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**Hampton, VA - Gov**

at 23:57:07 on 3/03/2022 UTC

**Budget Chat with City Manager Bunting**

City Manager Mary Bunting will give an overview of the city's budget. You can type your budget questions into the comments section to get an answer.

**Budget Chat with City Manager Bunting**

**Hampton, VA - Gov** We will start momentarily. Please feel free to start posting questions

at 23:59:44 on 3/03/2022 UTC



**Nick Kennedy** City employee raises

at 0:01:26 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** Can you frame that as a question?

at 0:02:11 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Sabrina Keough** I'm with nick! I'd love a raise

at 0:02:18 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** More budget sessions

Saturday, March 5, 9 a.m., Ruppert Sargent building (1 Franklin St.) This in-person meeting will kick off with a budget overview again, and there will be specific polling opportunities where those present can use a keypad to note their priorities. Bunting will also answer questions.

Tuesday, March 8, 7 p.m., Hampton High School (1491 W. Queen St.) Will be a similar in-person meeting with a budget overview and specific polling opportunities where those present can use a keypad to note their priorities. Bunting will also answer questions.

Online Polling. After the meetings, there will be an opportunity for residents to do the polling on preferences via online survey.

at 0:02:41 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Nick Kennedy** Are city employees expected to receive a raise in this budget? If so, how much of a raise?

at 0:03:01 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Didn't you just get a \$1K bonus??

at 0:03:41 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Sabrina Keough** The assessments are growing, the economy of inflated and our bracket remains. Living off \$30,000 is so hard and raising children on it.

at 0:03:46 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Nick Kennedy** Robin Mabie when? Because I haven't seen it. And a bonus doesn't help with paychecks and retirement

at 0:05:18 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** The City does a great job - my concern is EVERYTHING is going up.

at 0:05:53 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Dave Eberhardt** Let's go Brandon.

at 0:07:14 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** Again, Not selling my car to the city!!!!

at 0:07:19 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** No one is asking you to

at 0:07:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Karen Davis** Will personal property taxes be going up 30% for our cars?

at 0:08:07 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** Yet you tax me as if I am!

at 0:08:32 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** Sorry MOST city residents.

at 0:09:19 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** She's answering that now. Council scheduled to vote Wednesday on a plan to use 75% of value this year, rather than full NADA book value

at 0:09:30 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Christine Bell** The real tax raise does not apply to all home owners in Hampton some neighborhoods are paying up to 300.00 more that's not fair across the board

at 0:10:16 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Can you give us a quick 10K foot view of what the City is planning in the Capital budget?

at 0:10:52 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** As the Assessor is saying, they are legally bound to assess homes at market (sale) value. So, no, the increases are affected by sales, and areas or types of homes in demand probably increased more.

at 0:11:59 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Is the City open to working with Dominion on burying electrical lines? Can this be a consideration for current or future budgets?

at 0:12:45 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Karen Davis** can you outline the "other considerations" applied beyond the Neighborhood Comps. For example., what weight is applied for a bathroom?

at 0:13:59 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** Value is going to go up, the high tax rate is the problem.

at 0:16:10 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Melaneigh Nikole** I agree with Patrick

at 0:17:27 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** The manager has said she plans to recommend a lower rate, but doesn't yet have specifics

at 0:17:48 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Karen Davis** I'd still like to know what a bath fixture is worth.

at 0:18:40 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Brad Memphis Raines Lehman** I understand property taxes go up but 16% increase in one year is ridiculous

at 0:19:11 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** Hampton is one of the highest taxed cities in Hampton Roads. But yet you can't tell driving around on our roads.

at 0:19:21 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** There are websites that tell you what an improvement adds to the value of your home for resale purposes

at 0:19:36 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** Values are up 1to 16% on average. Bills won't go up 16% if the rate is reduced.

at 0:20:00 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Sydney Thomas** As global warming increases flood risk for some of Hampton's properties, does the assessment take this into consideration as a devaluation? Did those areas get a lower lift in the assessment?

at 0:20:17 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** My House has doubled in value over the last 16 years. The tax rate has also continued to go up . We are paying double property taxes . Cut the rate 50% . Note that the citizens pay has not doubled over the last 16 years

at 0:21:06 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Brad Memphis Raines Lehman** Hampton, VA - Gov key word "if"

at 0:22:30 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** I thought the school system received revenue for chrome books from the federal government as part of COVID and Virtual learning

at 0:22:39 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Thank you...911 center to be in Hampton

at 0:25:33 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Is this the correct platform to mention LEO salary. The sign over Mercury Blvd says salary \$48,800. With the increase in violet crime, gang activity, drugs, hatred, etc. is a salary increase allocated. I understand the Hampton Department is short staffed with openings. Is the salary being evaluated for demand, risk, job demands..... Target put out they will be paying salaries of \$24. Competitive salaries in the current environment

at 0:26:43 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Nick Kennedy** 🙌 I asked a question about raises. When will that be answered?

at 0:27:10 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Craig Knopp** The chrome books are the best. That is the best development.

at 0:27:13 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** We will get to it. Was trying to get the more broad community questions first.

at 0:27:48 on 3/04/2022 UTC

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**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Dr Smith is a bkessing to the City of Hampton. Committed to each child's success.

at 0:27:56 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Great! Thank you

at 0:28:01 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Regina Dede-Okailley** With the increase in property taxes, Can we request sidewalks and curbs in some of the older neighborhoods in the Wythe area?

at 0:28:42 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**William Eck** When people are suffering from inflation, they have to change habots, get by with less. Is the city govenment going to look for greater efficiencies, the same way households have to when there is inflation?

at 0:29:18 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** I'm in on the curbs idea...

at 0:29:34 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Dr Smith is a blessing to Hampton City Schools.

at 0:30:35 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Spenser Bosch** If property taxes do increase to 16%, what will that money be utilized for? Will it go back into neighborhood infrastructure, or thrown into the general budget?

at 0:30:58 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Cost of Living is important for employee retention. Turn over is expensive. Inflation is 5-7% this year

at 0:32:14 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Nick Kennedy** Will the city go back to merit raises?

at 0:32:22 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Lyndsey Liberty Rapoza** Hampton city school employee raises?

at 0:32:57 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**William Eck** With the property tax on cars (whoever heard of such a thing?) there is something called a "License fee". What is that and what is it used for?

at 0:33:05 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** Cut the projects

at 0:33:26 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Hey city manager Bunting!

at 0:33:54 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** The School budget needs some scrutiny...and then shared with citizens so the \$10M can be justified to citizens. Hampton Council gives allot of the tax revenue to the schools ...64%??

at 0:34:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Jennifer Fox** Just another way for the city to continue to gain revenue. It's just the 'city sticker' we aren't actually required to have any longer

at 0:34:54 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Hey Mrs. McCormick!!!

at 0:35:08 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Spenser Bosch** With this potential property tax increase, would you consider lowering or cutting the area improvement tax in Coliseum?

at 0:35:33 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** At a minimum, curbs would be helpful in Wythe as the roads are sloped and water comes into properties

at 0:36:19 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Chris L. Bowman** City Manager Bunting - thank you for this excellent Budget Update.

at 0:37:43 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** This is conceptually referred to as a "capital gains tax" . In short, the way it works is gains are taxed in the year an asset is sold, regardless of when the gains accrued. Unrealized, accrued capital gains are generally not considered taxable income. For example, if you bought an asset (e.g. a share of stock) for \$100 ten years ago, and it's worth \$300 now and you sell it, your taxable capital gain would be \$200 in the current year, and zero in the previous years.

at 0:39:12 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** This “taxation upon realization” approach has two advantages: relative ease of valuation and likelihood of investor liquidity. For the purpose of determining the capital gain, and then assessing tax liability, the value of the asset is simply the sale price. After realizing the gain, the selling investor should be able to use the money received for the asset to pay the capital gains tax.

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**Thomas Oswald** salary \$231,000 year

at 0:40:11 on 3/04/2022 UTC

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**Thomas Oswald** Robin McCormick salary \$130,000 year

at 0:41:06 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** The underlying problem is that the current system does not tax a household’s economic income, which is the sum of the household’s consumption and the change in its wealth during the year. By this standard, all capital gains that occur in the year in question should be included—whether realized or unrealized.

at 0:41:28 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** That’s a question we are asking residents: Are there areas you think need increased spending?

at 0:42:51 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Trish Fairbanks** Why did a kayak-launch area and a bridge over the marsh take precedence over a boat ramp in a city surrounded by water?

at 0:43:04 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** What do other cities do on ‘fair share’?

at 0:43:04 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Thank you

at 0:44:41 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** In short, taxes being increase mean that the assets the city has are gaining. To avoid Beta risks ( the risks that are unknown but associated with the market) the city must double down on Alpha (investor knowledge and expertise). It would be helpful if citizens reviewed the packages provided by the investment consultant to the board , and asked questions of the liaison on items that didn’t make sense.

at 0:46:29 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Spenser Bosch** Definitely need to incentivize teachers. Downtown Hampton could use some help, particularly the Air and Space Science Center. Would also love to see some improvements to the bleachers/concession stands over at War Memorial.

at 0:48:06 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Yes, it’s a great presentation.

at 0:48:15 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Competitive for applying for college.

at 0:48:24 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Erica Spencer** Yessssssss love AoH and the city partnership!!!

at 0:48:39 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** Yes we do we also want there families able to afford to live here

at 0:48:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Crystal Davis** Yes. Great schools lure great businesses and great employers to Hampton. Absolutely support our schools, and I don’t even have children.

at 0:49:30 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Yes ,to be honest a collaboration with Hampton University could produce a lot of tax relief for citizens if programs were partnered with them.

at 0:49:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Robin McCormick is the 🐶 !

at 0:50:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** Not sure what you mean about the ramp. Can you clarify?

at 0:50:52 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Appreciate this call and allowing the citizens to be informed. Thank you

at 0:50:55 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Mo Edwards** Why would Hampton be considering paying to park down at Buckroe Beach?

at 0:51:27 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Why should I move to Hampton , VA?

at 0:52:20 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Stephanie White** Why are real estate taxes going up 30%?

at 0:52:34 on 3/04/2022 UTC

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**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** Maybe the boat ramp off Kecoughtan Road. That has been a topic in the past

at 0:52:38 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Trish Fairbanks** Why hasn't a new boat ramp been put in by the city in forever?

at 0:53:00 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Alishiea Rose** Why are residents being penalized for parking in there yards starting in July?

at 0:53:20 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** Watch the earlier part of this video. Considerable discussion. Also, taxes aren't going up 30%

at 0:53:31 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Maybe because there aren't enough people with boats in the city of Hampton?

at 0:53:51 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Alishiea Rose** Where is that revenue going towards that's collected?

at 0:54:03 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**John Kochanowski** We would support the parking fees at buckroe.

at 0:54:21 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Thomas Oswald** What is status of Phoebus Master Plan concerning the replacement of 60 year old water mains that are collapsing and creating sinkholes all along County Street, an ongoing problem for years.

at 0:54:25 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Karen Davis** Will there be bands performing at Buckroe Beach, Downtown, and PTC this upcoming summer?

at 0:54:29 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Spenser Bosch** What are we doing to keep young professionals graduating from Hampton U in our city? What does the city's financial relationship with the university look like?

at 0:54:38 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Mo Edwards** Thank you  
at 0:54:40 on 3/04/2022 UTC

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**Robin Mabie** Is the City considering AMbassadors at the beach to enforce/suggest 'clean up' after yourself? or some kind of consumer relation message to encourage  
at 0:54:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Christine Bell** There is a shortage of speech and occupational therapist in the public schools of Hampton it's not realistic for one speech therapist to have 90 special needs kids and still provide adequate service is there a budget to address this issue for Hampton city schools  
at 0:56:15 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Do they contribute to the price tag at Darling Stadium?  
at 0:57:40 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** Yes and who decided this I'm not wanting to spend a bunch of money to put gravel down. I've parked a trailer in the same spot for 10 years and now it's a problem . What the heck Hampton  
at 0:57:56 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** I was one of them!  
at 0:58:26 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Larry Sanders** Are we saying that Hampton home owners have to pay to park at buckroe beach ? Soon  
at 0:58:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC

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**Charee Hoffman** What can be done to improve the aesthetics of the city as it pertains to trash and debris on the primary roads and interstate off ramps?  
at 1:00:03 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Large dumpsters also....and pods  
at 1:00:49 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Karen Davis** Is there anything that citizens can do to help City Government?  
at 1:00:53 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Patrick Turpin** That's an HOA problem not the city  
at 1:01:02 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** Can't park on the street \$190 ticket learned that the hard way  
at 1:02:11 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** That is a nice 'give' by the City  
at 1:02:45 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Kentucky Ave across from War Memorial Stadium  
at 1:04:23 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Stephanie White** Hampton, VA - Gov my taxes will increase 30% based on the card the city mailed. I'll review the earlier part.  
at 1:04:38 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Charee Hoffman** Great - thank you for your response.  
at 1:04:45 on 3/04/2022 UTC

**Robin Mabie** SOunds goodQQ



at 1:05:50 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Crystal Davis** Speaking of parking, any ideas for better parking for the games at War Memorial park? I'd go more if I could actually secure parking.

at 1:05:55 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Hampton, VA - Gov** The increased assessment is just one component of the tax bill. The City Manager is expecting to recommend a lower tax rate.

at 1:06:54 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Larry Sanders** That's way I love Hampton they never answer all the questions?

at 1:07:04 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Remember that you serve at the pleasure of council. It's not an elected role. But you are able to make an impact through the boards.

at 1:07:12 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Brad Memphis Raines Lehman** Who's responsible for cleaning the Coliseum parking lot? Especially the area near the water by the parking lot? After an event these is trash all along the water area.

at 1:07:15 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** The beaches and parks are all I think about in Cali!

at 1:08:32 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Robin Mabie** Thank you much!

at 1:08:35 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** I miss how accessible they were

at 1:08:40 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Mo Edwards** Appreciate this! Thank you!

at 1:08:45 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** 2 hour drive to get to them from here

at 1:08:51 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Edward Sean Robinson** Y'all got it good in Hampton! Enjoy!

at 1:09:02 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Eric Mcpherson** Thank you

at 1:09:04 on 3/04/2022 UTC



**Donna Lynn Youngblood McCord** If you want to get involved, the PTA is looking for volunteers. Facebook-Hampton Council PTA. Make a difference

at 2:40:48 on 3/04/2022 UTC