



2019-2020 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, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020:

Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	1,630,000
Prior Year Taxes		15,000
Auto Tag Fee		180,000
Gross Rental Vehicle Tax		500
Penalties & Interest		10,000
Sales Tax		612,000
State Board Assessed		42,000
Solid Waste Disposal Tax		3,500
Beer & Wine Tax		23,000
Franchise Tax		450,000
PD Fees for Services		500
Confiscated Drug Money		500
PD – Grants		110,000
Fire Department Grants		48,000
Rent- Land		1,100
Landfill Fees		310,367
Recycling Fees		92,000
Grave Opening/Closing		20,000
Cemetery Lot Sales		1,000
Costner Building Grant		50,000
Grant - Kiser Center		5,000
ABC Revenue		5,000
Senior Events		8,000
Investment Earnings		40,000
Down Home Festival		50,000
Parks & Recreation Fees		14,000
Swimming Pool Fees		84,000
Zoning Permits & Fees		5,000
Code Enforcement & Civil Citations		500

Insurance Proceeds	2,500
Transfer From Cemetery Fund	24,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	100,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	39,337
Administrative Charges - Enterprise Funds	800,000
Sale of Property	5,000
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	\$ 4,781,804

Section 2. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Governing Body & Legal	\$ 55,500
Administration & Finance	1,020,293
Police Department	1,432,898
Fire Department	127,020
Garage Operations	102,805
Public Works Department	295,700
Sanitation Department	319,067
Planning & Zoning	168,918
Economic Development	203,351
Debt Service	277,127
Recreation Department	588,647
Parks & Gym	33,750
Pool	96,228
Cemetery	60,500
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	\$ 4,781,804

Section 3. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

Water Sales	\$ 2,163,000
Sewer Sales	1,942,500
Tap Fees	12,000
Reconnect Fees	17,000
Pulled Water Meter Fee	0
Penalties	40,000
Investment Earnings	500
Miscellaneous	60,000
Administrative Fee	15,000
Fund Balance	59,854
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	\$ 4,309,854

Section 4. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	267,901
Administration		500,000
Water/Wastewater Treatment		2,224,951
Public Works		1,140,583
New Line Construction		176,419
Capital Project		0
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	\$	4,309,854

Section 5. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

Sales of Gas	\$	1,285,000
Cut-ons & Reconnects & Extension		2,200
Penalties		35,000
Miscellaneous		1,000
Interest		0
Fund Balance		0
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	\$	1,323,200

Section 6. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	70,030
Administration		300,000
Gas Operations		953,170
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	\$	1,323,200

Section 7. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Storm Water Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

Storm Water Charges	\$	98,500
Appropriated Fund Balance		10,241
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	\$	108,741

Section 8. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Storm Water Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	35,441
Operations		73,300
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	\$	108,741

Section 9. The following revenues are expected to be available to the Cemetery Trust Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

Fund Balance Appropriated	\$	24,000
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	\$	24,000

Section 10. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Cemetery Trust Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Transfer to General Fund	\$	24,000
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	\$	24,000

Section 11. The following revenues are expected to be available in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

State Powell Bill Allocation	\$	195,313
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	\$	195,313

Section 12. The following amount is hereby appropriated in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	100,814
Street Operations		94,499
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	\$	195,313

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, 2019 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 \$366,554,763 and an estimated rate of collection of 97%. The estimated rate of collection is based off of the fiscal 2018-2019 collection rate of 97%. The motor vehicle tag fee per G.S. 20.97 is set at \$20 per vehicle.

Section 14. A fee of \$11.00 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 \$10.00 per month per roll-out can (commercial only) within the City when the City provides garbage/trash collection services shall be charged and collected for twice-weekly collection as an addition to the utility bill for the purpose of Landfill and disposal fees.

Section 16. A fee of \$22.00 per month per roll-out can shall be charged for non-recycling customers.

Section 17. A fee of \$4.00 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 18. 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 19. A fee for Storm Water Management shall be charged and collected as an addition to the utility bill as follows: Residential - \$3.07 / month , Commercial - \$6.00 / month, Industrial - \$12.00 / month.

