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## Vienna Town Council Adopts FY25 Budget

At its regular meeting tonight, the Vienna Town Council adopted the Town budget, real estate tax rate, and water and sewer rates for fiscal year 2025. The adopted \$53.8-million balanced budget reflects current economic conditions related to inflation and supply chain issues and:

- Maintains property tax rate at 19.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value
- Addresses inflationary increases in operating costs, mainly through tax revenue increases related to assessed value of new construction
- Funds compensation increases for eligible employees
- Provides a night shift pay differential to police officers who work overnight
- Adds one personnel position identified as a priority An after-hours information technology position to support police, the community center and other after-hours IT needs

Tonight's vote ends a months-long budget process involving several Council work sessions and public hearings. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year there was either no change or a reduction in Vienna's property tax rate.

The adopted budget also includes a 10 percent increase in water and sewer bills due to increases in operational costs from the Town's service providers - Fairfax Water and the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority. The result is an average annual water service increase of \$100.

The FY25 Town Budget takes effect July 1, 2024. The adopted budget will be posted online at www.viennava.gov/budget.

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