The 2018 Preliminary Budget*

- The tax-supported budget is balanced without any draw on the Financial Stabilization Reserve.
- Limits tax-supported expenditure growth to 1.2%, one of the lowest increases in the history of Winnipeg.
- Limits property tax increases to 2.33% representing a $39 increase for the average Winnipeg household.
- Dedicates the entire 2.33% property tax increase to infrastructure.
- Does not increase recycling fees beyond inflation.
- Does not increase the water and sewer dividend rate.
- Does not increase the frontage levy.
- Contains no new fees.
- Reduces the Business Tax rate to 5.14%, a 9.8% reduction over the last four years.

- Invests a record $116 million to fix local and regional roads.
- Proposes a record investment of $7.1 million in the Urban Forest Enhancement & Reforestation Capital Programs to help address Dutch Elm Disease.
- Identifies $175,000 to support a review of the city’s current governance framework.
- Keeps transit fares amongst the lowest compared to other major cities even with a 25 cent increase.
- Invests $28.4 million to purchase 40 new transit buses to modernize and renew the bus fleet.
- Increases on-street parking by $1 to boost turnover and availability of parking spots.
- Increases funding for police consistent with the Winnipeg Police Board strategic plan.
- Invests a record level $17 million into active transportation, a 31% increase from 2017.
- Invests over $43 million in annual and multi-year grant funding to museums, community centres, and other community organizations.

* Subject to Council approval