



# Forecast

ELECTION ISSUE 2014

NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE

## Annual Town Meeting and Election Tuesday, May 6, 2014

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| Voting         | 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. | Town Hall   |
| Reception      | 7 p.m.          | Social Hall |
| Annual Meeting | 7:30 p.m.       | Social Hall |

The Town Council has five elected members. Town residents will elect three members in the 2014 election to serve for two years. The polls will be located in the Town Hall, 4301 Willow Lane, and will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on [Election Day, May 6](#). Any qualified voter may vote by absentee ballot. Residents desiring an absentee ballot must apply individually in writing (by mail, fax, email or in person) to the Town Office. An absentee ballot request form is included in this newsletter and available on the Town website.

The Council will host a reception on May 6 from 7 to 7:30 p.m. featuring the Town's volunteer committees. During the reception, you will have an opportunity to talk with many of the residents who take an active role in assisting the Council in the governance of the Town. The annual meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

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A moderated candidates' forum will be held on [Thursday, April 24 at 7 p.m.](#) in the Town Hall. Charles Duffy, host of the Montgomery Municipal Cable TV show "Political Pulse," has agreed to serve as moderator for the seventh consecutive year. If you have a question you would like posed to the candidates, please submit it to [townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org](mailto:townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org) by [Wednesday, April 23](#).

### Proposed FY15 Budget

Highlights of the proposed FY15 budget can be reviewed in this issue of the FORECAST. Comprehensive budget documents are available for review in the Town Office and on the Town website: [www.townofchevy Chase.org](http://www.townofchevy Chase.org).

# MAYOR'S REPORT

## Patricia Burda

In each Election issue of the Forecast, the Mayor reviews some of the Town's many accomplishments from the previous year. On behalf of the Town Council, I am pleased to present the following summary. Everyone in the community should take great pride in what has been achieved.

We maintained a high quality of life in Town by continuing to provide excellent public services; securing our homes and property with 24-hour police coverage and a Neighborhood Watch program; maintaining a solid infrastructure; and providing excellent communication to our residents. Specifically we:

- Repaved many of our roads and repaired and replaced sidewalks and curbs
- Transitioned to backdoor single-stream recycling and established a curbside household organic waste collection program to help reduce the volume of solid waste transported to County landfills
- Worked with Pepco to continue pruning trees near power lines and upgrading electric wires, which will help reduce storm-related power outages in Town
- Held a public forum on undergrounding electrical wires and continue to work with Pepco to get real cost figures
- Coordinated with the County to install a bike-share station in Elm Street Park
- Launched a new, user-friendly Town website
- Expanded the Town Crier alert system to over 900 residents
- Installed a generator at the Town Office to allow for public use of Town facilities during power outages
- Surveyed the community and held two public forums to solicit resident input on the use of Town reserves

We continued to be a good steward of our natural environment and participated in numerous initiatives to establish the Town as a leader in environmental preservation and sustainability efforts throughout the State. Specifically we:

- Planted 85 trees in the public rights-of-way; and planted 28 trees on private property as part of the Town's Native Canopy Tree Planting Program
- Established the Private Canopy Tree Maintenance Program, which helps defray the cost to residents for tree maintenance work
- Participated in the Sustainable Maryland Certified (SMC) program, developed specifically for municipalities in Maryland who want to "go green"
- Started a lecture series on various environmental topics at the recommendation of the Town's Climate & Environment Committee
- Worked successfully with the County to assure the installation of solar panels on the Lawton Community Center and Town Hall

We continued to monitor and advocate Town interests in proposed development projects on the Town's borders and within the County. Specifically we:

- Worked to reduce the impacts of the proposed Purple Line project on the Town
- Followed and commented on the County's Zoning rewrite project
- Participated in County's Bethesda Downtown Master Planning process and formed the Communities in Bethesda Coalition
- Completed our work on the Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan project

And finally, we expanded our special events programming and hosted nearly 30 social events that not only brought together residents of all ages, but also raised significant funds for important charitable causes in our larger community.

I am sincerely grateful for our dedicated staff and the many volunteers who serve on our various committees, boards and commissions. Thank you all for your hard work and sense of civic duty.

# TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2014

## Tuesday, May 6 is Election Day.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day. The polls will be located in the Town Hall, 4301 Willow Lane. The election will be administered by the League of Women Voters and monitored by the Town Election Board.

Town elections are governed by the provisions in Chapter 8 of the Town of Chevy Chase Municipal Code, which state: "An election shall be held on the first Tuesday in May of each year to elect members of the Town Council. Three members shall be elected in even-numbered years and two members in odd-numbered years."

## The Nominees

Statements of the Council candidates appear in this issue of the FORECAST and on the Town's website ([www.townofchevychase.org](http://www.townofchevychase.org)).

## Candidates' Forum

Candidates will participate in a moderated forum and dialogue with the community on **Thursday, April 24 at 7 p.m.** in the Town Hall. The Election Board will accept questions in advance from Town residents. The Election Board may need to consolidate similar questions.

## Floor Nominations

Floor nominations for Councilmembers cannot be considered at the Annual Meeting since voting will begin in advance of the meeting.

## Voting Eligibility

A resident must be a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen years of age, have resided within the corporate limits of the Town for thirty days preceding any Town election and be a registered, qualified voter of the State of Maryland to be eligible to vote. If you have recently moved to the Town of Chevy Chase or are uncertain whether your name is on the list of registered, qualified voters, you may call the Montgomery County Election Board at 240-777-VOTE.

## Voting By Absentee Ballot

Any qualified voter may vote by absentee ballot. Residents desiring an absentee ballot must apply individually in writing (by mail, fax, email or in person) to the Town Office. An absentee ballot request form is included in this newsletter and available on the Town website. Absentee ballots will be available on **Tuesday, April 22, 2014**. The absentee ballot must be returned in the printed envelope provided by the Town. To be counted, any absentee ballot must be received by the Town by 8 p.m. on **Election Day, May 6, 2014**.

## Voting Procedure

The polls will be located in the Town Hall, 4301 Willow Lane. The polls will open at 8 a.m. and will close at 8 p.m. on **Election Day, May 6, 2014**. Names of candidates will appear on the printed ballot in alphabetical order. Voters may vote for no more than three candidates. There will be appropriate blanks on the printed ballot for the purpose of adding write-in candidates.

## Election Board

Residents with questions on any aspect of the election are encouraged to contact a member of the Election Board: Ed Finn, 301-657-4607, [ejfinn724@aim.com](mailto:ejfinn724@aim.com); Anthula Gross, 301-652-3017, [anthula.john@starpower.net](mailto:anthula.john@starpower.net); and Steve Lawton, 301-654-5904, [slawtondc@yahoo.com](mailto:slawtondc@yahoo.com),

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Grant L. Davies 4313 Bradley Lane

I am a 30-year resident of the Town of Chevy Chase, where I have raised three children and where my family still lives. My wife Carole-Ann and I moved with our three children to Chevy Chase from Montreal, Quebec in 1984. We stayed in the United States and became American citizens because the Town provided our family with the building blocks for success. I began my own management consulting business, growing it from my basement to 25 employees. I have also served as CEO of Teaching Strategies, an internationally renowned publisher of early childhood education material. Two of my three children now own homes and live in the Town, along with three of my five grandchildren. My family and I are deeply invested in our community and committed to making sure that it continues to offer a vision where ALL residents can thrive like my family did.

I am running for Town Council for the following reasons:

First, we need to be smart about managing our Town's resources. We need to take greater care with how we budget and spend our resources and how we care for and expand our public facilities. Many of our newer homeowners have young families and we need to make our Town a welcome place for them.

Second, we need to make sure that we are including all of the Town's residents in its governance, not just the minority that attend our Council or committee meetings. In this age of technology, we need to be smarter about getting input from more residents. Every resident deserves to be heard.

Third, we need to improve the Town's image with the public and the rest of the county. We have always been advocates for good government and considering the needs of the larger community. Our mishandling of our advocacy against the Purple line has given the Town an unwarranted black eye.

