

## Appendix B of Report FIN-24-25

### Budget Townhalls and Feedback Opportunities (Draft Dates)

- The City will continue to utilize its existing online engagement tools, including survey opportunities available through [GetInvolvedBurlington.ca](http://GetInvolvedBurlington.ca).
- The budget will be prominently featured at the City’s annual *Food for Feedback* event in September, and a Telephone Town Hall is scheduled to take place in November.
- Budget Town Halls will be held in each of the City’s six wards, providing residents with an opportunity to engage directly with their elected representatives.
- The Open Book platform will be used to present the budget in a transparent, interactive, and user-friendly format, enabling the public to explore budget data in greater detail.
- To support public engagement, a draft budget summary will be made available on the City’s website, with printed copies provided in advance of the Budget Ward Meetings, which are scheduled to begin on September 18, 2025.

Location	Ward	Time	Date
Food for Feedback (Central Park)			September 13, 2025
Haber Community Centre (Community Room 1)	6	7:00-8:30 pm	September 18, 2025
LaSalle Pavilion (Main Ballroom)	1	7:00-8:30 pm	September 22, 2025
Burlington Senior Centre (Community Room 3)	2	7:00-8:30 pm	September 23, 2025
Brant Hills Community Centre (Community Room 1)	3	7:00-8:30 pm	September 24, 2025
Tansley Woods Community Centre (Community Room 1)	4	7:00-8:30 pm	September 29, 2025
Appleby Ice Centre (Community Room 1)	5	7:00-8:30 pm	October 2, 2025
Telephone Townhall		7:00-8:30 pm	November 5, 2025

## Council Budget Review Process

Similar to last year, Members of Council who wish to bring forward amendments to the proposed budget are requested to complete a Budget Review Form, which will be distributed electronically to all Council members.

Staff kindly ask that these forms be used to identify any proposed changes to the capital and operating budgets.

A consolidated summary of all submitted Budget Review Forms will be used to structure the agenda for the Budget Committee meetings, commencing on November 24th.

A summary of the Council budget review process is outlined below:

### Draft Review Dates

Item	Meeting	Date
2026 Financial Forecast	Committee of the Whole	July 7, 2025
Release of Proposed Budget (agenda available October 24)	Committee of the Whole	November 3, 2025
Divisional Budget Presentations by XLT	Budget Committee	November 13, 2025
Committee review of Proposed Budget, amendments proposed via Budget Review Form process	Budget Committee	November 24 and 25, 2025
Council review of Proposed Budget	Special Council Meeting	December 2, 2025

**Note:**

Per legislation, there is a 30-day period for Council to review and amend the Proposed Budget once it has been released. This period can be shortened via a Council vote. Following Council review of the Proposed Budget there is a 10-day period in which the Mayor can veto a budget amendment. This period can be shortened via a Mayoral Decision. If the veto power were exercised, there is a 15-day period in which a 2/3rds majority of Council can override the veto. After process of amendments, vetos and overrides has passed the budget is deemed to have been adopted.