



City of Hanover 2019 Budget

The purpose of this article is to provide 2019 budget information concerning the City of Hanover to interested citizens. The budget is published in accordance with Minn. Stat. 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 4, 2018.

Revenues	2018	2019	Expenditures	2018	2019
Property Taxes (excludes MV Credits)	\$1,011,353	\$1,121,237	General Government (board, administration, etc.)	\$530,422	\$522,562
Franchise Fees	15,000	15,000	Public Safety	486,281	493,820
Licenses & Permits	153,220	112,920	Streets/Highways (excludes construction)	450,997	481,372
State General Purpose Aid (MV Credits, etc.)	162,490	163,092	Culture and Recreation	55,900	56,900
State Categorical Aid (state aid for streets, etc.)	0	0	Misc. Current Expenditures	5,000	0
Charges for Service	164,136	134,905	Total Current Expenditures	1,528,599	1,554,654
Fines and Forfeits	2,000	3,000	Debt Service-Principal	340,000	347,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	20,400	4,500	Interest & Fiscal Charges	70,301	62,814
Total Revenues	\$1,528,599	\$1,554,654	Total Expenditures & Other Financing Uses	\$1,938,900	\$1,964,468

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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.

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.

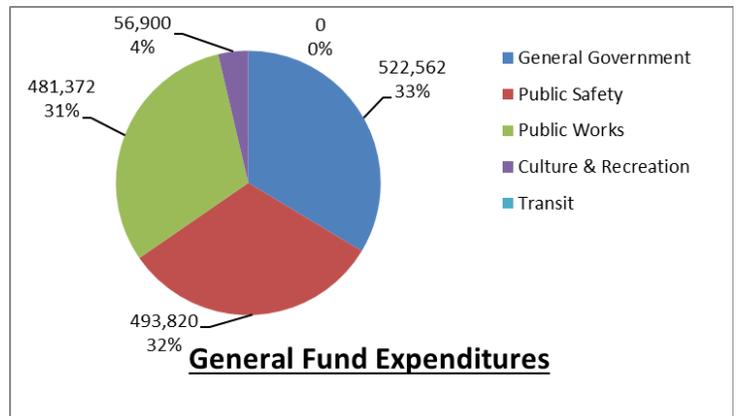
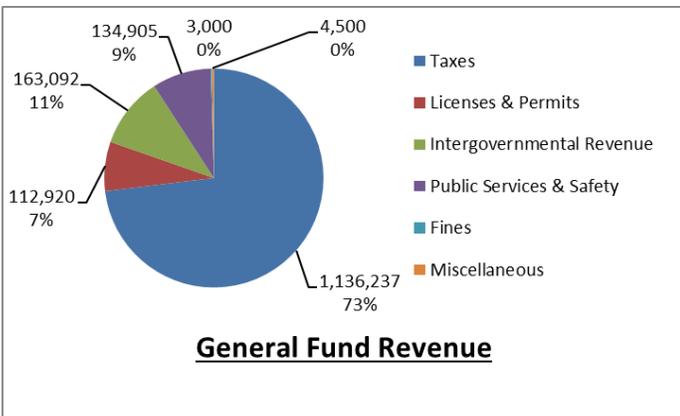
By the end of September, cities must adopt their proposed budget for the following year and certify their proposed levy to the county auditor.

Between November 25th and December 20th, the city must hold its Truth in Taxation Public Hearing. The City of Hanover held its hearing on December 4th. 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 2019, Hanover estimates a local tax rate reduction of approximately 2%.

The City expects 2019 to present a steady year. The City has seen a number of productive years in recent years, but 2019 will be a year of review of services, a minor road maintenance project that will encompass chip sealing a number of roads, and largely planning for 2020 road improvement project.

The final levy was certified to the county auditor on December 27th. If residents have questions regarding the 2019 Budget and Levy, please contact Brian Hagen, City Administrator, at 763-497-3777 extension 1 or at brianh@ci.hanover.mn.us.



Hanover Cove Development Update

The Hanover Cove Development has moved to the next phase of the process: Applying for rezoning, a Planned Unit Development (PUD), and a preliminary plat.

Alan Roessler, Paxmar, presented at the December 17th Planning Commission Meeting and asked that Planning Commission move the development forward for Council approval.

A required Public Hearing allowed residents to voice thoughts and concerns as well as ask questions. The majority of the discussions were about the proposed high density, the increased traffic, and narrow streets. Several Hanover businesses had submitted letters or

emails in support of the development.

Justin Messner, City Engineer, reviewed his engineering comments with the main statement being the width of the proposed streets not meeting the City standard of 36 feet. The other items listed in the memo were engineering items which the development's engineer, Jason Ver Steeg, had already started completing.

Cindy Nash, City Planner, also reviewed her comments. Builders and specific house plans were not available so it was difficult to determine whether or not homes could be built on the proposed lots.

The Planning Commission Board members asked questions and gave direction related to garage size, less density, wider lots, street width, details for the architectural requirements and the possibility of a 55 plus age-restricted section.

The Planning Commission then moved to table the rezoning, PUD, and preliminary plat until further information and revised plans could be presented to the Commission. The items would not move forward to Council.

The revisions are tentatively scheduled to be brought back to Planning Commission at the Monday, January 28, 2019, meeting that starts at 7 pm at City Hall.

Hanover Athletic Association Warming House Hours

The Hanover Athletic Association Ice Rink is open any time that ice is maintained. The rink is lighted during night time hours. The Warming House is open Monday through Friday from 4:30 - 9:30 pm, and from 10 am to 9:30 pm on Saturday and Sunday.



January 2019

Hanover Harvest Festival Starts Meeting in February

The Hanover Harvest Festival will begin meeting monthly at City Hall starting Monday, February 18, 2019. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm. The group will meet every third Monday of the month through September. For more information contact Jackie Heinz at jackieheinz@msn.com.



Volunteers are needed for the Lead Coordinator for the 5K Race, set-up, take-down, the Information Booth, and several events. See you at the meeting!

Firearms Safety Training

The Crow River Lions will be holding a Firearms Safety Training at Hanover City Hall starting Sunday, March 24, 2019. Each Sunday through April 14th students will have classroom training at City Hall and then have a field day after Easter.



For more information, contact Brent Feickert at brentster33@aol.com.

Less Road Salt is Smarter

It only takes one teaspoon of road salt to permanently contaminate five gallons of water. Using less road salt helps protect the waterways in the area.

Residents can remove snow and ice manually and then use less salt on the sidewalk and driveway. Don't wait to remove snow and ice--remove it early and salt may not even be needed.

Most salt stops working at 15 degrees and below. Use sand instead for traction. The sand will not melt the ice.

Drive for the conditions and give plow drivers plenty of room. Slow down and be patient in order to give salt a chance to work on the roads. Salt takes time to work and does not immediately melt the ice.

Salt pollutes

When snow and ice melts, the salt goes with it, washing into our lakes, streams, wetlands, and groundwater. Once in the water, there is no way to remove the chloride. Less is more when it comes to applying salt because at high concentrations, chloride can harm the fish and plant life in our waters.



More salt does not mean more melting. One pound of salt equals a heaping 12 ounce coffee mug--that's a tall espresso drink at your favorite coffee shop! This will cover 250 square feet or almost two parking spaces.

If there is salt or sand visible on dry pavement and is no longer working, sweep up the extra. Use it somewhere else.

Snow: Removal, Hydrants and Plowing

It's time for snow reminders as the winter starts and residents move from mowing lawns to shoveling snow.

Per City Ordinance, residents that have a sidewalk abutting their property are required to remove snow or ice from the sidewalks within 12 hours of a snow or ice event.

When removing any snow, it is illegal to plow, push or blow snow from a private residence onto the street or across the street. This is according to Minnesota State Statute §160.2715.

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

While big piles of snow are fun to play in, parents need to remind their children that it is not safe to play in them near the street or mailboxes. It is difficult for mail carriers and snow plow drivers to see kids playing in areas not cleared of snow.

There is no parking on the street between 2 am and 6 am

until April 1st. Residents are asked not to park on the street during any snow or ice event. If cars are parked on the street, it is more difficult to plow and owners risk a ticket and/or being towed.

Be a hydrant hero and after each snowfall clear the area around any nearby hydrant. A cleared hydrant may mean the difference in saving lives and property.



Board Member Service Recognized

Hanover Board members were recognized for their long time service at the Council Meeting on November 14, 2018. Each of the board members were presented with an award to show the City's appreciation of their service throughout the years.

Randy Newcomb served as a member of the Economic Development Authority for 17 years.

Tom Gleason was a Park Board member for 15 years and was instrumental in the success of the Easter Egg Hunt and the Zoomobile.



Mayor Chris Kauffman, Randy Newcomb, Doug Hammerseng, Tom Gleason, Ken Warpula, and MaryAnn Hallstein.

Welcome to Hanover: An Eagle Scout Project

Residents have four new signs that welcome people to Hanover. The signs are the Eagle Scout project of Jon Miller. The signs are located at Kadler Avenue and Beebe Lake Road, CSAH 19 and 15th Street, 109th Avenue along the trail, and CSAH 20 near the Crow River.

Jon learned the ins and outs of municipal government with presenting to both Council and Park Board along with participating in each step of the process. He worked with City Administrator Brian Hagen in obtaining easements from Wright County and Three Rivers Park District. Public Works staff helped with installation.

The sign has a stainless steel face placed on composite lumber. A solar light provides illumination during night time hours. Jon had access to a laser cutting machine in order to create the sign and used the logo provided by the City.

He will be submitting his Eagle Scout project in 2019.

Eagle Scout is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Boy Scouts. Only four percent of Boy Scouts are granted this rank. An Eagle Scout must earn at least 21 merit badges, demonstrate Scout Spirit and complete a service project.

