



City of Bessemer City

2016-2017 Budget Ordinance

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Bessemer City, North Carolina:

Section 1. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the General Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017.

Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 1,383,000
Prior Year Taxes	25,000
Auto Tag Fees	125,000
Gross Rental Vehicle Tax	500
Penalties & Interest	16,500
Sales Tax	660,000
State Board Assessed	38,000
Cable Franchise Tax	30,000
Solid Waste Disposal Tax	2,500
Beer & Wine Tax	25,000
Franchise Tax	425,000
PD Fees for Services	500
PD - Grants	70,000
Fire Department Grant	11,000
Rent- Land	1,100
Landfill Fees	280,000
Recycling Fees	80,000
Grave Opening/Closing	20,000
Cemetery Lot Sales	6,000
Grant - Kiser Center	3,800
Senior Events	500
Investment Earnings	3,000
Down Home Festival	38,000
Parks & Recreation Fees	15,000
Swimming Pool Fees	84,000
Zoning Permits & Fees	3,000
Code Enforcement & Civil Citations	1,000
Insurance Proceeds	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	5,000
Fund Balance Apportionment	0
Administrative Charges - Enterprise Funds	605,000
	\$ 3,957,400

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Section 2. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Governing Body & Legal	\$ 46,721
Administration & Finance	783,602
Police Department	887,029
Fire Department	115,390
Garage Operations	98,427
Public Works Department	232,500
Sanitation Department	368,500
Planning & Zoning	234,773
Economic Development	147,962
Debt Service	404,251
Recreation Department	443,463
Parks & Gym	38,000
Pool	118,085
Cemetery	38,697
	<u>3,957,400</u>
	\$ 3,957,400

Section 3. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Water Sales	2,023,862
Sewer Sales	1,723,060
Tap Fees	1,000
Reconnect Fees	9,500
Pulled Water Meter Fee	0
Penalties	25,000
Investment Earnings	0
Miscellaneous	63,000
Fund Balance	16,395
	<u>3,861,817</u>
	\$ 3,861,817

Section 4. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Debt Service	\$ 158,614
Administration	302,500
Water/Wastewater Treatment	2,362,338
Public Works	859,365
New Line Construction	179,000
Capital Project	0
	<u>3,861,817</u>
	\$ 3,861,817

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Section 5. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Sales of Gas	\$ 1,272,000
Cut-ons & Reconnects & Extension	1,500
Penalties	25,000
Miscellaneous	1,500
Interest	0
Fund Balance	<u>45,122</u>
	\$ 1,345,122

Section 6. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Debt Service	\$ 18,697
Administration	302,500
Gas Operations	<u>1,023,925</u>
	\$ 1,345,122

Section 7. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the StormWater Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Storm Water Charges	\$ 65,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>0</u>
	\$ 65,000

Section 8. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the StormWater Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Storm Water Operations	\$ 65,000
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Section 9. The following revenues are expected to be available to the Cemetery Trust Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ <u> 0</u>
	\$ 0

Section 10. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Cemetery Trust Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Transfer to General Fund	\$ <u> 0</u>
	\$ 0

Section 11. The following revenues are expected to be available in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017

State Powell Bill Allocation	\$ <u> 186,000</u>
	\$ 186,000

Section 12. The following amount is hereby appropriated in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in accordance with the established chart of accounts.

Street Operations	\$ 186,000
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Section 13. There is hereby levied a tax rate of forty-five (\$.45) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property taxes as of January 1, 2015 for the purpose of raising the revenue listed 'Ad Valorem Taxes' in the General Fund. This rate is on a total valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$313,442,907 and an estimated rate of collection of 97%. The estimated rate of collection is based off of the fiscal 2015-2016 collection rate of 97%. The motor vehicle tag fee per G.S. 20.97 is set at \$10 per vehicle.

Section 14. A fee of \$10.50 per month per roll-out cart (residential, commercial or industrial) within the City when the City provides garbage/trash collection service shall be charged and collected as an addition to the utility bill for the purpose of Landfill and Disposal fees.

Section 15. A fee of \$3.50 per month per roll-out cart within the City when the City provides Recycling Collection service shall be charged and collected as an addition to the utility bill for the purpose of Disposal fees.

Section 16. A fee of \$10.00 per month per residential/apartment unit within the City shall be charged and collected as an additional fee for bulk item, brush, and debris pickup if a solid waste and/or recycling fee is not charged.

Section 17. A fee for Stormwater Management shall be charged and collected as an addition to the utility bill as follows: Residential - \$2.07 / month , Commercial - \$5.00 / month, Industrial - \$10.00 / month.

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Section 18. Water & Sewer Rates shall be charged as follows for meter readings on or after July 1, 2016.

