6965. This publication is a summary of the budget. The complete budget may be examined at the Hanover City Hall, 11250 5th St. NE, Hanover, MN 55341. The City Council approved this budget on December 19, 2017.

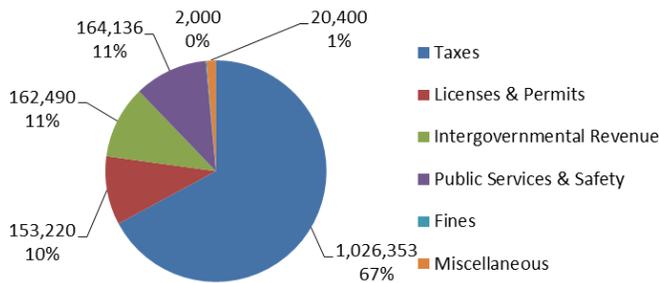
| Revenues | 2017 | 2018 | Expenditures | 2017 | 2018 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| Property Taxes (excludes MV Credits) | \$941,724 | \$1,011,353 | General Government (board, administration, etc.) | \$490,826 | \$530,422 |
| Franchise Fees | 12,000 | 12,000 | Public Safety | 410,358 | 486,280 |
| Licenses & Permits | 62,120 | 153,220 | Streets/Highways (excludes construction) | 372,100 | 450,997 |
| State General Purpose Aid (MV Credits, etc.) | 108,169 | 117,651 | Culture and Recreation | 55,000 | 55,900 |
| State Categorical Aid (state aid for streets, etc.) | 41,839 | 44,839 | Misc. Current Expenditures | 250 | 5,000 |
| Charges for Service | 136,450 | 164,136 | Total Current Expenditures | 1,328,544 | 1,528,599 |
| Fines and Forfeits | 2,000 | 2,000 | Debt Service-Principal | 373,138 | 340,000 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | 22,400 | 20,400 | Interest & Fiscal Charges | 64,259 | 70,301 |
| Total Revenues | \$1,326,541 | \$1,528,599 | Total Expenditures & Other Financing Uses | \$1,675,941 | \$1,938,900 |

From the Administrator: The Budget Overview

Each year cities are required to prepare and adopt an annual budget. The budget is one year of estimated revenue, money coming into the city, and expenditures, money going out. It captures city activities and services supported for the coming year.

Preparing a city budget involves policy decisions by the Council and helps assign funding to specific goals. During this process, Council and staff review the past year and look to the coming year and what city activities may be changed, dropped, or increased.

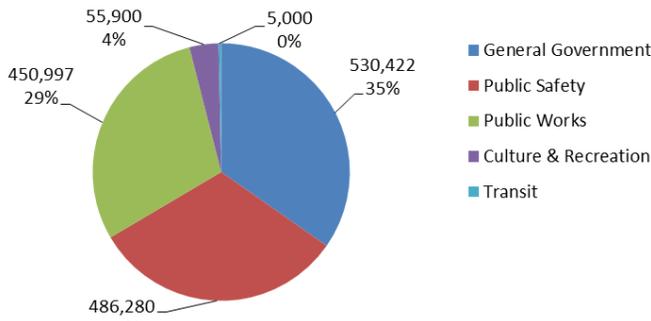
Since property taxes are the primary source of revenue for cities, cities must submit their property tax levies to the county auditor. Cities also participate in a revenue-sharing program called local government aid (LGA). This supplements property tax revenue.



General Fund Revenue

The process of preparing the annual budget starts during the summer months since the Minnesota Department of Revenue notifies the cities of state aid amounts as well as the applicable levy limit.

By the end of September, cities must adopt their proposed budget for the following year and certify their proposed levy to the county auditor.



General Fund Expenditures

Between November 25th and December 20th, the city must hold its Truth in Taxation Public Hearing. The City January 2018

of Hanover held its hearing on December 5th. Brian Hagen, the City Administrator, explained the factors which influence a tax levy, how the budgeting process works, and a breakdown of the preliminary property tax levy. He gave examples of what property owners in Wright and Hennepin County might expect to see on their property tax statements. A copy of the Truth in Taxation handout is available at City Hall and at www.hanovermn.org.

