
Mayoral Decision

Under Bill 3, the *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*, which amended the *Municipal Act, 2001*,

I, Alex Nuttall, Mayor of the City of Barrie will be including the following matters as part of the Mayor's 2026 Business Plan & Budget for Council's consideration:

- That the current direction of a 0% tax increase for the 2026 City operating Budget remain;
- That 1% of funding currently allocated to the Infrastructure Investment Fund, be reallocated to a new reserve specifically to fund future capital expenditures for intergovernmental projects starting in 2027 for a period of 10 years and identified as a separate levy on the property tax bill;
- That the Theatre Reserve be renamed the Performing Arts Centre Reserve;
- That all funds received through the sale of Dean Avenue be allocated to the Performing Arts Centre Reserve;
- That the Alectra dividends currently allocated to the Theatre Reserve, be reallocated to the annual operating Budget;
- That the annual Recreation and Culture Department Operating Budget include funding in the amount of \$30,000 for the Barrie Sports Hall of Fame;
- That the Allandale Recreation Centre Refurbishment project (Z281) be reduced in the amount of \$45M from the 2026 Business Plan & Budget;
- That the Spirit Catcher Park Development Project (000316) be removed from the 2026 Business Plan & Budget and that staff be directed to introduce a new Park Development Project around the Performing Arts Centre project in the 2026 Business Plan & Budget;
- That the budget associated with the Barrie Public Library location at the new multi-use facility be reduced by \$5M; and
- That as per Council directions, a total cost avoidance of \$172.5 million has been achieved through efficiencies related to the Performing Arts Centre and amalgamating the two south end multi-use facilities into one.

Dated at Barrie on the 24th day of June, 2025.

"ORIGINAL SIGNED"

Mayor Alex Nuttall