



2025 Proposed City Budget

Each year, cities are tasked with developing an annual budget for the upcoming year (2025) where estimated costs and revenues are planned. These budgets attempt to consider costs for critical services to be provided such as snow plowing, fire services, street maintenance, street reconstruction, park maintenance, etc. Also, cities must identify the revenues that can possibly pay for these items. The property tax is the critical tool the City of Credit River must fund these items with as remaining revenue sources, such as STATE AID, BUILDING PERMIT FEES or other sources are small and/or are unstable.

GENERAL FUND EXPENSES: For 2025 the City estimates a total General Fund Expenditure Budget of \$3,092,441 for which 74% is funded by local property taxes. The City expends over \$1.7 million related to costs for fire protection, enhanced Sheriff services and road maintenance including snow plowing. In total, all General Fund expenses are expected to see an increase of 2.6% over the 2024 Budget.

PURPOSE	Amount
Public Safety	\$ 1,016,286
Public Works	\$ 783,840
Administration	\$ 686,955
Planning	\$ 463,480
Assessor	\$ 57,600
Mayor & Council	\$ 41,180
City Hall Operation	\$ 27,100
Parks & Other	\$ 15,000
Elections	\$ 1,000
TOTAL	\$ 3,092,441

GENERAL FUND REVENUES: As noted above, at this time, the City anticipates property tax revenues of \$2,313,798 to fund these costs, with the remaining balance derived from other sources – such as permit fees, interest and inter-governmental revenues.

OTHER FUNDS – DEBT AND CAPITAL: The City additionally has costs associated with current Debt Services and certain Capital Improvements. This totals \$668,000 with \$475,000 for capital costs associated with planned street improvements and other equipment as well as \$193,000 for debt service on past projects.

TOTAL LEVY: Given these estimates the City’s total planned preliminary levy is \$2,981,798 and the City must adopt a Tax Rate that is then applied to all homes and properties in the City that generates this amount. For 2025 the City property tax rate is expected to remain flat compared to 2024 moving from 17.10 % to 17.13%.

	2024	2025
Total Levy	\$ 2,730,185	\$ 2,981,798
Net Tax Capacity	\$ 15,461,146	\$ 16,791,905
City Tax Rate*	17.10%	17.13%

* From What If Projection received from Scott County

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING: The City Council will be holding a Truth in Taxation Hearing on Monday, December 16th, 2024, at 6 pm at the City of Credit River Government Center located at 18985 Meadow View Blvd. The Council will review these budgets in greater detail, will take public input and will possibly consider a final 2025 budget and levy.

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Go With The Flow!

Welcome to the first issue of the Credit River Flow! This quarterly city newsletter will bring you timely items of interest from your own backyard. Please send your ideas to the City Clerk at clerk@creditrivernm.gov. They may appear in future issues of the Flow!



Community Events



Minnesota in the Fall is a spectacle of natural beauty not to be missed! Leafy hikes and brisk kayak rides to admire the fall colors fade into frosty cross-country ski adventures and the excitement of local hockey games. Our area hosts a wealth of fun activities to be enjoyed solo or with the whole family! Art and craft fairs, farmer's markets, community festivals, school events...but how can we find them? The Credit River Flow would like to be your source for local fun going forward! For that, we're going to need your help. Email events you'd like to see featured in future issues to: clerk@creditriver-mn.gov.

October 2024:
 10/12—Savage Area Arts Festival
 10/19—Halloween Bash, Savage
 10/31—Candy Crawl, Prior Lake

November 2024:
 11/9-10—Festival to Celebrate Community, Prior Lake

December 2024:
 12/7—Holiday on Main, Lakeville

School Events:
 Prior Lake/Savage Area School District, plsas.org
 Lakeville Public School District, isd194.org

Regional Park Events:
threeriversparks.org

Farmer's Markets (Oct. Only):
 2024-Farmers-Markets (scottcountymn.gov)

Fall Yard Care Tips

- Mulch**—leaf bits are good fertilizer!
- Rake**—or leaves may mat and mold.
- Mow**—at 3" to help grass survive winter.
- Plant**—fall is the best time to seed/sod.
- Aerate**—circulate air, water & nutrients.
- Weed**—try to pull 'em & not spray 'em!
- Fertilize**—plants store up food in fall.



Reduce Your Risk

According to the Scott County Sheriff's Office, there has been a recent rash of vehicle tamperings in the area. They would like to remind everyone to take precautions to help reduce risk of future tamperings by following a few easy steps. Always lock your car if it's parked outside. Don't leave items in your car that might invite interest. And, don't leave keys or garage door openers where they could be taken and used to access your car or home.



Who Let the Dogs Out?

If you have dogs, chances are they're your best buddies! But how much do you know about the City's Dog Ordinance, also known as "Ordinance Prohibiting Dogs From Running At Large And Prohibiting Vicious Dogs?" Test your knowledge here with this (just for fun) quiz and see how your best bud can be an upstanding citizen.

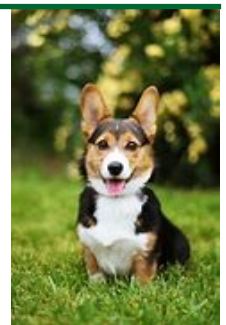
1. "Running at Large" means permitting a dog to:
 - a) join marathons to slim down
 - b) break posted speed limits
 - c) stroll, wander, rove, ramble

2. "Habitually Barking Dog" is defined as one that, for specified periods of time:
 - a) barks, whines, cries
 - b) complains about your habits
 - c) has a lingering cough
3. A "Potentially Dangerous Dog" might:
 - a) ride a bicycle
 - b) chase a bicycle
 - c) hack into your computer
4. Dogs that are dangerous, potentially dangerous, or running at large could be:
 - a) arrested

- b) impounded
- c) grounded
5. "Leash and Control" refers to:
 - a) owners leashing their dogs
 - b) dogs leashing their owners
 - c) making dogs feel guilty for leaving the yard

To learn more about the rules and regulations for canine companions, you can read the whole ordinance on our website, under creditriver-mn.gov/government/codes-policies/ordinances.

How did you score? See answers in lower right corner!



5. a)
4. b)
3. b)
2. a)
1. c)

Answer Key:



★ 2024 ELECTION GUIDE ★



At the Polling Place

You May:

- Take time off work to vote
- Vote if in line by 8:00 pm
- Ask for help if you need it
- Bring the kids with you
- Get a replacement ballot if you make a mistake
- Bring a sample ballot or a copy of the Voter's Bill of Rights along
- Feel free to file a written complaint

You May Not:

- Enter a polling place during voting hours unless you are voting or working the polls
- Campaign in or near the polling place (electioneering)
- Wear campaign materials or display campaign literature in the polling place
- Initial, sign or sticker your ballot
- Take photos (it's discouraged)

What's on the Election Day ballot in 2024?

All voters will have these races on their general election ballot:

- U.S. President
- U.S. Senator
- U.S. Representative
- State Representative
- Judicial seats
- Constitutional Amendment

Voters may also have one or more of these races on their ballot:

- City Officers
- School Board Members
- Township Officers
- Local ballot questions

How Do I Register To Vote?

Did you know:

You can pre-register to vote in the General Election until 10/15/24 OR register at the polls on Election Day!

Online:

- Your Minnesota driver's license or ID card number or the last four digits of your SSN
- An email address
- To be eligible to vote in Minnesota
- To re-register if your name or address has changed.

Paper Form: download a voter registration form from to print, complete and return to your local elections office.

In Person: register at polling places or early voting locations.

Automatically: all eligible adults are automatically registered to vote when they get a state-issued ID.

Find links and more at sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/.

Where Do I Vote?

Early Voting (beginning 9/20/24):

Scott County Public Works
600 Country Trail E
Jordan MN 55352

Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:30 pm

Saturday, October 26 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Tuesday, October 29 8:00 am-7:00 pm

Saturday, November 2 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Sunday, November 3 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Look up your polling place by address:

pollfinder.sos.mn.gov

Election Day Voting (11/5/24):

Precinct 1 (PLSA Schools):

Cleary Lake Regional Park
18106 Texas Ave
Prior Lake MN 55372

Precinct 2 (Lakeville Schools):

Credit River City Hall
18985 Meadow View Blvd
Prior Lake MN 55372

Hours are 7:00 am-8:00 pm on Election Day for both precincts.

CREDIT RIVER PRECINCT 1
Prior Lake-Savage Area School District
Vote at Cleary Lake Regional Park

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CREDIT RIVER PRECINCT 2
Lakeville Public School District
Vote at Credit River Government Center



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Office Hours

Monday: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Tuesday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
 Thursday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
 (Closed Wed., Fri.-Sun., and Holidays)

We're on the Web!
creditrivernm.gov


City Calendar—Fall 2024

October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4		6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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- City Council Meeting
- Planning Commission Meeting
- Holiday—City Hall Closed
- City Vision Advisory Committee
- City Hall Advisory Committee
- Election Day