The Hanover City Council has set the goal of adopting a budget and tax levy that allows the City's local tax rate to remain flat or reduced. During a period of a flat tax rate, a property that does not have an adjustment in value would also see no adjustment in the amount of taxes paid to the City. There may be other areas within the overall total property tax that do see adjustments. For taxes payable in 2018, Hanover estimates a local tax rate reduction of approximately 3.5%. This was largely in part due to an increased expectation of building permit revenue from the Crow River Heights West Third Addition plat that was approved in 2017. The developer anticipates homes being built spring of 2018.

The City expects 2018 to offer another exciting year. There have been expressed interests in additional developers coming to Hanover. Additionally, the City is planning a road maintenance project that could see three different areas of Hanover receiving road improvements. Lastly, the new Public Works Facility will be completed and staff will begin the transition to the new facility at the end of January.

The final levy will be certified to the county auditor by December 28th. If residents have questions regarding the 2018 Budget and Levy, please contact Brian Hagen, City Administrator, at 763-497-3777 extension 1 or at brianh@ci.hanover.mn.us.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Hanover residents may recycle their Christmas trees by taking them up to the St. Michael Compost Site. Please make sure all ornaments and lights have been taken off. Residents that still need to pick up an access card may stop in City Hall during business hours.

The St. Michael Compost Site is located at 3150 Lander Avenue NE and can be entered using an access card. The site no longer has set hours so residents may go whenever it is convenient.



Plowing and Parking: It's all about the Snow!

The snow season has started and it is time to revisit regulations and expectations.

Parking on the Streets

There is no parking on any residential street between 2 am and 6 am **or during a snow event**. This is in effect from November 1st until April 1st of the following year. Residents need to plan ahead and pay attention to the possibility of snow so as not to park on the street. Violators will be towed.

Plowing

Public Works staff will start plowing snow when:

- Snow accumulates and there is a continual snowfall.
- Drifting of snow causes travel issues.
- Icing and/or freezing rain affects travel.
- Time of snowfall is during heavy use of the streets.

Residents should be aware that plows may make several passes and there may be a need to shovel driveways and sidewalks more than once. If conditions become too dangerous, plows will be taken off the road until it is safe to resume plowing.

State Law Prohibits Putting Snow on the Streets

Minnesota State Statute §160.2715 prohibits plowing, pushing or blowing snow from a private residence onto the street or across the street.

Shoveling Sidewalks

City Ordinance Chapter 5, Section 5.04 outlines the responsibilities of property owners regarding snow and ice removal on public sidewalks. Within 12 hours of a snow or ice event, residents should have the sidewalks in front of their property shoveled. The City appreciates its residents taking care of the sidewalks along

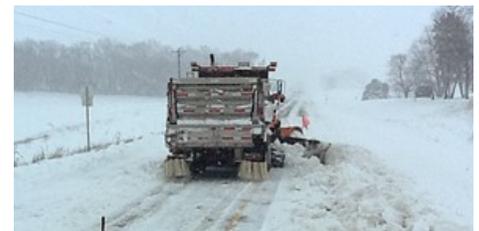
their property!

Mailbox Safety

The Hanover Post Office would like to remind residents to make sure the area around the mailboxes is clear of all snow. This allows carriers to deliver the mail easily and safely.

Playing in the Snow

Parents need to remind their children that it is not safe to play in the streets or around mailboxes. It is sometimes difficult for mail carriers and snow plow drivers to see children, especially if they are playing in areas not cleared of snow. Thank you for helping keep everyone safe!



Public Works Facility Open House Coming Soon!

The Hanover Public Works facility located at 11149 5th Street NE will soon be completed.

Residents will be invited to an open house to tour the building sometime in late winter or early spring. Please watch the City Facebook page and website for details in 2018.



Board Members Wanted

The City of Hanover invites residents to apply for positions available on the following boards: the Park Board and the Economic Development Authority (EDA). Each board meets monthly at City Hall and members are paid a stipend.

The Park Board currently is in need of two members. The Park Board meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. The board is made up of five members and a liaison from Council. The term of service is three years. The Park Board is an advisory board to the Council. Its main goal is to study and supervise the needs and uses of the parks.

The EDA is comprised of seven members, which includes two sitting Councilors. The other five members are appointed by the Mayor and Council. Currently, there is one vacancy. The EDA strives to achieve economic development and growth within the City of Hanover.

