

City Council

Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget

Description

The Danville City Council is the governing body of the City of Danville, Virginia. The City Council is empowered to adopt and enforce ordinances, policies, and rules and regulations to conduct the public's business and to provide for the protection of general health, safety, and welfare to the public. All ordinances are codified and are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk. The City Council has the power to appoint the city manager, the city attorney, and the city clerk. The city manager, the city attorney, and the city clerk serve at the pleasure of the City Council.

The City Council consists of nine members, elected to four-year staggered terms, with elections every two years. City Council conducts its monthly business meetings on the first and third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 4th floor, Municipal Building, 427 Patton Street, in downtown Danville. The business meetings are televised by the local cable provider and may be seen on River City TV.

Revenues/Expenditures

	ACTUAL		ADOPTED BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET		
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expenses						
Personnel Services	\$83,334	\$80,001	\$80,000	\$272,000	\$192,000	
Employee Benefits	\$6,374	\$6,119	\$6,120	\$20,810	\$14,690	
Purchased Services	\$7,075	–	\$9,500	\$7,000	(\$2,500)	
Internal Service	\$3,840	\$4,905	\$4,260	\$8,330	\$4,070	
Other Operating Expense	\$99,223	\$115,927	\$130,890	\$141,460	\$10,570	
Capital Expenses	\$12,744	–	\$0	\$0	\$0	
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$212,590	\$206,951	\$230,770	\$449,600	\$218,830	
Net Cost to City	\$212,590	\$206,951	\$230,770	\$449,600		

Personnel

There are eight part-time council members. Each of the eight council members receives an annual payment of \$34,000 for their services.

Mayor

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Description

The mayor serves as the president of the City Council, presides at all meetings of the City Council, and performs other duties consistent with the office as may be imposed by the City Council. The mayor is entitled to vote and speak on the issues as is afforded other members of the City Council; however, they are not granted any veto power. The mayor is recognized as the head of the City government for all ceremonial purposes, the purposes of military law, and the service of the civil process.

The Office of the Mayor also represents the City at various functions, both public and private. The mayor issues proclamations, signs all ordinances, and resolutions adopted by the City Council, and has the authority to call special meetings of the City Council.

Revenues/Expenditures

ACTUAL		ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)
Expenses					
Personnel Services	\$12,500	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$37,000	\$25,000
Employee Benefits	\$956	\$918	\$918	\$2,830	\$1,912
Internal Service	\$470	\$1,130	\$540	\$980	\$440
Other Operating Expense	\$1,552	\$792	\$2,060	\$2,520	\$460
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$15,479	\$14,840	\$15,518	\$43,330	\$27,812
Net Cost to City	\$15,479	\$14,840	\$15,518	\$43,330	

Personnel

The Mayor's position is part-time and receives an annual salary of \$37,000.

City Manager's Office

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Description

The City of Danville converted to the Council-Manager form of government in 1951. This provides for professional, non-partisan management of municipal affairs.

The City Manager is the chief executive officer of the City and is responsible to the City Council for the proper administration of the City government. The City Manager has the responsibility to see that all laws and ordinances are enforced; exercise supervision and control over all administrative departments and divisions of the City; attend all regular meetings of the City Council, with the right to take part in discussion, but having no vote; recommend to the City Council, for adoption, such measures as they deem necessary or expedient; make and execute all contracts on behalf of the City, except as may be otherwise provided by the City Charter or by ordinance passed by the City Council; prepare and submit the annual budget; keep City Council fully advised at all times as to the present and future physical needs of the City; perform other duties as may be prescribed by the City Charter or the City Council; and be responsible for the appointment and removal of all officers and employees of the City.

Revenues/Expenditures

	ACTUAL	ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET		
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expenses						
Personnel Services	\$565,453	\$611,433	\$733,509	\$775,630	\$42,121	
Employee Benefits	\$61,178	\$68,477	\$94,121	\$105,840	\$11,719	
Purchased Services	\$43,441	\$10,078	\$7,450	\$80,260	\$72,810	
Internal Service	\$15,239	\$17,834	\$15,670	\$12,030	(\$3,640)	
Contribution Other Entity	\$40,000	–	–	–	\$0	
Other Operating Expense	\$42,046	\$45,699	\$49,140	\$55,670	\$6,530	
Capital Expenses	\$513	\$9,997	\$700	\$700	\$0	
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$767,870	\$763,518	\$900,590	\$1,030,130	\$129,540	
Net Cost to City	\$767,870	\$763,518	\$900,590	\$1,030,130		

Personnel

Position Title	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
FTEs				
ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER	1	1	1	1
CITY MANAGER	1	1	1	1
DEPUTY CITY MANAGER	1	1	1	1
ECONOMIC MOBILITY & OPPORTUNITY MANAGER	0	0	1	1
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	0	0	0	0
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	1	1	1	1
FTEs	4	4	5	5

City Clerk

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Description

The City Clerk/Clerk of Council is appointed by the Danville City Council. The Clerk records all minutes, ordinances, resolutions, and contracts approved by City Council and is responsible for the codification of the City Code and its distribution. This office also maintains historical files, City Council records, and official contracts/agreements approved by City Council.

