

**2024-25 WEST HANTS REGIONAL OPERATING BUDGET UPDATE  
SEVENTH MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024**

| REVENUE                                             | 2024-25 BUDGET       | % OF THE BUDGET | FORECAST MARCH 31, 2025 | VARIANCE % (BASED ON FORECAST) | VARIANCE (BASED ON FORECAST) | ACTUALS OCTOBER 31, 2024 | BUDGET UTILIZATION % |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| TAXES                                               | \$ 24,112,112        | 72%             | \$ 23,788,648           | -1.3%                          | \$ (323,464)                 | \$ 23,778,648            | 98.6%                |
| SEWER                                               | \$ 2,239,809         | 7%              | \$ 2,181,558            | -2.6%                          | \$ (58,251)                  | \$ 1,211,405             | 54.1%                |
| BUSINESS PROPERTY / DEED TRANSFER TAX               | \$ 2,121,915         | 6%              | \$ 2,166,239            | 2.1%                           | \$ 44,324                    | \$ 1,515,999             | 71.4%                |
| GRANTS                                              | \$ 243,157           | 1%              | \$ 243,157              | 0.0%                           | \$ -                         | \$ 567                   | 0.2%                 |
| SERVICES PROVIDED TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS <sup>1</sup> | \$ 1,328,925         | 4%              | \$ 1,386,456            | 4.3%                           | \$ 57,531                    | \$ 554,274               | 41.7%                |
| SALES OF SERVICES                                   | \$ 916,847           | 3%              | \$ 918,759              | 0.2%                           | \$ 1,912                     | \$ 406,559               | 44.3%                |
| OTHER REVENUE <sup>2</sup>                          | \$ 794,889           | 2%              | \$ 1,027,560            | 29.3%                          | \$ 232,671                   | \$ 590,068               | 74.2%                |
| UNCONDITIONAL TRANSFERS                             | \$ 1,622,106         | 5%              | \$ 1,622,106            | 0.0%                           | \$ -                         | \$ 858,484               | 52.9%                |
| TRANSFERS FROM FED OR PROV GOVT.                    | \$ 74,000            | 0%              | \$ 68,287               | -7.7%                          | \$ (5,714)                   | \$ 62,191                | 84.0%                |
| TRANSFERS FROM OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS              | \$ 208,554           | 1%              | \$ 198,082              | -5.0%                          | \$ (10,472)                  | \$ 10,334                | 5.0%                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                        | <b>\$ 33,662,314</b> | <b>100%</b>     | <b>\$ 33,600,853</b>    | <b>-0.2%</b>                   | <b>\$ (61,461)</b>           | <b>\$ 28,988,529</b>     | <b>86.1%</b>         |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                                     |                      |                 |                         |                                |                              |                          |                      |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES <sup>3</sup>            | \$ 4,630,910         | 14%             | \$ 4,598,599            | -0.7%                          | \$ (32,311)                  | \$ 2,692,039             | 58.1%                |
| PROTECTIVE SERVICES <sup>4</sup>                    | \$ 10,357,545        | 31%             | \$ 9,973,491            | -3.7%                          | \$ (384,054)                 | \$ 3,004,859             | 29.0%                |
| TRANSPORTATION                                      | \$ 1,646,529         | 5%              | \$ 1,636,353            | -0.6%                          | \$ (10,176)                  | \$ 980,842               | 59.6%                |
| ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES <sup>5</sup>          | \$ 3,938,040         | 12%             | \$ 3,949,602            | 0.3%                           | \$ 11,562                    | \$ 1,711,404             | 43.5%                |
| PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES <sup>6</sup>                 | \$ 295,758           | 1%              | \$ 214,323              | -27.5%                         | \$ (81,435)                  | \$ 133,565               | 45.2%                |
| PLANNING                                            | \$ 1,689,990         | 5%              | \$ 1,741,193            | 3.0%                           | \$ 51,203                    | \$ 592,645               | 35.1%                |
| RECREATION                                          | \$ 3,602,095         | 11%             | \$ 3,656,873            | 1.5%                           | \$ 54,778                    | \$ 2,024,911             | 56.2%                |
| EDUCATION                                           | \$ 5,611,626         | 17%             | \$ 5,611,289            | 0.0%                           | \$ (337)                     | \$ 3,273,249             | 58.3%                |
| PRINCIPAL INSTALLMENTS                              | \$ 2,484,721         | 7%              | \$ 2,484,721            | 0.0%                           | \$ -                         | \$ 1,000,350             | 40.3%                |
| NET TRANSFERS                                       | -\$ 594,900          | -2%             | -\$ 619,900             | 4.2%                           | \$ (25,000)                  | \$ -                     | 0.0%                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                        | <b>\$ 33,662,314</b> | <b>100%</b>     | <b>\$ 33,246,543</b>    | <b>-1.2%</b>                   | <b>\$ (415,771)</b>          | <b>\$ 15,413,864</b>     | <b>45.8%</b>         |
| <b>SURPLUS / DEFICIT</b>                            | <b>\$ -</b>          |                 | <b>\$ 354,310</b>       | <b>1.1%</b>                    |                              | <b>\$ 13,574,665</b>     |                      |

Please note that if revenue and expenditures were incurred evenly over the year approximately 58.3% of the budget would be used. This percentage provides a guideline when reviewing the above. However, it is important to keep in mind that account variances (up or down) will occur throughout the fiscal year. For example, seasonal activities such as summer programs and facility maintenance, as well as winter snow removal, will influence the budget in a non-uniform manner throughout the year. Items such as transfers from reserves, will also impact budget to actuals throughout the year as they occur at fiscal year end.

The overall projected surplus based on the variance analysis for the general fund is \$354,310. This projection has decreased by \$19,655 since September 30, 2024.

**Keynotes:**

**Revenue Highlights**

- Operational Grants from other levels of government, are coming in higher.
- Other Revenue due to miscellaneous revenue including permits, licenses, rentals, tax certificates, and return on investment.

**Expenditure Highlights**

- Public health services is lower, due to the Public Housing deficit was lower then forecasted.
- Planning is forecasting higher due to professional services with increased development and appeals.

**LEGEND:**

- 1 - SERVICES PROVIDED TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS INCLUDES: RECYCLING/ENFORCMENT, HOST COMMUNITY FEES, ADMINISTRATION FEES, COURTHOUSE
- 2 - OTHER REVENUE INCLUDES: INTEREST & PENALTIES, RETURN ON INVESTMENTS, ADMINISTRATIVE RENTALS AND LEASES, FINES, LICENSES & PERMITS
- 3 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE INCLUDES: LEGISLATIVE, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCIAL SERVICES, FACILITIES, LIBRARIES
- 4 - PROTECTIVE SERVICES INCLUDES: RCMP, FIRE, REMO, BY-LAW, COURTHOUSE, BUILDING INSPECTION
- 5 - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES INCLUDES: SEWER, WASTE COLLECTION, WASTE DIVERSION, LANDFILL
- 6 - PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES INCLUDES: CEMENTERIES, PUBLIC HOUSING