

STAFF REPORT

Warrenton Town Council

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Council Meeting Date: November 12, 2025

Agenda Title: Community Development Financial Overview

Requested Action: For information only **Department / Agency Lead:** Finance & Procurement

Staff Lead: Brooke Campbell, Budget Manager

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each month from August through January we will provide financial overviews of one or more departments as part of the council meeting agenda. The purpose of the financial overview is to provide a detailed look into each department's budget. Each financial overview will contain line-by-line detail on the relevant department's budget, a chart summarizing the trend in actual expenditures, and a chart summarizing budget versus actual spending. Departments will provide separate reports and presentations detailing their operations.

As a result, each department will have the opportunity to present, and the council will have the opportunity to review their financial information before the delivery of the proposed budget on April 1st.

BACKGROUND

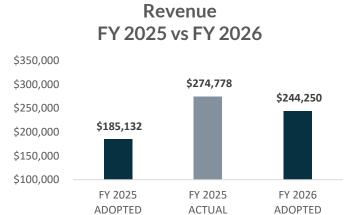
The community development function consists of three (3) departments, development services, planning, and visitor's center. These three (3) budgets capture the cost to operate each department as well as the cost of ten (10) full-time and two (2) part-time staff. The community development section of the budget also includes the operating costs of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, and the Architectural Review Board.

The below tables and charts provide a financial summary of the community development function.

Revenue - Permits & Fees

ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2023 ACTUAL		FY 2025 ADOPTED		
PERMITS & OTHER LICENSES	219,987	254,188	185,132	274,778	244,250
TOTAL	\$219,987	\$254,188	\$ 185,132	\$274,778	\$244,250





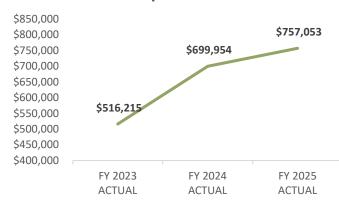
In FY 2024, revenue increased 15.5% or \$34,201 over FY 2023. FY 2025 revenue increased 8.1% or \$20,590 over FY 2024.

In FY 2025, the total projected revenue for permits & fees was \$185,132. FY 2025 actual revenue totaled \$274,778. The FY 2026 projected revenue for permits & fees is \$244,250.

Expenditure - Development Services

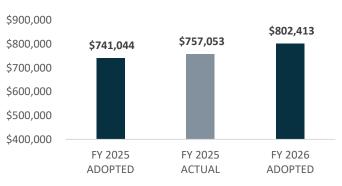
ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2023 ACTUAL	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 ADOPTED	FY 2025 ACTUAL	FY 2026 ADOPTED
PERSONNEL SUBTOTAL	511,009	695,263	724,044	752,518	785,913
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	-	1,125	2,000	800	1,000
PRINTING	ı	33	500	242	-
POSTAGE	123	434	2,000	309	2,000
LEASE OF EQUIPMENT	-	-	1,000	-	500
TRAVEL	1,046	ı	1,000	115	1,000
TRAINING	2,207	1,322	3,000	580	2,500
MEMBERSHIPS & DUES	145	486	1,500	906	1,500
PURCHASING	1,685	1,292	6,000	1,584	8,000
TOTAL	\$ 516,215	\$ 699,954	\$ 741,044	\$ 757,053	\$802,413

Actual Expenditure Trend



In FY 2024, expenses increased 35.6% or \$183,738 over FY 2023. FY 2025 expenses increased 8.2% or \$57,100 over FY 2024.

Expenditure FY 2025 vs FY 2026

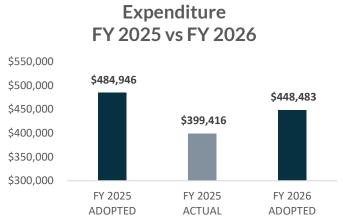


In FY 2025, the total adopted budget for the development services department was \$741,044. FY 2025 expenses totaled \$757,053. The FY 2026 adopted budget for the department is \$802,413.

Expenditure - Planning

ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2023 ACTUAL	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 ADOPTED	FY 2025 ACTUAL	FY 2026 ADOPTED
PERSONNEL SUBTOTAL	329,061	353,357	364,545	360,555	381,518
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	33,211	62,616	90,000	23,954	42,064
PRINTING	217	•	1,000	660	1,000
POSTAGE	2,084	2,164	1,000	1,418	1,000
LEASE OF EQUIPMENT	601	601	1,500	601	500
TRAVEL	2,152	781	4,500	-	2,000
TRAINING	1,440	810	5,500	-	5,000
CONTRIBUTION PLANNING DISTRICT	10,284	10,284	10,401	10,401	10,401
MEMBERSHIPS & DUES	1,929	2,644	3,000	1,703	2,000
PURCHASING	1,783	1,982	3,500	125	3,000
TOTAL	\$382,762	\$435,239	\$484,946	\$399,416	\$448,483





In FY 2024, expenses increased 13.71% or \$52,478 compared to FY 2023. FY 2025 expenses decreased 8.2% or \$35,823 over FY 2024.

In FY 2025, the total adopted budget for the planning department was \$484,946. FY 2025 expenses totaled \$399,416. The FY 2026 adopted budget for the department is \$448,483.

Expenditure - Visitor's Center

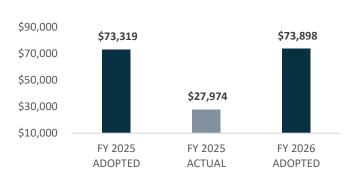
ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2023 ACTUAL	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 ADOPTED	FY 2025 ACTUAL	FY 2026 ADOPTED
PERSONNEL SUBTOTAL	18,136	26,471	69,269	27,921	69,848
PRINTING	-	-	100	-	100
ADVERTISING/MARKETING	-	-	100	-	-
POSTAGE	83	116	300	53	300
LEASE OF EQUIPMENT	-	-	2,250	-	2,250
TRAINING	-	55	500	•	500
MEMBERSHIPS & DUES	-	1	300	1	300
PURCHASING	-	-	500	-	600
TOTAL	\$18,219	\$26,642	\$ 73,319	\$27,974	\$ 73,898

Please note that Community Development receives an annual contribution in the amount of \$42,600 from Fauquier County for the operation of the Visitor's Center.



In FY 2024, expenses increased 46.2% or \$8,422 compared to FY 2023. FY 2025 expenses increased 5.0% or \$1,333 over FY 2024.

Expenditure FY 2025 vs FY 2026



In FY 2025, the total adopted budget for the visitor's center was \$73,319. FY 2025 expenses totaled \$27,974. The FY 2026 adopted budget for the department is \$73,898.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS

None.