Revenues/Expenditures

	ACTUAL	ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET		
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expenses						
Personnel Services	\$67,639	\$74,786	\$79,048	\$84,420	\$5,372	
Employee Benefits	\$7,886	\$9,170	\$10,460	\$11,900	\$1,440	
Purchased Services	\$21,839	\$50,442	\$38,860	\$42,170	\$3,310	
Internal Service	\$6,064	\$2,317	\$2,610	\$2,390	(\$220)	
Other Operating Expense	\$10,292	\$16,404	\$20,520	\$40,550	\$20,030	
Capital Expenses	\$10,347	\$1,081	–	\$6,500	\$6,500	
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$124,067	\$154,198	\$151,497	\$187,930	\$36,433	
Net Cost to City	\$124,067	\$154,198	\$151,497	\$187,930	–	

Personnel

Position Title	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
FTEs				
CLERK OF COUNCIL	1	1	1	1
FTEs	1	1	1	1

River City TV

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Description

River City TV serves as the City of Danville's government-educational access channel. The mission of River City TV is to keep the citizens of Danville well-informed of the functions of local government and the Danville Public School System.

The channel is managed and operated by the City of Danville's Multimedia Manager through the City's cable franchise agreement.

Revenues/Expenditures

The Electric Fund provides a portion of the cost for this operation.

	ACTUAL		ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET	Increase/ (Decrease)
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026		
Revenues						
Recovered Cost	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000		\$0
REVENUES TOTAL	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000		\$0
Expenses						
Personnel Services	\$88,281	\$95,517	\$100,960	\$107,580		\$6,620
Employee Benefits	\$10,395	\$11,823	\$13,359	\$15,160		\$1,801
Purchased Services	–	\$30	\$500	\$1,000		\$500
Internal Service	\$10,174	\$12,774	\$11,680	\$9,300		(\$2,380)
Other Operating Expense	\$4,116	\$2,280	\$5,160	\$5,140		(\$20)
Capital Expenses	\$4,636	\$9,543	\$5,000	\$10,500		\$5,500
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$117,602	\$131,967	\$136,659	\$148,680		\$12,021
Net Cost to City	\$67,602	\$81,967	\$86,659	\$98,680		–

Personnel

Position Title	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
FTEs				
MULTIMEDIA MANAGER	1	1	1	1
FTEs	1	1	1	1

Gang and Violence Prevention

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Description

This division of the City Manager's Office coordinates activities and programs between City departments, community groups and agencies in the awareness, suppression, intervention, and prevention of gang related activity. The award-winning "Project Imagine" is a Community Violence Intervention collaborative for ages 21 and under that provides at-risk and gang affiliated individual's opportunities for success through multi-resource interventions. Project Imagine is based on the evidence-based theory of Cognitive Behavior Therapy in that if the youth can implement new information and standards, then he or she can change their behavior. The idea is that the program creates a positive "image" in the mind of the youth so that he or she can "Imagine" a life without gangs or crime.

The youth will receive: 15-hour orientation including a Clifton Strengths-based assessment, Casey life skills, financial literacy, goalsetting, workforce readiness, and [Credible Messenger](#) forum, Fulltime and Part-time employment through partnerships with city departments, on-profit organizations, and for-profit businesses, 1-on-1 Outreach worker, Educational assistance, Sports Based Youth Development, Apprenticeship opportunities with Danville business owners

Project Imagine also provide services to the community which includes: community credible messenger training 12 hours , 20 hours OTW National certification, prevention services 6 to 11 years old, workforce opportunities, parental assistance, school-based conflict resolution, and services for families of youth in this population.

Revenues/Expenditures

Grant programs utilized in prior years have ended resulting in an increase in several costs for FY2026.

	ACTUAL		ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET		
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)		
Expenses							
Personnel Services	\$163,859	\$214,224	\$246,620	\$372,040			\$125,420
Employee Benefits	\$16,765	\$22,798	\$28,632	\$43,830			\$15,198
Purchased Services	\$4,400	\$9,360	\$74,140	\$73,180			(\$960)
Internal Service	\$2,949	\$11,251	\$29,330	\$33,450			\$4,120
Contribution Other Entity	\$30,000	\$43,200	\$72,900	\$149,060			\$76,160
Other Operating Expense	\$23,746	\$37,411	\$75,010	\$89,550			\$14,540
Capital Expenses	\$6,275	–	\$0	\$0			\$0
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$247,995	\$338,244	\$526,631	\$761,110			\$234,479
Net Cost to City	\$247,995	\$338,244	\$526,631	\$761,110			

Personnel

There are 5 total FTEs for Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Outreach Workers, one of which is grant funded and is not included below.