Section 20. Water and Sewer rates shall be charged as follows for meter readings on or after July 1, 2019:

Water: \$10.75 minimum per month for 2,000 gallons (treated water)
\$6.60 per 1,000 gallons over 2,000 gallons (treated water)
\$.90 per 1,000 gallons (raw water)
The rates for customers outside of the City limits are double the above amount

Deposits	\$100/150/300
Reconnect	\$35
Broken Lock	\$300
Meter Tampering	\$500
Administrative Fee	\$40
Illegal Turn On	\$150
Meter Reset	\$150

Tap Fee Schedule*

¾ Inch Line:	\$1,500
1 Inch Line:	\$1,550
1 ½ Inch Line:	\$1,600
2 Inch Line:	\$1,650

**plus cost of meter*

Sewer: \$14.60 minimum per month for 2,000 gallons
\$11.20 per 1,000 gallons over 2,000 gallons
\$6.30 per 1,000 gallons over 1,000,000 gallons
The rates for customers outside of the City limits are double the above amount

Tap Fee Schedule

4 Inch:	\$1,850
6 Inch:	\$1,950

The availability charge for customers not connected to water or sewer shall be a minimum charge for that service.

Availability Fee:
\$14.60 inside customers connected to sewer but not water
\$25.35 inside customers not connected to water or sewer

Meters:

Meter Check: One free per year.
Defective meters replaced free of charge.
Non-defective meters will results in a charge of \$25 plus the cost of testing.

Section 21: Natural Gas and other Fees shall be charged as follows after July 1, 2019

Natural Gas:

Residential (All Usage)	Operation Expense + \$9.40 per MCF
Business Level 1 (1-24,000 MCF)	Cost at Gate + \$5.00 per MCF
Business Level 2 (24,001-30,000 MCF)	Cost at Gate + \$3.00 per MCF
Business Level 3 (30,001 MCF or More)	Cost at Gate + 1.50 per MCF

All rates above are based off of monthly usage.

Deposits:	\$150/225/300
Reconnect:	\$40
Seasonal Cutoff:	\$100
Cut-off List Administrative Fee:	\$15
After Hours Reconnect Fee:	125
Administrative Fee:	\$40

Minimum Availability Fees:

Residential:	\$8.70
Small Commercial:	\$9.10
Industrial- Firm:	\$200
Industrial- Interruptible:	\$400

Section 22: Planning / Zoning and other Fees shall be charged as follows after July 1, 2019

Board of Adjustments:

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

Planning Board:

Zoning Map Amendment (Rezoning)	\$300
Text Amendment	\$300

Zoning Fees:

New Single Family	\$100
Additions	\$20-50
Accessory	\$40
New Multi-Family	\$150+\$5/Unit
Non-Residential: Up to 5,000 Sq. Ft	\$100
Non-Residential: 5,001-10,000 Sq. Ft.	\$200
Non-Residential: 10,001 Sq. Ft. Plus	\$200 + \$1/1,000 Sq. Ft.
Subdivision Plat- Minor	\$50

Subdivision Plat- Major	\$100+\$5/Lot
Recombination Plat	\$50
Sign Permit	\$50
Accessory (No Building Permit)	\$25
Accessory (Building Permit)	\$50

Other Fees:

Zoning Certificate of Compliance	\$50
Home Occupation	\$50
Temporary Use	\$25
Demolition	\$25
Telecommunication Tower	\$300
Co-Location	\$100

Section 23: Other General Fees shall be charged as follows after July 1, 2019

General Other Fees:

Cemetery Lot	\$600
Grave Opening	\$425-700 (per Cemetery Ordinance)
Grave Marking	\$100
Return Check Fee	\$40
Administrative Fee for Utility Cut-Offs	\$15
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Section 24: 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 25: The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund as contained herein as follows:

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

Section 26: Copies of the Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to all Department Heads for guidance in the disbursement of funds. A copy shall always be available for public inspections in the City Clerk's office.

Adopted this the 10th Day of June, 2019.

Becky S. Smith, Mayor

Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk