

## News Release

### Budget 2020 Get involved, have your say!

October 4, 2019 — The City of Castlegar wants to hear from residents as it develops the 2020 budget.

The City's 2019 budget funded core assets, infrastructure and operations, enabling the City to turn its attention to growth as it begins the budgeting process for 2020. The City will continue building the foundation for a prosperous and growing city by putting short and long-term strategies into action to ensure the community is financially poised to take advantage of future opportunities.

"We want to hear what people think is working well, what could be improved, and where community members place value and priority," says Mayor Bruno Tassone. "Hearing feedback gives Council and staff the opportunity to incorporate ideas from residents into the City's decision making and budgeting process."

We recognize people are busy so we're providing an online tool so residents can provide feedback any time, from anywhere. Log onto [Castlegarconnects.ca](http://Castlegarconnects.ca) before October 31 to take our quick Budget 2020 survey and be entered to win 1 of 10 \$25 VISA gift cards.

Residents can also join us at 5 p.m. in-person for discussion and updates at the following:

<b>October 16</b>	Council budget meeting
<b>November 7</b>	Council budget meeting
<b>November 21</b>	Council budget meeting
<b>November 26</b>	Budget public open house
<b>November 28</b>	Budget meeting, if necessary
<b>December 2</b>	Budget approval

The Draft 2020 Budget will be posted on the City of Castlegar [website](#) and [Castlegarconnects.ca](http://Castlegarconnects.ca) on Friday, November 15.

The City of Castlegar is a service centre in the West Kootenay. The diversified and growing economy is focused on the forestry, energy and mining sectors in the Valley, and commercial services in the City. Quality of life features backcountry adventure and an increasingly dynamic urban culture, including the Millennium Park & Ponds and Sculpture Walk.

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