



2022-2023 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, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	2,200,000
Ad Valorem Taxes State Board Assessed		40,000
Prior Year Taxes		35,000
Motor Vehicle License		250,000
Gross Rental Vehicle Tax		600
Penalties & Interest		40,000
North Carolina Local Sales Tax		800,000
Solid Waste Disposal Tax		4,000
Beer & Wine Tax		22,000
Franchise Tax		440,000
PD Fees for Services		500
Confiscated Drug Money		500
Fire Department Grants		14,000
PD – Grants		60,000
Landfill Fees		340,000
Grave Opening/Closing		25,000
Cemetery Lot Sales		1,000
Zoning Permits & Fees		10,000
Grant - Kiser Center		5,000
Code Enforcement Billing		500
Recreation Department Fees/Sponsors		45,000
Down Home Festival		15,000
Special Events Sponsors		30,000
Senior Events		4,000
Pool Fees		95,000
Investment Earnings		1,500
Rent- Land		1,100
Sale of General Fund Property		20,000
ABC Revenue		20,000
Miscellaneous Revenues		20,000
Insurance Proceeds		10,000
Administrative Charges - Enterprise Funds		1,300,000
Fund Balance Appropriated		108,892

\$ **5,958,592**

Section 2. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Governing Body & Legal	\$	91,213
Administration & Finance		1,004,910
Police Department		1,850,371
Fire Department		195,825
Garage Operations		113,343
Public Works Department		328,700
Sanitation Department		327,000
Planning & Zoning		152,862
Economic Development		264,280
Debt Service		615,433
Recreation Department		756,995
Parks & Gym		112,000
Pool		111,160
Cemetery		34,500

\$ 5,985,592

Section 3. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023:

Water Sales	\$	2,800,000
Sewer Sales		3,000,000
Water Tap Fees		5,000
Water System Development Fees		45,000
Reconnect Fees		19,000
Penalties		40,000
Miscellaneous		60,000
Administrative Fee		10,000
Admin Activation Fee		10,000
Sewer Tap Fees		20,000
Sewer System Development Fees		30,000
Investment Earnings		200
Fund Balance Appropriated		553

\$ 6,039,753

Section 4. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	393,883
Administration Share		1,000,000
Water/Wastewater Treatment		2,828,590
Public Works		1,363,280
New Line Construction		454,000

\$ 6,039,753

Section 5. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023:

Sales of Gas	\$	1,305,000
Penalties		50,000
Interest on Investments		200
Cut-ons and Reconnects		500
Miscellaneous Natural Gas Revenue		1,000
Fund Balance Appropriated		42,846

\$ 1,399,546

Section 6. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Natural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	124,652
Administration Share		300,000
Gas Operations		974,894

\$ 1,399,546

Section 7. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Storm Water Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023:

Storm Water Charges	\$	100,000
Fund Balance		34,958

\$ 134,958

Section 8. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Storm Water Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	35,958
Operations		99,000

\$ 134,958

Section 9. The following revenues are expected to be available in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023:

State Powell Bill Allocation	\$	180,000
Fund Balance		22,315

\$ 202,315

Section 10. The following amount is hereby appropriated in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$	100,815
Street Operations		101,500

\$ 202,315

Section 11. There is hereby levied a tax rate of forty-five (\$.45) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property taxes as of January 1, 2022 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 \$495,000,000 and an estimated rate of collection of 98.96%. The estimated rate of collection is based off of the fiscal 2020-2021 collection rate of 98.96%.

Section 12: Fees shall be charged as follows starting July 1, 2022:

SERVICE	2021-2022	2022-2023
WATER		
Treated Water- Inside City	\$11.30 min. per month for 2,000 gal.	\$11.90 min. per month for 2,000 gal.
	\$6.95 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000	\$7.30 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000
Treated Water- Outside City	Double Rates Above	Double Rates Above
Water Deposit	\$100/\$150/\$300	\$200/\$250/\$400
Water Reconnect Fee	\$35-70	\$35-70
Broken Lock Fee	\$300	\$300
Meter Tampering	\$500	\$500
Administrative Fee	\$40	\$40
Illegal Turn-on Fee	\$150	\$150
Meter Reset	\$150	\$300
Water Tap Fees*		
<i>¾ Inch Line</i>	\$450	\$950
<i>1 Inch Line</i>	\$500	\$1,000
<i>1 ½ Inch Line</i>	\$550	\$1,100
<i>2 Inch Line</i>	\$600	\$1,200
<i>*plus cost of meter at market rate</i>		
SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES**		
<i>** System development fees are calculated once projects have been submit and compared with the Council Adopted System Development Fee Calculator. Examples are provided below:</i>		
<i>Residential Dwelling Unit- 2 bedrooms</i>	\$3,861.00	\$3,861.00
<i>Residential Dwelling Unit- 3 bedrooms</i>	\$4,211.00	\$4,211.00
<i>Residential Dwelling Unit – 4 bedrooms</i>	\$5,573.00	\$5,573.00
<i>Church w/o Kitchen, Day Care or Camp</i>	\$4,869.00	\$4,869.00
<i>Restaurant, Full Service (20 emp.)</i>	\$5,410.00	\$5,410.00
<i>Convenience Store w/ food Preparation (2,500 sq. ft.)</i>	\$16,230.00	\$16,230.00
<i>Stores & Shopping Center w/o Food Service (25,000 sq. ft.)</i>	\$27,050.00	\$27,050.00
SEWER		
Sewer- Inside City	\$16.15 per month for 2,000 gal. of water metered	\$16.95 min. per month for 2,000 gal. of water metered
	\$12.35 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000 gal. of water metered	\$13.00 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000 gal. of water metered

	\$7.30 per 1,000 gal. over 1 million	\$7.70 per 1,000 gal. over 1 Million
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Sewer- Outside City	Double Rates Above	Double Rates Above
Sewer Tap Fees		
4 Inch	\$500	\$700
6 Inch	\$600	\$1,000
SEWER USER SURCHARGES		
High Strength BOD	\$.02400 per lb. (for high strength >250 mg/L)	
High Strength TSS	\$.0450 per lb. (for high strength >250 mg/L)	
High Strength O & G	\$.10 per lb. (for high strength >100 mg/L)	
High Strength TKN	\$.4830 per lb. (for high strength >25 mg/L)	
High Strength TP	\$.8470 per lb. (for high strength > 8 mg/L)	
Permit Fees		
Initial Issuance	SIU Fee- \$1,000	Local Permit Fee- \$500
Annual Maintenance	SIU Fee- \$250	Local Permit Fee- \$100
Reopening Fee	SIU Fee- \$500	Local Permit Fee- \$250
Monitoring Fees (per event)		
Composite Sample Event	\$300	
Acute Toxicity Screening	\$600	
Chronic Toxicity Screening	\$1,200	
TTO with Pesticide Analysis	\$550	
TTO without Pesticide Analysis	\$500	
AVAILABILITY FEES		
Water and Sewer Availability Fees	Inside Customers Connected to Water but not to Sewer- \$11.30	Inside Customers Connected to Water but not to Sewer- \$11.90
	Inside Customers Connected to Sewer but not to Water- \$15.35	Inside Residential Customers Connected to Sewer but not to Water- \$80.00
		Inside Business Customers Connected to Sewer but not to Water- \$80.00
	Inside Customers not Connected to Water or Sewer Service: \$26.65 (\$11.30 Water + \$15.35 Sewer)	Inside Customers not Connected to Water or Sewer Service: \$91.90 (\$11.90 Water + \$80.00 Sewer)
METER CHECKS		
	One Free Check Per Year	One Free Check Per Year
	Defective Meter replaced free of charge	Defective Meter replaced free of charge
	Non-Defective Meter will result in a charge of \$25 + cost of testing	Non-Defective Meter will result in a charge of \$25 + cost of testing
STORM WATER		
Residential	\$3.07/Month	\$3.07/Month
Commercial	\$6.00/Month	\$6.00/Month
Industrial	\$12.00/Month	\$12.00/Month