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Photo by Lori Ende

Winter Reminders for Dog Owners

Residents are reminded that even though it is winter being a responsible dog owner never stops.

- When walking the dog, please make sure that the dog is on a leash. The only time a dog can be off-leash is on the dog owner's property.
- Please carry the necessary equipment to pick up after the dog. Dog poop does not decompose, can contaminate stormwater runoff, and can transmit disease.
- Nuisance or habitual barking is defined as barking or crying for repeated intervals of at least five minutes with less than one minute of interruption. The barking must be audible off of the owner's property. Barking at a car, for example, does not fall into this category.



Hanover Youth Ball Season Starts in April

Hanover Youth Ball provides quality baseball and softball programs--for boys and girls ages five to 16 years old--that are accessible and affordable to members of the community. Hanover Youth Ball promotes good sportsmanship and teamwork in young people and teaches physical skills and important life lessons. It also fosters good health, fitness, leadership and positive self-esteem while connecting families and building community.

The season typically runs from mid-to-late April until mid-July. Pre-season clinics and practices will take place in February and March. If tryouts are necessary, these will occur during this time period.

Registration is online and takes place in February. Visit www.hanoveryouthball.org for registration details and deadlines. Like the Hanover Youth Ball Facebook page for updates!

Summary of Leagues:

- T-Ball: For boys and girls, ages 5-6. Wednesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover.
- Boys Coach-Pitch Baseball: Boys, age 7. Wednesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover.
- Boys Machine Pitch Baseball: Boys, age 8-9. Monday and Tuesday nights, Hanover or Corcoran.
- Girls 8U Coach-Pitch Softball: Girls, ages 7-8. Wednesday nights at Settler's Park, Hanover.
- Girls 10-14U Rec & Traveling Fastpitch Softball: Girls, ages 9-14 (multiple levels). Games are typically Monday and/or Wednesday nights, plus a weekly practice. Locations will be determined at a later date. **Player evaluations may be required for traveling leagues, depending on the number interested.**
- Boys 10-14U Traveling Baseball: Boys, ages 10-16. Games and practices range from Monday to Thursday nights with locations to be determined. **Player evaluations may be required for traveling leagues, depending on the number interested.**

For more information on leagues as well as league contacts, visit www.hanoveryouthball.org. Watch the website for information on registration, clinics and upcoming events!



Area Organizations and Information

More information may be found at www.hanovermn.org under Links.

Alcoholics Anonymous®

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



Meets at the Hanover Area History Center every second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. For more information: hanoverathleticassociation.org.



Hanover Boy Scouts Troop 563: Contact Mike Snyder at masnyder92@yahoo.com.



Hanover Cub Scouts Pack 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.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Hanover Golden Age Club meets at City Hall every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 pm. Contact Donna Grabbert at 763-267-7986.



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



Hanover Historical Society meets at the Hanover Area History Center every first Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Contact Mary Coons at 763-234-5388 or Joe Kaul at 763-463-8610. Visit the website at hanoverhistoricalsociety.org.



The Crow River Lions meet at City Hall the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. Contact Al Kvistero at 612-708-6753 or visit crowriverlions.org.



The Hanover Lions meet at City Hall every second and third Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Contact Kathy McMillan at 763-498-8277.



CROW RIVER SENIOR CENTER

Serving the Communities & Surrounding Areas of Albertville, Hanover and St. Michael

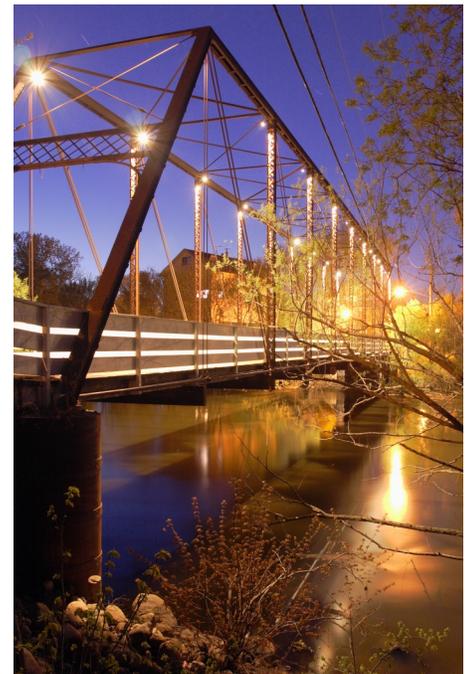
To have Meals on Wheels delivered, contact the Crow River Senior Center at 763-497-8900 or visit crowriverseniorcenter.com.



Play T-ball, Coach Pitch, Girls Softball, and Boys Baseball at Settlers Park and Cardinal Park. Volunteers and coaches meet at City Hall. Visit hanoveryouthball.org for meeting dates and times. Contact Missy Thompson at 763-497-2278 or at missy@hanoveryouthball.org.



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 visit stmawt.org.





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Thursday: 8 am-4:30 pm
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Friday: 8 am-3:30 pm

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