

PUBLIC HEARING  
Surry County, Virginia  
Proposed FY26 Budget

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FY26 PROPOSED SURRY COUNTY BUDGET

Expenditures:	FY26 Proposed	FY25 Adopted	\$ Inc./Dec.	% Inc./Dec.
<b>General Fund:</b>				
General & Financial Administration	\$4,696,831	\$3,996,194	\$700,637	17.5%
Judicial Administration	927,995	904,002	23,993	2.7%
Public Safety	5,698,224	5,275,476	422,748	8.0%
Public Works	1,747,616	1,722,704	24,912	1.4%
Other Agencies	383,452	357,874	25,578	7.1%
Parks, Recreation & Cultural	924,696	706,095	218,601	31.0%
Community Development	1,794,665	1,825,830	-31,165	-1.7%
Revenue Stabilization	1,071,343	0	1,071,343	N/A
Transfers to Schools	13,855,766	13,407,757	448,009	3.3%
Transfers to Other Funds	5,689,900	4,389,754	1,300,146	29.6%
Sub-Total, General Fund	\$36,790,488	\$32,585,686	\$4,204,802	12.9%
<b>Other Funds:</b>				
Debt Service Fund	\$2,305,167	\$2,295,026	\$10,141	0.4%
Virginia Public Assistance Fund	1,986,526	1,967,022	19,504	1.0%
Comprehensive Services Fund	577,772	666,665	-88,893	-13.3%
School Fund (including Cafeteria Fund)	19,029,077	18,225,601	803,476	4.4%
Sheriff's DEA Task Force	25,000	25,000	0	0.0%
Special Welfare Fund	50,800	40,973	9,827	24.0%
Area Agency on Aging Fund	50,504	32,288	18,216	56.4%
Economic Development Fund	127,667	80,000	47,667	59.6%
Utilities Fund	\$100,000	\$92,640	\$7,360	7.9%
Sub-Total, Other Funds	24,252,513	23,425,215	827,298	3.5%
Total, All Funds	\$61,043,001	\$56,010,901	\$5,032,100	9.0%

FY26 PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET

<b>Proposed Projects:</b>	
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION</b>	
Technology Improvements	\$50,000
Records Retention	\$56,000
Tax Management/ERP	\$299,500
<b>Total General Administration</b>	<b>\$405,500</b>
<b>FACILITY MAINTENANCE</b>	
Refrigerated Truck (DSS)	\$77,000
Major Infrastructure Repair	\$100,000
Security Access Control System	\$125,005
Surry Fire Station Upgrades	\$130,000
District Court Vertical File System	\$59,000
Clerk of Court Fireproof Vault Upgrades	\$115,000
<b>Total Facility Maintenance</b>	<b>\$666,068</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	
Sheriff vehicles (3)	\$148,000
Body Worn Cameras	\$21,459
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>\$169,459</b>
<b>COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENTS</b>	
Water Master Plan	69,064
Regional Water Master Study	15, 936
<b>Total Community Development</b>	<b>85,000</b>
<b>EDUCATION</b>	
Transportation & Maintenance	\$135,000
<b>TOTAL Education</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL PROJECTS</b>	<b>\$1,400,964</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>	
Local Revenue	
Local Revenue (3 cents tax rate equivalent)	\$1,152,027
Other Local Revenue	248,937
Total Revenue	\$1,400,964
<b>TOTAL REVENUE SOURCES</b>	<b>\$1,400,964</b>

FY 2025-26 PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATES

Real Estate, including Mobile Homes*	\$0.71/\$100 of assessed value (no change)
Personal Property – Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles*	\$3.75/\$100 of assessed value (reduction \$0.25)
Personal Property - Boats & Business Property*	\$3.75/\$100 of assessed value (reduction \$0.25)
Passenger Buses	\$3.00/\$100 of assessed value (no change)
Personal Property Tax Relief Percentage	31.0% (no change)
Machinery & Tools	\$1.00/\$100 of assessed value (no change)
Contract Carriers	\$1.00/\$100 of assessed value (no change)
*Rates were adopted on April 10, 2025	