SOLID WASTE		
Waste Collection (Weekly)	Residential and Commercial: \$11.00/month per container	Residential and Commercial: \$12.00/month per container
Waste Collection (Twice- Weekly)	Commercial Only: \$11.00/month per container	Commercial Only: \$24.00/month per container
Solid Waste Fee (Bulk, Brush, and Debris)*	\$11.00 per residential/apartment unit	\$12.00 per residential/apartment unit
<i>*This fee is only applied to units that are not charged a solid waste collection fee.</i>		
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		
Board of Adjustment		
<i>Variance Request</i>	\$150	\$500
<i>Appeals</i>	\$150	\$500
<i>Conditional Use Permit</i>	\$150	\$700
<i>Special Use Permit (SUP)</i>	\$150	\$500
Planning Board		
<i>Zoning Map Amendment (Rezoning)</i>	\$300	\$600
<i>Zoning Text Amendment</i>	\$300	\$600
Other Fees		
<i>Zoning Verification Letter</i>	\$100	\$100
<i>New Single Family</i>	\$100	\$200
<i>New Multi Family</i>	\$150 + \$5 per unit	\$200 + \$10 per unit
<i>Additions</i>	\$20-\$50	\$100
<i>Accessory</i>	\$40	\$100
<i>Non- Residential up to 5,000 Square Feet</i>	\$100	\$200
<i>Non-Residential 5,001-10,000 Square Feet</i>	\$200 + \$1 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.	\$350 + \$5 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.
<i>Non-Residential Greater Than 10,001 Square Feet</i>	\$300 + \$1 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.	\$500 + \$5 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.
<i>Minor Subdivision Plat</i>	\$50	\$200
<i>Major Sub Division Plat</i>	\$50 + \$5 per lot	\$600 + \$50 per lot
<i>Recombination Plat</i>	\$50	\$50
Zoning Permits		
<i>Sign Permit</i>	\$50	\$100
<i>Accessory Building Verification (No Building Permit Required)</i>	\$25	\$50
<i>Accessory Building Verification (Building Permit Required)</i>	\$50	\$100
<i>Zoning Certificate of Compliance</i>	\$50	\$100
<i>Demolition Permit</i>	\$25	\$100
<i>Home Occupation Permit</i>	\$50	\$100
<i>Temporary Use Permit</i>	\$25	\$150
<i>Telecommunication Tower Permit</i>	\$300	\$2,500
<i>Telecommunication Tower Permit (Co-Location)</i>	\$250	\$500
<i>Fence Permit</i>		\$25
<i>Driveway Permit</i>		\$50

CITY COUNCIL		
<i>Code Enforcement Appeal</i>	\$150	\$150
<i>Annexation Petition</i>		\$350
<i>Street/Alley/ROW Closing Petition</i>		\$500
CODE ENFORCEMENT		
Grass Cutting		
<i>Grass Cutting Maintenance Show Up Fee</i>	\$10	\$50
<i>Grass Cutting Maintenance Administrative Fee*</i>	\$200	\$200
<i>*Plus Cost of Mowing Contractor</i>		
NATURAL GAS		
Gas Per MCF*		
<i>Residential (All Usage)/Month</i>	Operating Expense + \$9.40 per MCF	Operating Expense + \$10.40 per MCF
<i>Business Level 1 (1-24,000 MCF)/Month</i>	Cost at Gate + \$5.00 per MCF	Cost at Gate + \$6.00 per MCF
<i>Business Level 2 (24,001-30,000 MCF)/Month</i>	Cost at Gate + \$3.00 per MCF	Cost at Gate + \$4.00 per MCF
<i>Business Level 3 (30,001 MCF or More) /Month</i>	Cost at Gate + \$1.50 per MCF	Cost at Gate + \$2.50 per MCF
<i>*Rates above are based off of monthly usage.</i>		
Other Gas Fees		
<i>Gas Taps</i>	See Gas Tap and Rebate Policy	See Gas Tap and Rebate Policy
<i>Gas Deposits</i>	\$150/\$225/\$300	\$250/\$325/\$400
<i>Gas Minimum Availability Fees</i>	\$8.70/\$9.10/\$200/\$400	\$8.70/\$9.10/\$200/\$400
<i>Cut-Off List Admin. Fee</i>	\$15	\$15
<i>Reconnect Fee</i>	\$40-80	\$40-80
<i>After Hours Cutoff</i>	\$125	\$125
<i>Administrative Fee</i>	\$40	\$40
<i>Seasonal Reconnect</i>	\$100	\$100
OTHER FEES		
Return Check Fee	\$35	\$35
Copies		
<i>B & W up to 8 ½ X 14</i>	\$0.45/page	\$0.45/page
<i>Color up to 8 ½ X 14</i>	\$0.50/page	\$0.50/page
City Truck Rental*	\$50	\$75
<i>* Additional Fees may apply if waste exceeds 1 ton.</i>		
CEMETERY		
Cemetery Lot	\$600	\$1,000
Grave Marking Fee	\$100	\$100
Grave Opening	\$435-\$725*	\$435-\$825*
<i>*Per City Ordinance</i>		
MOTOR VEHICLE		
Motor Vehicle Tag Fee	\$20	\$30

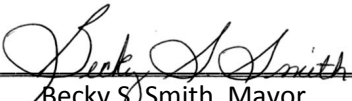
Section 13: All other fees for service, surcharges, etc. previously established by Council shall remain the same unless adjusted at some future date. All billing not paid on the due date is subject to a 10% late penalty.

Section 14: 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 15: 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 13th day of June, 2022.



Becky S. Smith, Mayor



Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk