

Introduced by: Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier
Date of introduction: April 14, 2020

ORDINANCE NO. 20-034

**ADOPT THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020**

WHEREAS, County Council has adopted revenue measures which together with any reserves and available cash balances shall, in the opinion of the County Executive, be estimated to yield sums at least sufficient to balance the proposed expenditures as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. County Council hereby ordains that the taxes and other revenue measures which the County Executive has certified as yielding sufficient revenue, together with any reserves and available cash balances, serve to balance the Annual Operating Budget of New Castle County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

Section 2. Exhibit "A," entitled "Departmental Operating Budget," consisting of six (6) pages, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is adopted as the Annual Operating Budget of Appropriations to the respective departments, offices, reserves and services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

Section 3. Exhibit "B," entitled "Operating Budget Components," consisting of one (1) page, attached hereto and made a part hereof, representing the component budgets encompassed by the "Departmental Operating Budget" for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

Section 4. As the County Council has done in all past years, by and through the budget hearing, review, and adoption process undertaken for the FY2021 budget, the County Council hereby confirms its review and approves the schedule of fees established by the Department of Land Use set forth in, *inter alia*, Appendix 2 of Chapter 40 of the *New Castle County Code* ("the UDC"). The County Council also confirms and clarifies that through the budget hearing, review, and adoption process, it has reviewed and approved the schedule of fees established by the Department of Land Use in all prior budget years, and the County hereby confirms, clarifies, and ratifies its previous approvals of the fee schedules heretofore established by the Department of Land Use.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided by 9 *Del. C.* § 1156.

Section 6. The effective date for the provisions in this Ordinance shall be July 1, 2020.

Adopted by Council of
New Castle County on: 5/26/20


President of Council
of New Castle County

Approved on: *May 27, 2020*



County Executive
New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: This Ordinance authorizes the Annual Operating Budget of New Castle County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.

Exhibit "A" provides a summary of appropriations to departments, row offices, reserves and non-departmental operating budgets.

Exhibit "B" provides the component budgets (i.e. General Operating, Local Service Function, Sewer, Crossing Guard and Street Lighting) encompassed by Exhibit "A."

FISCAL NOTE: This Ordinance embodies, by detailed appropriation, by object of expenditure for each department and office (Exhibit "A") as required by State Law, and, by component budgets supported by various revenue measures (Exhibit "B"), the County's Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2021.

The fiscal impact of this Ordinance is the authorization to expend \$303,482,900 in Fiscal Year 2021 and to legislate the amounts within New Castle County's reserve accounts.

This Ordinance has no explicit impact on subsequent fiscal years, as the Operating Budget is legislated annually by County Council.

EXHIBIT "A"

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATING BUDGET

COUNTY COUNCIL

| | | | |
|---|-----------|----|------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 2,157,874 |
| Benefits | | | 1,275,131 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 85,888 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 23,308 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 64,834 |
| Contractual Services | | | 209,720 |
| Equipment | | | 1,600 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 307,372 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 126,011 |
| Total | | \$ | 4,251,738 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 35 | | |

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

| | | | |
|---|-----------|----|------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 1,427,674 |
| Benefits | | | 843,641 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 38,904 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 17,904 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 22,236 |
| Contractual Services | | | 84,991 |
| Equipment | | | 1,000 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 40,000 |
| Contingency | | | 55,000 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 67,499 |
| Total | | \$ | 2,598,849 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 14 | | |

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

| | | | |
|---|------------|----|-------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 10,966,314 |
| Benefits | | | 6,398,893 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 121,711 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 6,414,883 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 156,247 |
| Contractual Services | | | 5,889,435 |
| Equipment | | | 281,900 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 4,774,000 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 950,905 |
| Intragovernmental Service Credits | | | (12,283,930) |
| Total | | \$ | 23,670,358 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 149 | | |

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

| | | | |
|---|------------|----|-------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 22,786,936 |
| Benefits | | | 13,395,934 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 45,945 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 24,769,152 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 4,267,985 |
| Contractual Services | | | 8,518,193 |
| Equipment | | | 801,308 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 1,193,757 |
| Land and Structures | | | 5,000 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 4,212,629 |
| Intragovernmental Service Credits | | | (7,125,794) |
| Total | | \$ | 72,871,045 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 378 | | |

DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE

| | | | |
|---|------------|----|-------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 7,980,446 |
| Benefits | | | 4,690,473 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 68,115 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 107,934 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 226,627 |
| Contractual Services | | | 1,440,748 |
| Equipment | | | 52,775 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 31,500 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 922,559 |
| Intragovernmental Service Credits | | | (567,783) |
| Total | | \$ | 14,953,394 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 116 | | |

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

| | | | |
|---|------------|----|-------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 10,191,892 |
| Benefits | | | 4,764,234 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 18,560 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 929,732 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 1,291,763 |
| Contractual Services | | | 2,004,756 |
| Equipment | | | 17,900 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 2,878,396 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 1,192,840 |
| Intragovernmental Service Credits | | | (182,000) |
| Total | | \$ | 23,108,073 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 155 | | |

