Calgary

What your City is doing for you during the downturn

Budget adjustments include $228M in total benefits for citizens, businesses and property owners. The City has kept taxes and fees as low as possible while responding to the priorities and needs of Calgarians.

$73M
TAX RELIEF

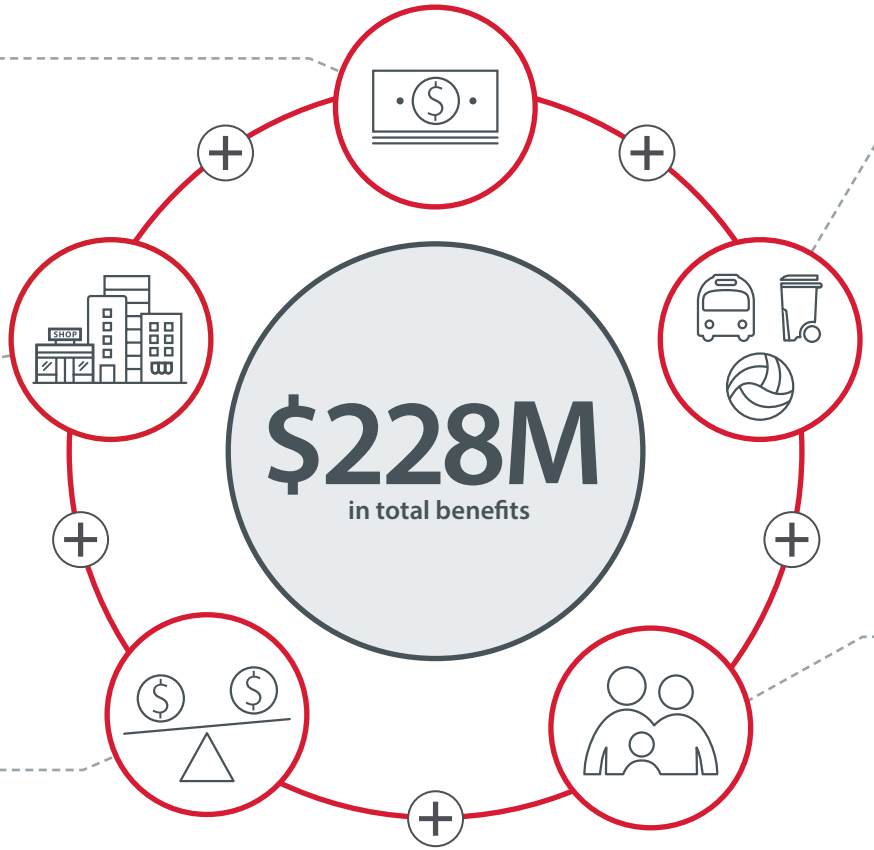
Council reduced the 2017 property tax rate increase to 1.5% which will be covered through a one-time rebate to property owners.

$45M
NON-RESIDENTIAL PHASED TAX PROGRAM

Market changes caused a drop in value for some non-residential properties and a redistribution of taxes. This program will limit the 2017 tax increase to 5% for some non-residential properties (not including the effect of business tax consolidation or the provincial portion of the tax rate that is announced in the spring.)

$35M
OFFSETTING REVENUE SHORTFALL

The City is offsetting a drop in revenue from fees through its reserves and changes in service so this doesn't affect the tax rate.



$66M
FEE RELIEF

Council adjusted some 2017 fees and rates to provide relief. User fees are not going up as much as in the original 2015-2018 budget.

- Transit fares
- Recreation, parks and pet service fees
- Planning and development permits
- Green cart – no fees for 2017
- Landfill fees
- Fire code inspections and permits
- Utility rates

$9M
COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Targeted initiatives will benefit Calgarians who have been most affected by the economic downturn.

- Community and social programs
- Affordable housing
- Community events

Council reduced the budget through corporate funding sources, operating efficiencies and service reductions.

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