Position Title	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
FTEs				
ASST VIOLENCE PREVENTION MANAGER	1	1	1	1
COMMUNITY LIAISON	1	1	1	1
VIOLENCE PREV OUTREACH WORKER	0	3.5	1	4
VIOLENCE PREVENTION MANAGER	1	1	1	1
FTEs	3	6.5	4	7

Accomplishments

Project Imagine successes since starting in 2021 are as follows:

- 59 youth enrolled since Jan 2023 (Total 119) are actively communicating with staff
- 85% of youth who have been in Project Imagine more than a year have not received new charges
- 93% of youth eligible for education are enrolled in an educational institution
- 94% of enrolled youth have not been a victim or perpetrator of gun violence
- 18 youth currently employed
- Collaboration with DPS Community in Schools program providing resilience, conflict resolution and self efficacy class at GW high school to 38 youth twice a week with 3 days of Project Imagines' staff present to reinforce the class principle's. Staff noted an increase in student participation, decrease in class disturbance.
- Distinguished as a National Gang Center Model for the Comprehensive Gang Model.
- Hosted Philadelphia and St Lucie Florida to discuss Project Imagines part in the model.
- Internationally recognized in Sweden and European media as a city that effectively implemented the Comprehensive Gang Model.
- Project Imagine workforce model recognized Nationally
- Implemented gang prevention model thorough sports based youth development. Graduated 35 youth from summer program
- Staff nationally and state certified
- Created Credible Messenger training in collaboration with community, federal probation and state probation. Graduated 3 returning citizens

Goals

The Violence Prevention Office will continue implementation of the Comprehensive Gang Model by:

- Assisting with the efforts of the City of Danville to reduce the impact of violence on youth by improving identification, screening, access, delivery, and quality of services available to youth exposed to gang-related violence in an attempt to prevent them from joining a gang or being victimized by a gang.
- Assisting with the efforts of the City of Danville to reduce and sustain reductions in community youth violence, particularly gun and gang violence, and victimization
- Assisting with the efforts of the City of Danville to will prevent violence and promote healing from victimization and exposure to violence in the home, school, and community
- Assisting with the efforts of the City of Danville to enhance effective programs and strategies to identify and serve youth at risk of becoming gang involved or continuing in the gang lifestyle
- Assisting with the efforts of the City of Danville to develop, expand, or enhance the use of community assessments and strategic planning that uses data to inform decision making by implementing an evidence based program for ongoing program improvement and for measuring outcomes.

City Attorney

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Description

The City Attorney's Office, located on the fourth floor of the Municipal Building, by City Charter, provides the following services: serves as legal counsel/advisor to the City Council, City Administration, the Danville City School Board, and other various boards and agencies of the City to ensure that the activities of the City are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the law, both substantively and procedurally; prepares ordinances and resolutions for consideration and passage by City Council designed to enhance the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Danville, including researching applicable State and Federal Statutes necessary for legal compliance of same; drafts legal documents such as deeds, pleadings, performance agreements, and contracts as required and requested, oversees the preparation of contracts involving the City; institutes and prosecutes legal proceedings as needed; attends City Council and other meetings as appropriate; and manages and controls the law business of the City.

Revenues/Expenditures

	ACTUAL	ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET		
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expenses						
Personnel Services	\$422,636	\$457,533	\$484,170	\$514,530	\$30,360	
Employee Benefits	\$49,462	\$55,851	\$64,065	\$72,490	\$8,425	
Purchased Services	\$5,547	\$49,373	\$15,520	\$99,310	\$83,790	
Internal Service	\$6,239	\$7,186	\$7,775	\$8,000	\$225	
Other Operating Expense	\$33,368	\$48,900	\$108,311	\$44,740	(\$63,571)	
Capital Expenses	—	\$7,097	\$0	\$0	\$0	
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$517,252	\$625,940	\$679,840	\$739,070	\$59,230	
Net Cost to City	\$517,252	\$625,940	\$679,840	\$739,070		

Personnel

The Assistant City Attorney I below is authorized and funded 50% in the City Attorney's Budget and 50% in the Utilities Department Budget.

Position Title	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
FTEs				
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY I	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
CITY ATTORNEY	1	1	1	1
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY	1	1	1	1
LEGAL ASSISTANT	1	1	1	1
LEGAL SECRETARY	1	1	1	1
FTEs	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5

Office of Legislative Affairs

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Description

Legislative Affairs develops and coordinates the City's legislative program, serving as the liaison between city and elected officials. Funding will go towards representing the City's interest at the General Assembly and may represent the City at meetings of appointed officials that may impact the Danville area.

Revenues/Expenditures

	ACTUAL		ADOPTED BUDGET		PROPOSED BUDGET	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Increase/ (Decrease)	
Expenses						
Purchased Services	\$77,832	\$77,627	\$86,000	\$81,000	(\$5,000)	
Other Operating Expense	\$17,524	\$17,712	\$23,180	\$23,560	\$380	
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$95,356	\$95,339	\$109,180	\$104,560	(\$4,620)	
Net Cost to City	\$95,356	\$95,339	\$109,180	\$104,560	-	