SPECIAL BUDGET EDITION 2020/21

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You're invited to have your say on Yarra's proposed budget for 2020/21.

In the midst of coronavirus (COVID-19), we've worked hard to develop a proposed budget that continues to deliver the essential services our community needs, while also supporting you through the pandemic and into the recovery phase.

Your feedback matters

Thank you to everyone who shared their fantastic ideas and priorities with us during the first phase of community engagement in late-2019.

While COVID-19 has greatly shifted some of our priorities, your valued feedback has still shaped this year's proposed budget.

Proposed budget – at a glance

- \$197.36m total operating expenditure
- \$30.54m for capital works projects and other new initiatives
- \$190.90 rate rebate for pensioners (in addition to the Victorian Government rebate)
- 2% increase in general rate revenue (in line with the Victorian Government rate cap)

View the proposed budget

Online yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021

Request a hard copy

Call us on **9205 5555** or email **info@yarracity.vic.gov.au**

HAVE YOUR SAY

With physical distancing restrictions in place, we're offering some new ways for you to find out more about the proposed budget. While we're not able to hold inperson information sessions, you can ask us questions online or by phone.

Written submissions must be received by 5pm on Friday 19 June 2020.

Online

yoursayyarra.com.au/budget2021

Learn more about the proposed budget and ask us any questions on our online forum.

Email

info@yarracity.vic.gov.au

Post

Yarra City Council, PO Box 168, Richmond VIC 3121

Call us

If you have questions and prefer to talk to someone, call us on **9205 5555**.

Speak to your submission

Our Council Meetings are being held virtually during COVID-19. So you can participate, we're live streaming the Special Council Meeting at 7pm on Thursday 16 July 2020, where we'll hear submissions to the proposed budget.

If you would like to speak to your submission (or have someone speak on your behalf), register your intention when making your submission.

The final budget is expected to be adopted, with or without changes, at a Council Meeting on Tuesday 4 August 2020.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

I'm pleased to invite you to view our proposed budget for 2020/21.

One of the biggest challenges of creating this year's proposed budget has been ensuring we support our community through the COVID-19 pandemic, while continuing to deliver the essential, everyday services that you

Our \$7.46 million COVID-19 Community and Economic Support

Package is an unparalleled level of investment in support for the Yarra community in recent times. It's designed to ensure that assistance reaches the individuals, businesses and community organisations who need it most.

We're providing more flexibility for those who need it when it comes to rates payments, and we've also strengthened and expanded services for people experiencing food insecurity, social isolation and those at risk of family violence. Our libraries are playing a key part in this response and have truly been an essential service during this pandemic.

While we've tried to strike a balance with this year's proposed budget, we want to hear from you whether we've got it right. This year, physical distancing means we can't conduct our usual face-to-face engagement with you. However, we've provided new, flexible ways to inform you and seek your feedback.

The proposed budget is available on our Your Say Yarra site, where you'll also be able to watch a video of me explaining this year's budget. Here you can also ask us any questions, which

we'll respond to publicly for everyone

I encourage you to view the proposed budget and make a submission by 5pm on Friday 19 June 2020. I look forward to hearing from you.

I'd like to thank you all for your resilience and community spirit – together we'll get through this.

Stay safe

Cr Misha Coleman Mayor

WURUNDJERI **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra. We pay our respects to Elders from all nations and to their Elders past, present and future.

SUSTAINING OUR COMMUNITY

Supporting you through COVID-19

Announced in early-April, our \$7.46 million COVID-19 Community and Economic Support Package provides financial assistance for the residents, businesses and organisations hardest hit by COVID-19.

This includes \$2.6 million in grants to help our community get through COVID-19 and thrive on the other side.

We're also providing support through donations, fee waivers, and a significant commitment to delivering essential services over the next 15 months.

When it comes to rates payments, we're being more flexible for the people who need it most. This includes both commercial and residential ratepayers who may be experiencing financial hardship.

Our package also supports some of Yarra's more vulnerable community members by:

- expanding our family violence outreach services to meet a growing demand during COVID-19
- working with local charities and organisations to provide emergency food relief packages to people in need
- boosting our delivered meals program to ensure clients continue to receive healthy and balanced meals.

You can read more about the support available to you at yarracity.vic.gov.au/ covidsupport

Other important priorities

We're absolutely committed to delivering the services that all Yarra residents and ratepayers rely on.

Our proposed budget will ensure you'll continue to see Yarra's parks, facilities and drains well-maintained, and dedicated services for our older residents, families and young people will continue as always.

The effects of COVID-19 have meant we've had to revisit some of our strategic priorities this year.

While we're still continuing with Yarra's climate education and community engagement programs, we've had to delay some of our larger climate-related capital works programs.

We're also pausing the roll out of our new four-bin waste and recycling service until we fully understand the economic impact of COVID-19.

We acknowledge the significant support you have for these projects, and will consider them in our mid-year budget review for delivery as soon as financially possible.

Your rates

To keep delivering essential services and projects, average rates will increase by 2% this year, in line with the Victorian Government's rate cap.

Pensioner rebate

We continue to support Yarra's older residents with an additional rate rebate for pensioners of \$190.90 for 2020/21.

DELIVERING PROJECTS THAT MATTER TO YOU

While COVID-19 has greatly impacted our proposed budget, you'll still see a range of significant improvements across Yarra this year.



to complete the pavilion and public toilet redevelopment at Ryan's Reserve

\$500,000

to progress planning and design of the Brunswick Street Oval Precinct



\$1.2m

for upgrades to Richmond Kindergarten



\$9.23m

to renew our footpaths and roads and keep pedestrians and motorists safe



\$800,000

for a new 1.2 million litre rainwater storage tank at Edinburgh Gardens

\$845,000

to reconstruct some of Yarra's much-loved bluestone laneways

\$8.08m

to bring important community facilities up to modern and safe standards, including \$2m for the new Jack Dyer Pavilion at Citizens Park



\$620,000

in new library resources to educate and inspire residents of all ages



\$555,000

for improvements at Clifton Hill's Darling Gardens

\$135,000

for a new park at Reid Street. Fitzrov North

INFORMATION IN YOUR LANGUAGE

亚拉市2020/21年预算草案

我们邀请您对亚拉市2020/21年度预算草案发表意见。

我们为制定预算草案做了许多工作,以继续为社区提供所需的基本服务,同时为您提供支持,以平安度过新冠病毒 (COVID-19) 疫期。

预算草案资金项目将帮助我们的社区平安度过新冠病毒 (COVID-19)疫期,改善亚拉市的部分地区并提供基本 服务。

您可以在以下链接查看预算草案并正式提交意见 yarracity. vic.gov.au/budget2021。您也可以致电9205 5555来 索取纸质版本或问问题。

Ngân sách được đề nghị cho năm 2020/21 của Thành phố Yarra

Kính mời tất cả quý cư dân đóng góp ý kiến về ngân sách được đề nghị cho năm 2020/21 của Thành phố Yarra.

Chúng tôi đã cố gắng hết sức để soạn thảo bản ngân sách được đề nghị tiếp tục cung cấp các dịch vụ thiết yếu mà cộng đồng chúng ta cần đồng thời trợ giúp cho quý vị vượt qua cơn đại dịch (COVID-19).

Ngân sách được đề nghị sẽ tài trợ cho các dự án giúp cộng đồng vượt qua đại dịch COVID-19, cải thiện các phần của Thành phố và cung cấp các dịch vụ thiết yếu.

Quý vị có thể xem bản ngân sách được đề nghị và gửi bản đệ nạp chính thức tại yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021. Quý vị cũng có thể xin một bản in hay nêu thắc mắc với chúng tôi bằng cách gọi số 9205 5555.

Yarra bütçe teklifi 2020/21

Yarra'nın 2020/21 bütçe teklifi hakkında görüşlerinizi öğrenmek istiyoruz.

Bir yandan koronavirüs (COVID-19) sürecinde size destek sağlarken toplumumuzun ihtiyaç duyduğu temel hizmetleri sunmaya devam edecek bir bütçe teklifi üzerinde çok çalıştık.

Toplumumuzun COVID-19'u başarıyla atlatmasına yardım etmek, Kentimizin unsurlarını geliştirmek ve temel hizmetleri sunmak için bütçe teklifinde projelere maddi kaynak sağlıyoruz.

yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021 adresinde bütçe teklifini görebilir ve formel bir teklifte bulunabilirsiniz. 9205 5555'ten bizi arayarak basılı kopyasını isteyebilir veya sorularınızı sorabilirsiniz.

Ο προτεινόμενος προϋπολογισμός 2020 του Δήμου του Yarra

Σας προσκαλούμε να εκφράσετε τη γνώμη σας σχετικά με τον προτεινόμενο προϋπολογισμό του Δήμου του Yarra για το 2020/21.

Εργαστήκαμε σκληρά για να αναπτύξουμε έναν προτεινόμενο προϋπολογισμό που θα συνεχίζει να παρέχει τις βασικές υπηρεσίες που χρειάζεται η κοινότητά μας, ενώ σας υποστηρίζει επίσης μέσω της περιόδου του κοροναϊού (COVID-19).

Ο προτεινόμενος προϋπολογισμός χρηματοδοτεί έργα για να βοηθήσει την κοινότητά μας μέσω της περιόδου του COVID-19, να βελτιώσει τμήματα της πόλης μας και να προσφέρει βασικές υπηρεσίες.

Μπορείτε να δείτε τον προτεινόμενο προϋπολογισμό και να υποβάλετε μια επίσημη υποβολή σχολίων στον ιστότοπο yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021. Μπορείτε επίσης να ζητήσετε ένα έντυπο αντίγραφο ή να μας κάνετε ερωτήσεις καλώντας τον αριθμό 9205 5555.

Bilancio 2020/21 proposto dal Comune di Yarra

Siete invitati a dire la vostra sul bilancio 2020/21 proposto dal Comune di Yarra.

Abbiamo lavorato duro per sviluppare un progetto di bilancio che continua a fornire i servizi essenziali di cui la nostra comunità ha bisogno e allo stesso tempo darvi anche supporto in questo difficile periodo del coronavirus (COVID-19).

Il bilancio proposto serve per finanziare progetti che aiutano la nostra comunità ad affrontare questo periodo del COVID-19, migliorare parti della nostra Città e offrire servizi essenziali.

È possibile visualizzare il bilancio proposto e inoltrare una presentazione ufficiale al yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021. Potrete anche richiedere una copia cartacea o farci domande chiamando il 9205 5555.

ميزانية يارا المقترحة لعام ٢١/٢٠٢٠

أنت مدعو للمشاركة برأيك في ميزانية يارا المقترحة لعام ٢١/٢٠٢٠.

لقد عملنا بجد لوضع ميزانية مقترحة تستمر في تقديم الخدمات الأساسية التي يحتاجها مجتمعنا، وفي نفس الوقت تقدم الدعم للأشخاص خلال فترة تفشي فيروس كورونا (covid-19).

تهدف الميزانية المقترحة لتمويل مشاريع لمساعدة مجتمعنا خلال فترة COVID-19، ولتحسين بعض أجزاء مدينتنا وتقديم الخدمات الأساسة.

يمكنك الاطلاع على الميزانية المقترحة وإبداء رأيك بشكل رسمي على الموقع yarracity.vic.gov.au/budget2021. يمكنك أيضًا طلب نسخة مطبوعة أو طرح أسئلة علينا عن طريق الاتصال بالرقم 9205 5555

YARRA CITY COUNCIL

PO Box 168, Richmond VIC 3121 T 9205 5555 E info@yarracity.vic.gov.au W yarracity.vic.gov.au **ON THE COVER:** Yarra Libraries is working with community organisations Open Table and cohealth to provide food packages to people in need.

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