Water:	\$9.25 Minimum per month for 2,000 gallons	\$5.65 per 1,000 gallons over 2,000 gallons		
	The rate for customers outside the city limits of Bessemer City are double the above amounts.			
	Desposits: \$100/150/300	Reconnect: \$30	Broken Lock: \$200	Meter Tampering: \$500
	Administrative Fee: \$40	Illegal Turn on: \$100	Meter Reset: \$100	
	Cut-off List Admin Fee: \$15	After Hours Reconnect Fee: \$100		
	Tap Fees: 3/4" - \$450*; 1" - \$500*; 1-1/2" - \$550*; 2" - \$600*			*plus meter cost
	Raw Water: \$.60 per 1,000 gallons			
	Development Fees:	Residential: \$350.00 per Bedroom (100 Gallons x \$3.50/gal)		
		Commercial: \$350.00		
		Industrial: \$500.00		
Sewer:	\$12.60 Minimum per month for 2,000 gallons water metered			
	\$9.65 per 1,000 gallons over 2,000 gallons of water metered up to 1 million gallons			
	\$5.45 per 1,000 gallons for >= 1 million gallons of water metered			
	\$15.00 Inside customers connected to sewer but not water			
	\$19.80 Inside customers not connected to water or sewer			
	Tap Fees: 4" - \$500; 6" - \$600			
	The rate for customers outside the city limits of Bessemer City are double the above amounts.			
	Development Fees:	Residential: \$450.00 per Bedroom (100 Gallons x \$4.50/gal)		
		Commercial: \$450.00		
		Industrial: \$500.00		

The availability charge for customers not connected to water or sewer shall be the minimum charge for that service.
Meter Checks: One free per year. Defective meter replaced free of charge. Non-defective meters will result in a charge of \$25 + cost of testing.

Section 19. Natural Gas and Other Fees shall be charged as follows after July 1, 2016.

Gas:	Tap Fees:		
	The home must be plumbed and inspected by County Inspector & City Gas Employees prior prior to City's installation of riser and City portion of gas line to home.		
	Gas Deposit: \$150/225/300	Gas Reconnect: \$35	Summer Final: \$75
	Cut-off List Admin Fee: \$15	After Hours Reconnect Fee: \$70	Administrative Fee: \$40
	Minimum Availability Fees:	Residential: \$8.70	
		Small Commerical: \$9.10	
		Industrial - Firm: \$200.00	
		Industrial - Interruptible: \$400.00	

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Planning & Zoning Fees:

Board of Adjustments:

Variance Request	\$	150	Appeal	\$	150
Conditional Use Permit	\$	150	Special Exception	\$	150

Planning & Zoning Board:

Zoning Map Amendment (Rezoning)	\$	250	Text Amendment (Rezoning)	\$	250
Zoning Fees: New Single Family	\$	100	New Multi Family	\$100 + \$5/Unit	
Additions	\$20-\$50		Accessory	\$	40
Zoning Verification	\$	25			
Non-Residential: Up to 5,000 sq.ft.	\$	100	5,001-10,000 sq.ft.	\$	200
Non-Residential over 10,000 sq.ft.				\$200 + \$1/1,000 sq.ft.	
Subdivision Plat: Minor	\$	50	Major	\$50 + \$2/lot	
Recombination Plat:	\$	50	Sign Permit:	\$	50
Accessory (no building permit)	\$	40	Accessory (building permit)	\$	50
Other Permits:					
Zoning Certificate of Compliance	\$	50	Home Occupation	\$	50
Temporary Use	\$	20	Demolition Permit	\$	25
Telecommunication Tower: New	\$	200	Co-Location	\$	100

Cemetery Fees: Lots - \$500 Grave Opening: \$260-\$525 as per Cemetery Ordinance*
 Holiday, After 4:00pm, Short Notice & Rock Removal will incur additional charges.

Return Check Fee:	\$25	Administrative Fee for Utility Cut-offs:	\$15.00
Copies of Public Records Per Page:	B&W up to 8-1/2 x 14		\$0.10
	Color up to 8-1/2 x 14 & B&W Ledger		\$0.15
	Color Ledger		\$0.20

Section 20. All other fees for service, surcharges, etc. previously established by Council shall remain the same unless adjusted at some future date. All billing not paid on the due date is subject to a 10% late penalty.

Section 21. The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund as contained herein as follows:

- a. He may transfer amounts between object of expenditure within a department as defined by Ordinance without limitations.
- b. He may transfer amounts up to \$7,500 between departments as defined by Ordinance of the same fund with report on such transfers at the next regular Council meeting.

Section 22. Copies of the Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to all Department Heads for guidance in the disbursements of funds. A copy shall always be available for public inspection in the Clerk's office.

ADOPTED THIS THE 13TH DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

ATTEST:

 Becky S. Smith, Mayor

 Joshua M. Ross, City Clerk