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

| | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 58,936,547 |
| Benefits | | | 34,431,070 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 156,005 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 906,612 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 1,165,202 |
| Contractual Services | | | 2,032,143 |
| Equipment | | | 916,012 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 6,148,039 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 7,208,926 |
| Total | | \$ | 111,900,556 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 685 | | |

PROTHONOTARY

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|---|----------|-----------|---------------|
| Benefits | | \$ | 22,037 |
| Total | | \$ | 22,037 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 0 | | |

REGISTER IN CHANCERY

| | | | |
|---|----------|-----------|----------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 177,959 |
| Benefits | | | 105,159 |
| Total | | \$ | 283,118 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 3 | | |

REGISTER OF WILLS

| | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 1,053,207 |
| Benefits | | | 613,796 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 35,150 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 11,194 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 10,274 |
| Contractual Services | | | 14,770 |
| Equipment | | | 1,950 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 70,470 |
| Total | | \$ | 1,810,811 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 19 | | |

RECORDER OF DEEDS

| | | | |
|---|-----------|----|------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 1,225,350 |
| Benefits | | | 712,190 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 43,390 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 30,716 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 12,898 |
| Contractual Services | | | 81,226 |
| Equipment | | | 8,000 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 15,000 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 151,460 |
| Total | | \$ | 2,280,230 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 24 | | |

SHERIFF

| | | | |
|---|-----------|----|------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 1,169,052 |
| Benefits | | | 687,113 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 29,452 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 17,834 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 20,684 |
| Contractual Services | | | 56,148 |
| Equipment | | | 5,000 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 156,696 |
| Total | | \$ | 2,141,979 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 21 | | |

CLERK OF THE PEACE

| | | | |
|---|----------|----|----------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 448,988 |
| Benefits | | | 265,317 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 14,130 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 3,977 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 5,424 |
| Contractual Services | | | 22,003 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 28,661 |
| Total | | \$ | 788,500 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 7 | | |

DEBT SERVICE

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|---|--|----|-------------------|
| Debt Service | | \$ | 44,928,600 |
| Total | | \$ | 44,928,600 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | | | |

ETHICS COMMISSION

| | | | |
|---|----------|----|----------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 38,000 |
| Benefits | | | 4,372 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 9,300 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 3,572 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 2,450 |
| Contractual Services | | | 300,616 |
| Equipment | | | 500 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 6,215 |
| Total | | \$ | 365,025 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | 0 | | |

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY

| | | | |
|---|--|----|----------------|
| Contingency | | \$ | 250,000 |
| Total | | \$ | 250,000 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | | | |

EXECUTIVE CONTINGENCY

| | | | |
|---|--|----|----------------|
| Contingency | | \$ | 400,000 |
| Total | | \$ | 400,000 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | | | |

PERSONNEL CONTINGENCY

| | | | |
|---|--|----|----------------|
| Contingency | | \$ | 455,000 |
| Total | | \$ | 455,000 |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | | | |

ATTRITION CONTINGENCY

| | | | |
|---|--|----|--------------------|
| Personal Services - Salaries and Wages | | \$ | (2,941,618) |
| Personal Services - Employee Benefits | | \$ | (1,738,273) |
| Total | | \$ | (4,679,891) |
| Total Authorized Full-Time Positions | | | |

ONE-TIME CONTINGENCY

| | | | |
|--------------|--|----|------------------|
| Contingency | | \$ | 1,083,478 |
| Total | | \$ | 1,083,478 |

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

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|--|--------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Salaries and Wages | | \$ | 115,618,621 |
| Benefits | | | 66,471,087 |
| Training and Civic Affairs | | | 666,550 |
| Communication and Utilities | | | 33,236,818 |
| Materials and Supplies | | | 7,246,624 |
| Contractual Services | | | 20,654,749 |
| Equipment | | | 2,087,945 |
| Grants and Fixed Charges | | | 15,388,064 |
| Debt Service | | | 44,928,600 |
| Land and Structures | | | 5,000 |
| Contingency | | | 2,243,478 |
| Intragovernmental Service Charges | | | 15,094,871 |
| Intragovernmental Service Credits | | | (20,159,507) |
| <i>Sub-Total New Castle County</i> | | \$ | 303,482,900 |
| <i>Total Authorized Full-Time Positions</i> | 1,606 | | |

RESERVE ACCOUNTS AS OF MARCH 31, 2020

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|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Tax Stabilization Reserve Account | | | 34,622,526 |
| Sewer Rate Stabilization Reserve Account | | | 16,555,980 |
| General Fund Budget Reserve Account | | | 42,086,083 |
| Sewer Fund Budget Reserve Account | | | 16,432,618 |
| <i>Total Reserves:</i> | | | 109,697,207 |

EXHIBIT "B"

**OPERATING BUDGET COMPONENTS
FISCAL YEAR 2021**

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| General Operating Budget | \$90,918,747 |
| Local Service Function Budget | 118,136,790 |
| Sewer Fund | 84,329,882 |
| Street Light Fund | 6,429,302 |
| Crossing Guard Fund | 3,668,179 |
| Recommended Operating Budget | \$303,482,900 |