

2023 Civic Operating Budget



Beginning 2023

- Uncertainty coming out of the Pandemic and impact on revenue
- \$5.7 million in targeted savings
- \$3.0 million+ in various structural budget challenges



Administration's Approach in 2023



Discretionary Spending and Hiring Restrictions \$5.5 million in Savings

- \$900,000 from reduced training investments
- \$3.4 million from deferred hiring
- \$1.2 million from maintenance and expenditure deferrals

2023 Temporary changes to service levels to align to budget and address inflationary pressures



2023 Favourable External Financial Factors



Fewer, Smaller Scale Snow Events

• \$5.7 million in savings

Higher Interest Rate Environment

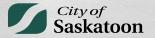
\$1.2 million in additional Investment Revenue

Temporary Closure of Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre for Renovations

\$1.0 million in net savings

Significant Increase in Transit Ridership

• \$3.5 million in higher than anticipated revenues

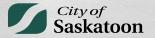


Civic Operating Results



\$9.9 million Civic Operating Surplus in 2023

- \$5.7 million to the Snow & Ice Stabilization Reserve
- Remaining \$4.2 million to the City's Fiscal Stabilization Reserve



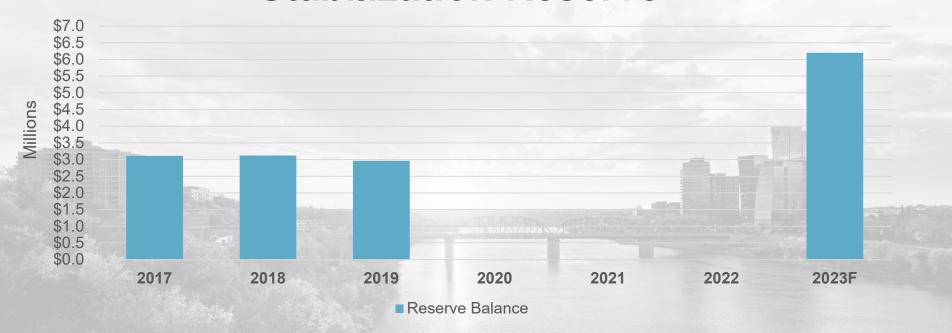
2022 Emergency Snow Event

- Over \$16 million spent in 2023 on the 2022 Event
- Dealt with through borrowing and not included in the year-end figures
- Would have been a \$6 million deficit



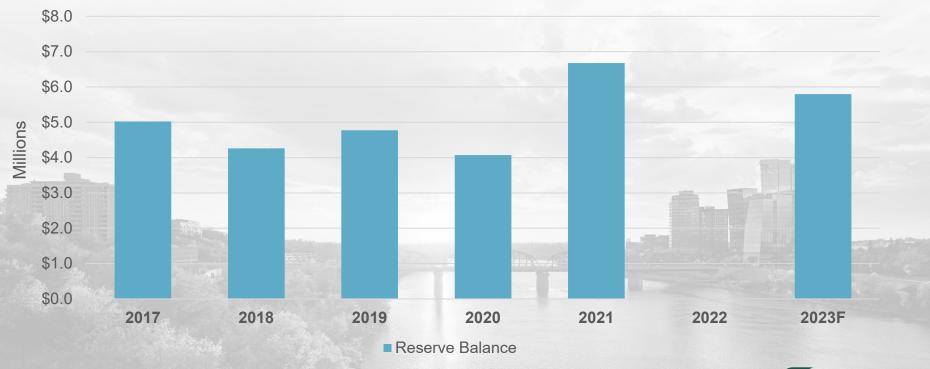


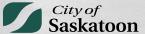
Snow & Ice Stabilization Reserve



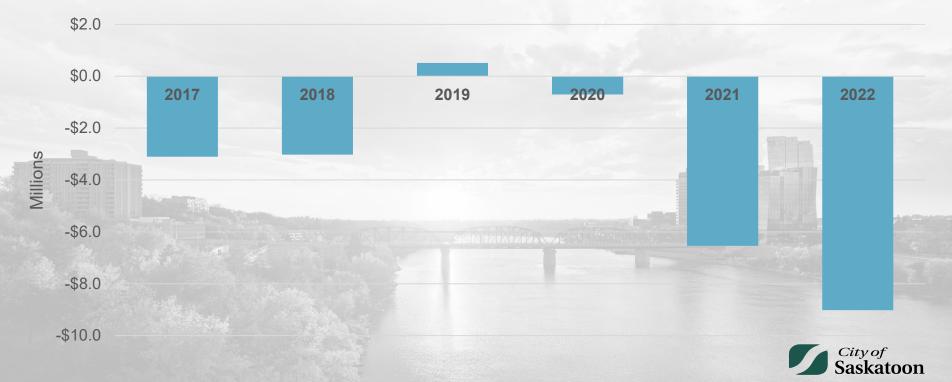


Fiscal Stabilization Reserve





Civic Operating Budget Historical Results



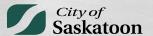
2024 Budget Discussions



The potential for a 2023 Surplus was identified in Q3 Projections and at Budget deliberations in November 2023

2023 Surplus has minimal impact on 2024 Budget discussions

- We cannot budget for a future with no Snow Events
- Reality of expiring Pandemic Relief funding still exists
- Significant Inflationary Pressures
 - Budget deliberation included transparent discussion regarding service levels and associated costs





2023 Utility Fund Operating Results

Utility Program	Surplus/(Deficit)
Saskatoon Light & Power	\$1,432,374
Storm Water Utility	(\$392,301)
Water Utility	\$4,544,161
Waste Water Utility	\$3,669,982
Waste Services Utility	\$1,707,030
Total	\$10,961,247



Saskatoon Water/Wastewater

- 75% of overall Utility Surplus
- Highly Impacted by Weather
- Past 6 Year 3 Deficits / 3 Surpluses
- 2018 2023 Combined 1.36% Surplus





Utility Surplus Recommendations



Transferred to Stabilization and Capital Reserves

√ As per Council Policy C03-003

Used to support future Water Treatment Plant Expansion

√ Reduce debt requirements

Used to reduce SL&P Asset Management Deficit

√ \$7 to \$10 million annual funding gap to maintain infrastructure

