

## How are Property Tax Rates Calculated?

The 2019 property tax rates have been set. There are several factors that affect the tax rate.

### ▶ City Operations

The City needs to collect from citizens in order to operate—that is, to balance the necessary costs and priorities while maintaining the service levels that our community expects. Citizens are invited to provide feedback during the budget process. Council approves the budget in March, and tax rates are subsequently set.

### ▶ Hospital and School Taxes

The City collects taxes for external authorities like the hospital and the school district. Taxes for these external entities are not set by the City. However, for ease of collection, the City collects the specific amount of taxes along with property taxes in order to disburse the funds on taxpayers' behalf.

### ▶ External Factors

Certain costs are out of the City's control, yet they affect property tax rates. Examples include the fluctuating cost of services like insurance and hydro. As a corporate customer of IBC and BC Hydro, the City, like individuals and families, is faced with covering any rising costs due to rate increases.

### ▶ Value of Your Home

Your total property tax amount depends on the assessed value of your home, which is determined by BC Assessment. The City then applies the Council-approved tax rate to a property's assessed value. The City of Kamloops 2019 residential tax rate is \$4.98 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

## Where Does the Money Go?

Source: 2017 Annual Report p.35

**25.96%**  
**Safety**

Police and Fire Services

**23.8%**  
**Utilities**

Sewer, Solid Waste, Water, and Drainage

**14.54%**  
**Transportation**

Transit and Streets

**14.43%**  
**Parks & Facilities**

Parks, Sports Fields, Pools, TCC, Arenas, and Community & Cultural Facilities

The remaining 21.27% of your tax dollars covers City Services and Administration, Debt Servicing, Development and Engineering, Public Works, City Building Facilities, Bylaws, Parking, and Cemetery.



## PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE JULY 2, 2019. NOTICES WILL BE MAILED OUT IN MAY.

For information on how, when, and where to pay your property taxes and claim your home owner grant, visit [Kamloops.ca/PropertyTax](http://Kamloops.ca/PropertyTax).

## City Council Strategic Plan 2019–2022



Council has finalized and published its new strategic plan for the next four years. Council's vision of **"bold leadership for a strong, inclusive, and healthy community"** encompasses the four strategic priorities listed below.

Back Row: Councillor Mike O'Reilly, Councillor Arjun Singh, Mayor Ken Christian, Councillor Denis Walsh, Councillor Dieter Dudy  
Front Row: Councillor Sadie Hunter, Councillor Bill Sarai, Councillor Dale Bass, Councillor Kathy Sinclair



### Governance & Accountability

The City of Kamloops has strong, accountable governance and makes informed decisions. Residents are engaged in Council's strategic priorities.

### Livability

The City of Kamloops maintains a vibrant, high quality of life for an inclusive, healthy, and diverse community.

### Vibrant Economy

The City of Kamloops supports a diverse, vibrant, and resilient economy.

### Environmental Leadership

The City of Kamloops leads by example by making sustainable choices to minimize our environmental footprint.

Learn more about City Council and the Council Strategic Plan at [Kamloops.ca/Council](http://Kamloops.ca/Council).

## Download these City Apps for Free!



### What? Where? When? Waste Wise!

Take the guesswork out of recycling and never miss a collection day. Download the Waste Wise Kamloops app on your tablet or smartphone. View your upcoming collection schedule, sign up for weekly collection reminders, and search how to recycle or dispose of hundreds of products and items. You can also use the Waste Wise Wizard on the web! Learn more at [Kamloops.ca/WasteWise](http://Kamloops.ca/WasteWise).



### Whoosh! Pay for your parking by mobile phone.

If you're shopping or attending an appointment or event downtown, the Whoosh! mobile parking app will save you time! Register your vehicle, choose your time and pay, and you're done! Receive expiry alerts and extend time right from your phone. Learn more at [Kamloops.ca/Parking](http://Kamloops.ca/Parking).



## Mark These Community Events on Your Calendar

**May 25–26**

FireFit Regional Championships, in conjunction with the Spring BrewLoops Block Party

**May 14–June 6**

2019 BC Lions Training Camp

**May 27–June 2**

2019 Bike to Work Week

**June 1**

2019 BC Lions Fan Fest

**July 1**

2019 Canada Day Celebration

**July 25–28**

2nd Annual Kamloops International Buskers Festival

**August 9–11**

8th Annual Ribfest and Hot Nite in the City

Check out our events calendar online at [Kamloops.ca/Events](http://Kamloops.ca/Events).



## Let's Talk KAMLOOPS

### Share Your Voice. Shape Our City.

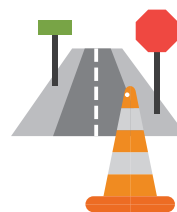
Let's Talk Kamloops is the City's online engagement site where you can contribute your ideas and feedback on city matters. We want to empower you—our residents—to be more active in shaping your community and future. We will listen to what you say, take your opinions into account, and report back to you on how community input contributes to City projects.

Sign up and speak up at  
[LetsTalk.Kamloops.ca](http://LetsTalk.Kamloops.ca)



### Water Restrictions: May 1–August 31

Waterworks Bylaw No. 12-31—no sprinkling or irrigating is allowed between 11:00 am and 6:00 pm on any day. Even addresses may only sprinkle or irrigate on even-numbered days. Odd addresses may only sprinkle or irrigate on odd-numbered days. For more information, visit [Kamloops.ca/WaterSmart](http://Kamloops.ca/WaterSmart).



### Attention Commuters!

It's a busy time of year in terms of road projects throughout the city. We work to keep residents up to date on projects that may impact neighbourhoods, pedestrians, and motorists. Stay up to date through our social media channels, or visit [Kamloops.ca/Kammute](http://Kamloops.ca/Kammute) for a summary of current projects. We thank all residents for their patience.



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