FY 2025-26 PROPOSED FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX RATE

Food and Beverage Tax	6% of amount charged for food and beverages (no change)
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FY 2025-26 PROPOSED APPLICATION FEE CHANGES

Application/Fee Name	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Zoning Application	\$35	\$50
Sign Permit	\$35	\$50
Land Disturbance Permit (≤ 5 acres)	\$150	\$300
Land Disturbance Permit (> 5 acres)	\$300 +\$10/acre	\$600 + \$20/acre
Conditional Use Permit (Agricultural or Residential)	\$300	\$500
Conditional Use Permit (Commercial)	\$500	\$700
Conditional Use Permit (Industrial)	\$1,000	\$1,500
Wetlands Permit	\$300	REMOVE
Wetlands Permit (Non Commercial/ Non Industrial)*	N/A	\$400
Wetlands Permit (Commercial/Industrial)*	N/A	\$750
Board of Historical and Architectural Review*	N/A	\$400
Administrative Appeal	\$300	\$750
Variance	\$300	\$600
Administrative Variance	\$300	\$300
Special Exception	\$300	\$600
Rezoning	\$500	\$1,500
Rezoning (Conditional)	\$1,000	\$1,500
Zoning Text Amendment	\$500	\$1,500
Comprehensive Plan Amendment	\$500	\$1,500
15.2-2232 Substantially in Accord Review	\$300	\$1,500
Site Plan Review	\$300 + \$10/acre	\$500 + \$30/acre
Site Plan Review (Simplified Plan)*	N/A	\$250
Resubmittal for Preliminary and Final Site Plan after 2 submittals, for each occurrence*	N/A	\$250
Amendment to an Approved Site Plan*	N/A	\$250
Technical Review/Fee (Solar Projects/Solar Farm )	\$2,500	N/A
Technical Review Fee (Renewable Energy Projects)*	N/A	\$5,000
Zoning Advertisement Fee (Reimbursement of Costs)	Cost of Ad	Cost of Ad
Plat of Survey/Boundary Line Adjustment	\$25	\$50
Subdivision Plats (1-5 lots)	\$150 + 25/lot	\$250
Subdivision Plats (≥ 6 lots)	\$300 + 25/lot	\$350 + \$30/lot
Surety Administrative Review (New or Renewal)	\$100	\$250
Zoning Map Interpretation	\$25	\$25
Zoning Certification & Compliance Letter	\$100	\$100
Agreement in Lieu of an E&SC Plan	\$50	\$50
E&SC Inspections (Single Family Home and/or ≤ 5 acres)	\$300	\$300
E&SC Inspections (> 5 acres)	\$300 + \$10/acre	\$500 + \$50/acre
E-911 Address Assignment	\$25	\$75
Chesapeake Bay Preservation Exception*	N/A	\$1,500
Resource Protection Area Buffer Modification Application*	N/A	\$50
FEMA elevation certificate Review or Floodplain Development Permit Review*	N/A	\$50
Water Quality Impact Assessment (WQIA Major/Minor)*	N/A	\$500
Continuance Fee for Public Hearings at Applicants Request*N/A		\$400
<b>Recommendation from Removal in Fee Schedule</b>		
Land Development Ordinance (Hard Copy)	\$50	REMOVE
Subdivision Ordinance (Hard Copy)	\$25	REMOVE
Comprehensive Plan (Hard Copy)	\$35	REMOVE
Zoning Map (Hard Copy)	\$10	REMOVE
County Map Sheet (Hard Copy)	\$10	REMOVE
County Street Map (Hard Copy)	\$10	REMOVE
*Denotes New Fee		

A copy of the proposed budget, proposed fee increases and the Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan is available in the Office of the County Administrator at the Surry County Government Center, 45 School Street, Surry, Virginia 23883, for public review and inspection between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm daily. Public comment is invited and welcomed. If you need assistance or accommodations in order to participate in the hearing, please call the County Administrator's Office at least 72 hours before the hearing.

By Order Of: Melissa D. Rollins, County Administrator