



Proposed Budget  
Strafford

For the period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025

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R. Chris Garcia	Selectman	
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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2024	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2025	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
<b>General Government</b>						
4130	Executive	24	\$99,970	\$100,814	\$100,814	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	24	\$69,478	\$75,700	\$76,100	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	24	\$102,386	\$118,026	\$124,075	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	24	\$37,758	\$47,992	\$49,047	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	24	\$17,565	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration	24	\$41,876	\$44,712	\$45,918	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	24	\$45,473	\$52,550	\$53,150	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	24	\$54,117	\$53,575	\$57,700	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	24	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$11,000	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	24	\$69,148	\$69,148	\$75,735	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	24	\$9,927	\$10,148	\$10,682	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government	24	\$6,312	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
<b>General Government Subtotal</b>			<b>\$563,010</b>	<b>\$656,665</b>	<b>\$679,221</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Public Safety</b>						
4210	Police	03	\$865,030	\$1,002,762	\$1,030,217	\$0
4215	Ambulances		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4220	Fire	06	\$977,003	\$981,868	\$1,084,006	\$0
4240	Building Inspection	24	\$35,090	\$39,501	\$36,621	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	24	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,500	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Public Safety Subtotal</b>			<b>\$1,882,123</b>	<b>\$2,029,131</b>	<b>\$2,156,344</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Airport/Aviation Center</b>						
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Highways and Streets</b>						
4311	Highway Administration	24	\$721,658	\$733,690	\$750,790	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	24	\$4,533	\$6,200	\$5,500	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Highways and Streets Subtotal</b>			<b>\$726,191</b>	<b>\$739,890</b>	<b>\$756,290</b>	<b>\$0</b>



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			period ending	for period ending	ending 12/31/2025	
			12/31/2024	12/31/2024	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
<b>Sanitation</b>						
4321	Sanitation Administration	24	\$325,698	\$393,749	\$402,247	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Sanitation Subtotal</b>		<b>\$325,698</b>	<b>\$393,749</b>	<b>\$402,247</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Water Distribution and Treatment</b>						
4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Electric</b>						
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Electric Subtotal</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Health</b>						
4411	Health Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control	24	\$1,371	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	24	\$3,991	\$3,991	\$3,991	\$0
4419	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Health Subtotal</b>		<b>\$5,362</b>	<b>\$5,791</b>	<b>\$5,791</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Welfare</b>						
4441	Welfare Administration	24	\$1,775	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments	24	\$11,192	\$11,192	\$11,692	\$0
4449	Other Welfare		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>Welfare Subtotal</b>		<b>\$12,967</b>	<b>\$21,192</b>	<b>\$21,692</b>	<b>\$0</b>



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			period ending	for period ending	ending 12/31/2025	
			12/31/2024	12/31/2024	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
<b>Culture and Recreation</b>						
4520	Parks and Recreation	24	\$5,701	\$6,200	\$6,350	\$0
4550	Library	14	\$156,769	\$166,905	\$174,543	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	24	\$10,698	\$10,800	\$6,900	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Culture and Recreation Subtotal</b>			<b>\$173,168</b>	<b>\$183,905</b>	<b>\$187,793</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Conservation and Development</b>						
4611	Conservation Administration	24	\$952	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Conservation and Development Subtotal</b>			<b>\$952</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Debt Service</b>						
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes	24	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$293,073	\$296,186	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$25,527	\$27,000	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$432,600	\$435,000	\$0	\$0
<b>Capital Outlay Subtotal</b>			<b>\$751,200</b>	<b>\$758,186</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>



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			period ending	for period ending	ending 12/31/2025		
			12/31/2024	12/31/2024	(Recommended) (Not Recommended)		
<b>Operating Transfers Out</b>							
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	<b>Operating Transfers Out Subtotal</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Total Operating Budget Appropriations</b>					<b>\$4,213,878</b>	<b>\$0</b>	