Ideally, current residents are desired for the positions, but both boards allow non-residents to sit on the board. Interested people should obtain an application either by visiting the City website or stopping in at City Hall. The application form can be found under the Application menu to the left of the main page on www.hanovermn.org.

Applications will be accepted until all positions have been filled.



CRHW3 Moving Along

The Crow River Heights West 3rd Addition development is underway with the three designated builders currently constructing model homes for the Spring Parade of Homes.

The builders include Raymond Drake Homes, Homes Plus, and JMS Custom Homes. The builders are from Maple Grove, St. Michael and Minnetonka respectively.



Raymond Drake Homes



Homes Plus



JMS Custom Homes

Protect Stormwater During the Winter Months

Even during the winter months residents need to be protective of stormwater runoff. There are four easy steps residents can take during the winter.

Scoop the Poop

It may be cold and snowy, but dog poop still needs to be picked up! It does not decompose like wild animal poop and can spread disease. It is also more visible during the winter months, so be sure to carry extra bags during walks.

Check for auto leaks

Fluids from leaking autos can still find its way to area waterways during the winter.

Perform scheduled maintenance to prevent leaking fluids from entering the stormwater drains.



Use Salt-Alternatives Wisely

Shoveling the sidewalks or clearing driveways with a snow blower is the best way to keep chemicals from entering the stormwater drains during the winter. By shoveling snow onto the lawn, it is filtered before heading down the drain. When ice builds up, use salt-alternatives minimally. Coarse

sand, kitty litter and sawdust are also eco-friendly ways to prevent slipping on the ice.



Adopt a Drain

Check the stormwater drain to ensure it is clear of snow and debris. This will help if a thaw occurs during the winter months and will allow the melting snow to drain properly.



HHF Volunteers Needed!

The Hanover Harvest Festival members will start meeting on Monday, February 19, 2018, at 6:30 pm at City Hall to begin planning for the Festival. The group meets every third Monday of the month until the Festival.

Volunteers are needed to help plan the Hanover Harvest Festival as well as work during the weekend: Set up, Festival activities, and clean up.

Interested residents and non-residents may attend any of the meetings or contact Jackie Heinz with questions at 612-221-5937.



Neighborhood Ice Rinks

Public Works staff have created two neighborhood ice rinks this season, one at Mallard Park and another one at Cardinal Circle Park. Both rinks will be maintained throughout the winter depending on the weather.

Residents are invited to use the rinks throughout the winter just like Kayla and Payton Heinz!



EDA News

The Hanover Economic Development Authority (EDA) purchased the home at 11234 River Road, formerly Dorothy Walesch's, in August of 2017.

Initially the property was purchased with the intent to lease it to a business, but after a walk-through of the house, it was determined that it would not suit this purpose. Rather, the EDA directed City Administrator Brian Hagen to look into the possibility of it being a residential rental property.

Another alternative discussed by the EDA was using the property as a parking lot since there is a lack of parking in the downtown area.

In October, it was decided to demolish the house and garage, and level off the property. Public Works staff completed the work in mid-December filling in the cellar area as well as an old cistern found under the kitchen area. The property will remain empty over the winter in order to allow the fill to settle. The parking lot has not been completed and No Trespassing signs will be posted in order to prevent damage to vehicles and/or people.

The property at 11234 River Road earlier in 2017.



The property after the house and garage were demolished.



Hanover Youth Ball provides quality baseball and softball programs – for boys and girls ages 5 to 16 years old – that are accessible and affordable to members of the community. Good sportsmanship and teamwork is promoted while teaching the youth physical skills and life lessons. Good health, fitness, leadership and positive self-esteem is fostered while connecting families and building community.

The season typically runs from mid-April to mid-July, with pre-season clinics and practices. Try outs, if necessary, take place in February and March.

Registration is online and takes place in February. Visit www.hanoveryouthball.org for registration details and deadlines. League information and contacts are also found on the website. Be sure to “like” Hanover Youth Ball on Facebook for updates!

