
From: Jo Anne Cornell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 10:24 PM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>; _Members of Council <MembersofCouncil@oakville.ca>; Tom Adams <tom.adams@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Gladeside Pond Community Project - Rehabilitation

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Good evening Chair Adams:

Re
Gladeside Pond Community Project - Rehabilitation

Thank you to the Town of Oakville Budget Committee for having afforded me the opportunity to present my delegation this past Tuesday, November 11, 2025.

I wish to reiterate that a tremendous amount of effort was exerted on my part to draft this presentation and I want to believe that a thoroughly fair review of all introduced concerns will follow.

Now a day later, as I have had time to reflect on this meeting, I find myself somewhat confused on this one issue, in particular.

Here it is...

As the process calls for the 2026 town budget to be approved by Special Council, how does a public consultation imagined for late January if not later on in February, this in 2026, fit in with a fixed deadline of December 15, 2025, for budget deliberation and procedural voting?

Stating that I wish I had witnessed a more vigorous and positive representation from our two Ward 7 elected officials other than Ms. Nanda calling for a public consultation.

The idiom “kicking the can down the road” readily comes to mind.

More pointed questions and comments emanated from fellow committee members than from our two esteemed Ward 7 Representatives.

Noted.

Regards,

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Jo Anne Cornell

[REDACTED]
Ward 7 Constituent

From: Adriana Van Veggel <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, November 11, 2025 10:13 AM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Property Tax Increase

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Good morning,

I'm writing to ask that you consider lowering the projected increase to property taxes. Wages are not increasing by 3.5% and certainly my CPP and OAS are not increasing at all. At a time when people are losing their jobs and the cost of living is already unmanageable, find ways to save money. There is too much bureaucracy. You could easily cut a layer of management just like many companies have already done.

Thank you,

Adriana

From: manje gill [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 11, 2025 6:45 PM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Property tax increase

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Hi, nobody can afford to pay more more property tax. House prices went down a lot . How we can increase tax. At least freeze the tax .

Thank you.
M gill

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

From: Janice Baker [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 11:58 AM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Upcoming Budget Committee

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Please do your best to hold the budget increase to 2%.

As a single senior living in my house, it is now a hardship for me to afford paying my taxes. If I cannot remain in my current home and have to sell it, I would be able to afford rent, but would have great difficulty finding and securing new accommodation. I know it is not easy to strike a budget, but do your best to accommodate struggling single seniors like myself.

Many thanks for your serious consideration. Janice Baker

From: Catharine Johnston <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, November 6, 2025 8:20 PM To:
Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2% vs 3.5?

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Given inflation is no where near 3.5% (and falling) there is no reason that our taxes should go up this amount. This is the time to cut back on nice to haves and give all Oakville residents a break on property taxes. Let's try living within an already healthy budget and have no increase in taxes or at least one that is in line with inflation. We do not need a new library for example. Hardly critical. Let's pare the budget back to what is critical at this time when many people are already hurting.

-----Original Message-----

From: Yvonne M [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 6, 2025 10:30 PM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Taxes

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Please do not increase my taxes. I simply can't afford more than the \$8,000 + a year that I'm paying. I'm seeing a lot of money being wasted in Oakville, and simply cannot afford to subsidize it. There is no need for cosmetic improvements to Downtown Oakville, Bronte waterfront, or Kerr Village. Yes they are nice, but this moment in time, when so many families are struggling is not the time to do these things. I think it's time that Oakville pulled in its belt, and became leaner in its spending habits. I can't afford luxuries. It's time that Oakville spent money only on necessities. Like so many of us.

Yvonne Mayhew

From Yvonne's iPad

-----Original Message-----

From: Mark Vella [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 6, 2025 8:05 PM
To: Oakville Budget Team <budget@oakville.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Oakville Budget

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Hi

I understand the Town is looking for input into the 2026 budget. My recommendation is to look to bring the year over year increase to 2% by looking for efficiency, automation, leveraging AI and negotiating with Unions and contracts. The job market is tightening, cost of living is high and a 3.5% increase is above inflation and not affordable.

Sincerely

Mark Vella
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Oakville

Thanks

Mark

Sent from my Bell iPhone on Canada's best network

From: IAN CROSKELL [REDACTED]
Subject: 2026 budgets
Date: November 4, 2025 at 3:42:23 PM EST
To: budgets@oakville.ca

Go od afternoon

Ill health prevents me attending this evening meeting, so here are my thoughts:

1. Operating budgets: it seems to be impossible to find in your package a line by line details of the proposed expenses. Nor there is available a comparison of last/this years to what is proposed next year. Intelligent feedback comments are thus precluded. This is particularly troublesome as my experience of the Town's budgets from many years, they contained “slush” without no justification. There are summary expenses by category, but, again, no real details to enable me to reach a conclusion.

2. Capital budgets:

The same criticism may levied here. As an example: a considerable amount is allocated to renovating the central library. Why does this work need to be done? What is the real benefit of this expense? What are the number of patrons to the library, and is it increasing? To me, it is an unnecessary expense

Trafalgar CC - when will proceeds of the sale to the builder of town houses be received, and will that sum discharge the \$38 million expense?

Storm water maintenance- a proposed sum is to be expensed here that is almost equal to the \$13.2 million recently received from the Province for meeting its target of new homes built in the town. Where did this sum was applied? I assume it may have found a home within the Capital Reserves. If so, why is the expense included as a fresh capital expense?

Moreover, why is it proposed to levy a new tax above the annual tax levy from this years budget for storm water maintenance. This seems to amount to double taxation.

Lots of questions that should be addressed within the draft budgets.

There is a noticeable absence of any future review of All expenditure (particularly of new services or increase to services) to ensure Council is satisfied that almost of one trillion dollars expenses will/are being properly disbursed and generating the true benefits staff convinced Councillors that would accrue to residents for their tax dollars. This equally applies to the expansion to transit. Again, my previous experience indicates transit services expand without any real tangible positive results being achieved. The extent of the annual size of tremendous cash being internally managed necessitates proper review of the effective utilization of that cash. An external body should have the responsibility of this and report to Council with their findings. Are there any plans to implement such a regular review? Sincerely,

Ian Croskell