



CENTRAL YORK FIRE SERVICES

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Central York Fire Services

Central York Fire Services strives to provide excellence in fire protection, prevention, public fire education and emergency services to both the Town of Aurora and the Town of Newmarket.

The fire service operates under the direction of a six-member Joint Council Committee (JCC) made up of three members from each of the town Councils of Aurora and Newmarket. The JCC provides and administers a borderless, single tier of fire protection and prevention throughout both towns. This is done in accordance with the Consolidated Fire Services Agreement, the Fire Services Master Plan and the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

Operating Budget

Overview

The operating budget for Central York Fire Services includes an increase of \$403,500 on the tax levy in 2026. The main drivers of the increase relates to staffing costs and inflationary pressures. There is no planned growth included in the 2026 Budget at this time as the new Fire Strategic Plan has yet to be reviewed by JCC.

Operating financial summary

\$000's	Net Actual Results		2025 Net Fcst*	2025 Budget	2026 Budget
	2023	2024			
Expenditures	12,722.9	13,070.7	13,384.5	13,384.5	13,788.0
Non-Tax Revenues	-	-	-	-	-
Net Tax Levy	12,722.9	13,070.7	13,384.5	13,384.5	13,788.0
% Tax Funded	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Net Budget Change	\$	347.8	313.8	-	403.5
	%	2.7%	2.4%		3.0%
2024 Outlook				13,748.2	
Change to Outlook					39.8

*Net forecast as of August 31, 2025

Changes to the multi-year budget

The outlook for Aurora's share of the Central York Fire Services budget increased in 2026 resulting from inflationary pressures for dispatch, vehicle repairs and maintenance, support costs, and asset management.

Multi-year operating budget priorities

The multi-year budget priorities for Central York Fire Services will be based on the next Fire Master Plan. The plan will forecast out the future needs for the fire service including staffing, fire stations and equipment needs.

Capital Budget

Overview

Central York Fire Services has no planned spending in 2026 on capital projects of the total \$51,300 in Capital Budget Authority.

2026 Capital Budget Authority

(\$000s)	Previously Proposed Budget	2026 Budget		Capital Budget Authority Cash Flow			
		Capital Budget Authority*	Budget Change	Actuals to Dec/24	2025 Forecast	2026	2027+
Asset Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Growth & New Studies & Other	51.3	51.3	0.0	42.3	9.0	-	-
Proposed Budget	51.3	51.3	0.0	42.3	9.0	-	-

* Includes all active project budgets, adjustments to project budgets and new budget commitments

10-year capital plan

The 10-year capital plan includes \$5.5million in capital projects. The 10-year plan includes only growth to support the further development of additional fire halls. This will be revised once the next fire master plan is approved. A detailed list of projects and their timing can be found in Tab 17.

10-year capital plan



Key capital initiatives

The capital plan for Central York Fire Services supports implementing the Fire Master Plan which supports growth in the Town of Aurora.

Asset management budgets for fire services are not included in this section

The asset management capital budget is included in the Community Services Facilities asset management budget for the fire halls which service Aurora.

The asset management budget for station 4-5 which is shared between the communities and houses the headquarters for the fire service, is managed in the Central York Fire Services budget and the asset replacement fund contributions are included in their operating budget.

The growth budget includes a forecast for new fire halls

The 10-year capital plan includes estimated costs for the expansion of fire services in Aurora. This includes two new fire halls and the equipment needed to service them. This budget will be revisited after the approval of the next fire master plan.

Capital Projects

Previously approved capital projects with no change or reduction to budget

This list includes existing capital projects where no increase to the capital budget authority is being requested.

Growth and New Projects

(in 000's)

Project	Proposed Capital Budget Authority	Reason for budget decrease (if applicable)
GN0020: Fire Master Plan - 2019	51.3	
Total Growth and New	51.3	