Summary of Leagues:

- T-Ball: Boys and girls, ages 5-6, on Wednesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover.
- Boys Coach-Pitch Baseball: Age 7, on Wednesday nights at Settlers Park, Hanover.
- Boys Machine Pitch Baseball: Ages 8-9, on Monday and Tuesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover or in Corcoran.
- Girls 8U Coach-Pitch Softball: Ages 7-8, on Wednesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover.
- Girls 10U-14U Rec and Traveling Fast Pitch Softball: Ages 9-14 (multiple levels). Games are typically Monday and/or Wednesday nights, plus a weekly practice, locations to be determined. **Player evaluation may be required for traveling leagues depending on those interested.**
- Boys 10U-16U Traveling Baseball: Ages 10-16. Games and practices range from Monday to Thursday nights, locations to be determined. **Player evaluation may be required for traveling leagues depending on those interested.**

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January 2018

Hanover Happenings

Crow River Lions Club Meets at City Hall the first and third Wednesday at 7 pm. Contact Al Kvistero at 612-708-6753 or www.crowriverlions.org.

Hanover AA Meets at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Mondays at 6:30 pm and Tuesdays at 7 pm.

Hanover Athletic Association Meets at City Hall every second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. For more information: www.hanoverathleticassociation.org.

Hanover Boy Scouts Troop #563 Contact Michael Snyder at Masnyder92@yahoo.com.

Hanover Cub Scouts Troop #563 Contact Carl Roehl at carlroehl@hotmail.com.

Hanover Fire Department Meets at the Fire Hall every second Tuesday at 8 pm. Contact Chief Dave Malewicki at 763-286-6501.

Hanover Golden Age Club Meets at City Hall every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Contact Al Berge at 763-425-2883.

Hanover Harvest Festival Meets at City Hall every third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm. Contact Jackie Heinz at 612-221-5937.

Hanover Historical Society Meets at the former United Methodist Church every first Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Contact Mary Coons at 763-404-2327 or Joe Kaul at 763-463-8610 or hanoverhistoricalsociety.org.

Hanover Lions Club Meets monthly at City Hall the second and third Thursday at 7 pm. Contact Kathy McMillan at 763-498-8277.

Hanover Youth Ball T-ball, Coach Pitch, Girls Softball, and Boys Baseball. Meets at City Hall. Check website for dates and times. Visit hanoveryouthball.org or contact Missy Thompson at 763-497-2278 or via missy@hanoveryouthball.org.

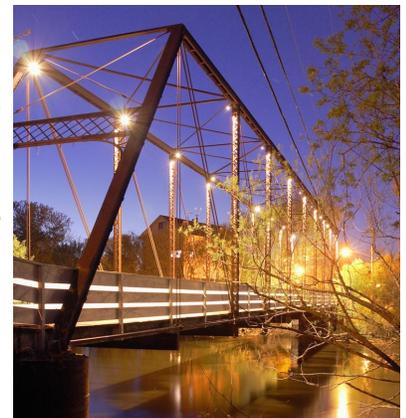
Meals on Wheels Contact Crow River Senior Center at 763-497-8900 or crowriverseniorcenter.com.

STMA Women of Today Meets every second Tuesday at 6:30 pm at Financial Security Bank in Albertville. For more information call 1-800-340-9817 or www.stmawt.org.

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Monday, Wednesday &
Thursday: 8 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday: 8 am-5:30 pm
Friday: 8 am-3:30 pm

Recycling Calendar and Bingo: Let's Recycle!

The 2018 Recycling Calendar for the City of Hanover is located inside the newsletter along with information about a new program, Blue Bag Organics, being offered by Randy's Environmental Services.

Blue Bag Organics makes it easy for residents to recycle food waste into compost. Residents that sign up for the program receive compostable can liners for tall kitchen waste bins. The liner is made from BPI certified renewable ingredients that are durable and resist most tears and punctures. The liners withstand sunlight, rain and snow. Once composted at an industrial composting center, the liners and the contents disintegrate in a few months, turning into rich compost. There is a fee charged with this service.

To become a Blue Bag Organic household, contact Randy's at 763-972-3335.

More information about items accepted in the Blue Bag Organics program is printed on the back of the Recycling Calendar insert.

Recycling Bingo

Need a way to get all the family members on board with recycling? Try Recycling Bingo! Recycling Bingo cards can be downloaded from the City's website in the Recycling Calendar section of the Residents tab. Print off the cards which have a variety of recyclable items pictured. Hand out a card to each family member, or post them where everyone can see them. Each time an item is recycled that's on the card, mark it off. Will the game be one Bingo or a cover-all? Decide what the winner will receive: an actual prize or maybe a week off of chores? Get the entire family involved and show that recycling can be fun! And beneficial to the environment!