

# Draft Operating Budget Staff Recommended Reductions

	Amount
Staff Training, Travel & Conferences (Standardization across Departments)	(31,700)
Administration:	
Representative market research on Municipal matters and engagement	(13,000)
Enhanced Municipal Matters	(16,900)
Engineering & Public Works: CES Reserve Transfer	(50,000)
Waste Cleanup Ads (MJSB now does this)	(5,000)
Economic Development: Legal Costs	(12,000)
Regional Economic Development Platform Evaluation	(10,000)
Recreation & Tourism: Town of Lunenburg Grant	(20,000)
AT Programming & Promotions	(5,000)
Financial Services: Staff Ergonomics	(4,000)
LCLC Budget Adjustment	(75,000)



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	Amount
Planning & Development: Regional Bldg Service Branding	(5,000)
LCCAP Projects (Reduce Project List)	
EV Education & Promotion	(1,000)
Waste Management Awareness	(3,000)
Community Climate Capacity Grant	(500)
MODL Environmental & Resilience Champion Award	(1,900)
Let it Grow May (\$3,700) & Community Pledges (\$300)	(4,000)
Sustainability Student	(14,000)
Housing Market Data Study carry-over (Council approved Nov 26/24)	30,000
Reserve Transfer for Housing Market Data Study	(30,000)
<b>TOTAL Reductions</b>	<b>(272,000)</b>
<b><i>2025-26 Draft Budget deficit (\$238,000) + reductions = Budget Surplus</i></b>	<b><i>34,000</i></b>



# Draft Operating Budget Reserve Transfer Summary

## Transfers to Reserves from Operating Revenues – Mandatory

- Interest on specific reserves \$75K
- Expired Tax Sale Surplus Funds \$62K
- Open Space (MGA) from development revenue \$50K
- These transfers come from revenue collected
  - They are transferred to reserves per legislative requirements
  - Net effect \$0



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## Transfers to Reserves from Operating Revenues – Optional

- \$50,000 for 2028 election (expenditure smoothing)
- \$100,000 future Regional Fire Training Facility
- \$25,000 Municipal Roads Reserve
- \$60,000 Open Space Strategy (Council policy)
- \$175,000 for Municipal Sewer Reserve
- \$2.5M Depreciation & Future Capital
- \$165,000 LCLC Capital Reserve
  
- A decrease in these transfers would increase Operating Surplus



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## Transfers from Reserves to Support Operating Expenditures – Net Effect \$0

- \$50,000 for hospital donation
- Up to \$521K for Water financing program
- \$30,000 Housing Market Data Study
  - Approved by Council Nov 26/24
    - Project to be completed in 2025-26 Budget year



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## Transfers from Reserves to Support Operating Expenditures – Net Effect \$0

- \$350,000 Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) for paving partnerships with the Province to pave J-Class roads
- \$500,000 PACE Program
- \$9,200 Plotter
- \$90,000 Housing Strategy
- \$2M Community HUB fit-up (lease agreement)
- \$82,300 Canada Community Building Fund for Trail Groups

