# **Our Budget Preparation Process**

The Town of River Bend employs a progressive and transparent budget development process that allows for significant participation from elected officials, advisory boards, staff, and the public. This tentative schedule of budget workshops outlines the dates of these sessions and the proposed topics to be discussed during each session.

While the Town Council and staff do their best to adhere to the printed schedule, there are times when deviation is necessary in order to accommodate adequate discussion of items scheduled for consideration. So, if time or information does not allow for complete discussion of a scheduled item, that item may be taken up at the beginning of the next session.

# An Award-Winning Budget Document



Our Fiscal Year beginning 2020 Budget document has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association. It was

our 11th consecutive award. To learn more about this award program, or to review the document, visit the Finance page on our website.

The Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget Public Hearing is <u>Tentatively</u> set for Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room

# Mayor and Town Council

# Priorities for Fiscal Year 2022-23

# "It's all about resources"

Continue to provide a safe, dynamic, and attractive community for people of all ages, and continue to address the changing demographic composition of the Town.

Continue to provide safe drinking water and quality treatment of wastewater through maintenance of the current systems and continued prudent fiscal management of the utilities.

Continue to operate wastewater treatment facilities to maintain regulatory compliance and serve the current and future needs of the Town.

Continue to work with advisory boards as a means to encourage citizen participation in Town government.

Continue to be good stewards of the natural environment through planned stormwater and floodplain management efforts.

Continue to cooperate regionally and with other municipalities and, where appropriate, share ideas and resources.

Maintain a commitment to the Council—Manager form of government, and to support an adequate and well-trained staff to serve the current and future needs of the community.

Continue to employ sound fiscal management practices to ensure the long-term financial viability of the Town.

Maintain a visionary posture, acknowledging that change is inevitable.

Continue to conduct the business of the Town with complete transparency and integrity.

# Town of River Bend



# Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget Preparation Workshops

All Budget Workshops will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Dates & times are tentative and may change if necessary.

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On the Internet at: www.riverbendnc.org

#### APRIL 26, 2022

#### **EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

- Pay Plan Review

- Retirement / 401K / LESA
- Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

# LABOR ALLOCATIONS AMONG DEPARTMENTS & FUNDS

- Staffing Projections
- Allocation Table

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

- General Fund
- Vehicle Replacement Plan
- Information Technology Replacement Plan

#### ELECTRIC UTILITIES AND FUEL PRICES

#### GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTS

#### **GOVERNING BODY** - Association Dues, Training, Contributions

# ADMINISTRATION

-Property and Liability Insurance, Training, Association Dues

#### FINANCE - Information Technology

TAX LISTING -County Provided Services, Collection Projections, Fees

LEGAL SERVICES -Attorney

## ELECTIONS

**STREET MAINTENANCE** - Roadway Improvement Plan

## STORM WATER MAINTENANCE

- Prioritized Drainage Concerns
- Scheduled Maintenance

# PUBLIC WORKS

-Capital Outlay -NCORR (temporary grant funded department) continued PUBLIC BUILDINGS - Mowing and Landscaping Contract

- Building Maintenance

# <u>MAY 3, 2022</u>

## GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTS CONTINUED

POLICE Community Watch, Fuel, LESA, Capital Outlay

**RECREATION AND SPECIAL EVENTS** - July 4<sup>th</sup> Plans, Recreation Programs

#### PARKS AND CAC

- Parks, Community Appearance Commission Projects, Community Organic Garden

#### EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Contingency Funding
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

#### ANIMAL CONTROL

# WETLANDS & WATERWAYS

Pond and Canal MaintenanceEnvironment and Waterways Advisory Board

LEAF & LIMB AND SOLID WASTE -Contract Costs

PLANNING AND ZONING

**GENERAL FUND—REVENUE/ EXPENSE** 

**GENERAL FUND—FUND BALANCE** 

# <u>MAY 10, 2022</u>

#### ENTERPRISE FUND DEPARTMENTS

#### WATER AND SEWER FUND CASH LEVELS

- Debt Service
- Capital Reserve Funds
- Capital Improvement Plan/ Water and Sewer

continued

## WATER FUND DEPARTMENTS

- Administration
- Water Supply & Treatment
- Water Distribution

# SEWER FUND DEPARTMENTS

- Administration
- Sewer Collection
- Sewer Treatment

#### UTILITY FINANCIAL MODEL

- Rate History
- Consumption Trends
- Revenue & Expense—Cash Balances
- Rate Scenarios

#### WATER AND SEWER- REVENUE/EXPENSE

# <u>MAY 12, 2022</u>

#### FIVE-YEAR FORECAST- GENERAL FUND

## TAX RATES, UTILITY RATES AND OTHER FEES

- Ad Valorem Tax Rate
- Utility Rates and Fees
- Schedule of Rates and Fees

## <u>MAY 17, 2022</u>

#### MEET IF NECESSARY

## MAY 19, 2022

#### OVERVIEW

# DRAFT-BUDGET MESSAGE, ORDINANCE and SCHEDULE OF FEES

