

## Property Taxes Explained

Agenda

- How Taxes are Calculated
- Budget Summary
- Questions





## How Taxes Are Calculated

- Three factors that determine the amount of tax each home pays:

**Variable A** - **Tax Revenue** to balance the budget & fund services (determined by Council)

**Variable B** - Total **Assessed Values** of all properties (Provided by BC Assessment)

Variable C - Mill Rate generated by dividing the revenue needed by the assessed value

Tax Revenue

A

**+** 

Assessed Values
B / 1,000



Mill Rate



## How Taxes Are Calculated

- Assessed Value Changes
- Assessed value increases DO NOT bring revenue windfall to municipalities
- Council determines the amount of tax to collect not BC Assessment
- Once Council sets the tax revenue, this revenue variable is fixed
- When the assessed values rise, the mill rate is decreased to generate the same level of taxation approved by Council

Tax Revenue

A

(B/I,000)

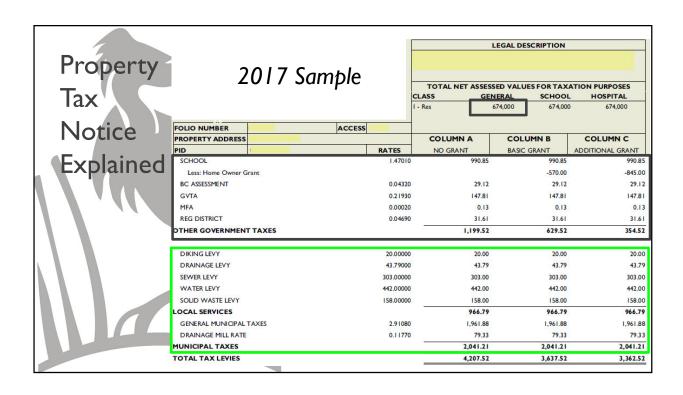


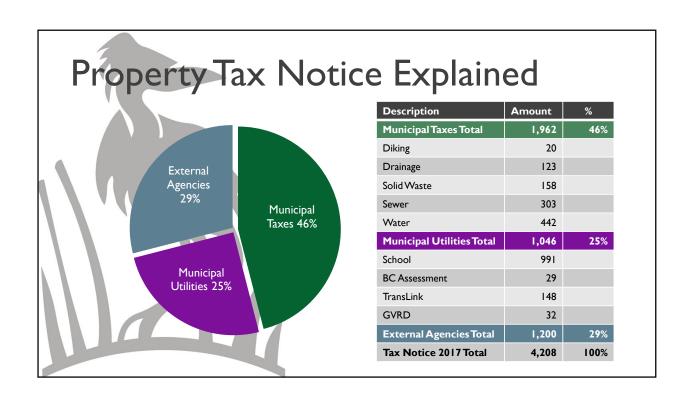
Mill Rate





The Natural Place





## 2018 Budget Summary

- 2.96% or \$89 Average Single Family Tax and Utilities increase
- Enhancements include:
  - 1% or \$192,000 for future building replacement
  - In-house Emergency Social Services Program
  - Citizen engagement and communications
  - Arts, Culture, & Heritage funding
  - Firehall replacement planning
  - Library summer Sunday openings
  - Senior Centre expanded Saturday hours
  - South Bonson Community Centre fibre connectivity
  - Project Engineer managing increase in capital projects