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2025	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	07	\$154,161	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Lease/Purchase Fire Engine-4th year payment</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	08	\$25,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase Equip/Supplies for Ambulance</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	09	\$65,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase First Responder Vehicle and Equipment</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	04	\$25,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Police Vehicle and Equipment CRF</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	12	\$200,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Establish CRF for Fire Station Expansion/Improvement and/or Relocation</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	15	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Change purpose and add funds to CRF (Library)</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	16	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF Library expansion/improvement</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	17	\$5,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF-Town Hall Bldg Mnt/Imprv/Expansion</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	18	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF-Future Reval/Statistical Update</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	19	\$5,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF-Highway Dept. Vehicle and/or Equipment</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	20	\$5,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF-Reflective Road Signage</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	21	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to CRF-Repair/Replace Recycling Ctr Equipment</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	22	\$25,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to NCRF-Bridge Construction &amp; Repair</i>			
<b>Total Proposed Special Articles</b>			<b>\$549,161</b>	<b>\$0</b>



**Individual Warrant Articles**

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2025	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4550	Library	13 <i>Purpose: Full-time Library Director position</i>	\$66,509	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	05 <i>Purpose: Body Cameras</i>	\$61,102	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	23 <i>Purpose: Watershed Study Research-Bow Lake</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	02 <i>Purpose: Capital Improvements for Roads</i>	\$445,000	\$0
<b>Total Proposed Individual Articles</b>			<b>\$597,611</b>	<b>\$0</b>



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2025
<b>Taxes</b>					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	24	\$12,209	\$8,905	\$25,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	24	\$32,749	\$25,002	\$30,000
	<b>Taxes Subtotal</b>		<b>\$44,958</b>	<b>\$33,907</b>	<b>\$55,000</b>
<b>Licenses, Permits, and Fees</b>					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	24	\$1,041,952	\$962,112	\$1,041,952
3230	Building Permits	24	\$33,892	\$24,000	\$33,892
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	24	\$64,425	\$57,903	\$60,000
	<b>Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal</b>		<b>\$1,140,269</b>	<b>\$1,044,015</b>	<b>\$1,135,844</b>
<b>From Federal Government</b>					
3311	Housing and Urban Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection		\$0	\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency		\$0	\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>From Federal Government Subtotal</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>State Sources</b>					
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	24	\$417,867	\$416,262	\$417,867
3353	Highway Block Grant	24	\$130,010	\$130,010	\$131,230
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution		\$0	\$0	\$0
3360	Water Filtration Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>State Sources Subtotal</b>		<b>\$547,877</b>	<b>\$546,272</b>	<b>\$549,097</b>





Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2025
<b>Charges for Services</b>					
3401	Income from Departments	24	\$44,435	\$56,000	\$44,435
3402	Water Supply System Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3403	Sewer User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges	24	\$9,880	\$7,155	\$9,880
<b>Charges for Services Subtotal</b>			<b>\$54,315</b>	<b>\$63,155</b>	<b>\$54,315</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>					
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	24	\$7,800	\$7,800	\$6,000
3502	Interest on Investments	24	\$92,418	\$66,194	\$90,000
3503	Rents of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal</b>			<b>\$100,218</b>	<b>\$73,994</b>	<b>\$96,000</b>
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In</b>					
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	09, 08	\$119,910	\$123,025	\$90,000
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	07	\$81,608	\$83,081	\$77,081
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal</b>			<b>\$201,518</b>	<b>\$206,106</b>	<b>\$167,081</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>					
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	24	\$466,803	\$466,803	\$376,301
<b>Other Financing Sources Subtotal</b>			<b>\$466,803</b>	<b>\$466,803</b>	<b>\$376,301</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues and Credits</b>			<b>\$2,555,958</b>	<b>\$2,434,252</b>	<b>\$2,433,638</b>



Budget Summary

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Item	Period ending 12/31/2025
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$4,213,878
Special Warrant Articles	\$549,161
Individual Warrant Articles	\$597,611
Total Appropriations	\$5,360,650
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$2,433,638
<b>Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$2,927,012</b>

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