My commitment and leadership in civic organizations and my extensive management experience could be put to good use on the Council. I've served in leadership positions on civic associations, including key positions with the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association and the American Hospice Foundation. As the owner of a small and highly successful business, I bring important business skills to the Town regarding contracting, budgeting, and management.

Our Council can do a better job of marshaling our resources, listening to our neighbors and improving the quality of life. I believe as member of the Council, I can make these goals a reality.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

Donald Farren  
4009 Bradley Lane

I have lived in the Town for over 30 years. During that time my wife and I have raised three sons and launched them into the world. I am retired from a career as curator of rare books and manuscripts and library administrator. I have an undergraduate degree from Princeton University. I did my master's level work at the University of Chicago and have a doctorate from Columbia University. During over 50 years of active professional life, I have held and continue to hold elected leadership positions in my professional field.

Up to now, I have been content to leave Town government in the hands of others, both appreciating and enjoying the benefits of their service. However, urged by friends and neighbors, I have agreed to run for a seat on the Town Council to do what I can to help our town meet the varied challenges facing it. I have been prominently associated with one transit issue, but I commit myself, if elected, to being receptive to everyone's interests and to work on reconciling opposing views, serving the interests of the whole Town.

I am:

Pro Purple Line.

Pro mitigation.

Pro the Trail.

Pro a sustainable environment.

Pro diverse thinking on the Town Council.

Pro fiscal responsibility.

Pro transparent Town government.

Pro open communications.

Pro sensible regulation.

Pro rational solutions to problems.

Pro residents participating in Town government.

We are privileged to live in a town with our own government responsive to our needs, among neighbors of diverse backgrounds and accomplishments, variously engaged. I advocate respecting the values we have cultivated while facing the future confidently and realistically.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Al Lang 4008 Underwood Street

My wife, Susan, and I moved to the Town of Chevy Chase in 1980. We raised our 2 sons, Albert and James, in the Town. We have always worked to make our wonderful Town an even better place.

My career has traveled many paths. After leaving the technical arena, mathematician and computer scientist, I was fortunate to have business success because I gained and applied management and financial skills. Skills I will continue to leverage for TOCC.

In talking with many of you, I know you care about government services, fiscal responsibility and safety. As a councilmember since 2008, these have been and remain my priorities. Included among many efforts are the following: improved street lighting, appropriate increases to policing, storm drains, sidewalk installations, improved traffic flow, safety at Chevy Chase Elementary School, etc.

I want to work with all of you to do more:

- Exceptional government services – Most important, expand green space to create a buffer to the Bethesda growth. I will investigate the purchase of the parking lots west of 46<sup>th</sup> Street and east of Wisconsin. If successful this will create the buffer the Town needs to Bethesda encroachment, while providing the possibility for green space.
- Solid fiscal responsibility – There are many examples, (tackling the \$9M reserves being one), but none is more important than my recent vote against the \$360,000 for BIR, our Purple Line lobbying firm. While I have worked hard during my 6 years as Councilmember to find the right resources to mitigate this project, we are elected fiduciaries. Sadly, this contract lacked critical elements; there was not a request for proposal; it was not a competitive process; and we did not negotiate price. Elements well understood by all, not just a business person.
- Strengthened safety – Among several possibilities are improving street lighting; making our streets pedestrian safe, both flow and speeds; assuring the right level of policing; etc.

The Town has grown and prospered since Susan and I bought our house on Underwood. To move forward, TOCC needs leadership, management and financial skills. I will bring these to bear while bringing a new openness: reaching out to all, listening to all, involving all during council meetings. As always, do not hesitate to contact me, 301 657 4394, [al.lang@townofchevyCHASE.org](mailto:al.lang@townofchevyCHASE.org).

I would be honored to receive your vote. Thank You.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

Kathie Legg  
4400 Elm Street

I am the mother of one of the Town's newest residents, born in March, 2013. I couldn't be more thrilled to be raising her in this Town. Our community is full of talented, accomplished and engaged people. But we're also busy people. The Town puts out a lot of information - sometimes too much. We can do better, and make your lives easier.

My primary goal for the Town Council is to work on ways to get you the information you need when you need it, without burying you in an avalanche of information.

This means, for example:

- targeted email lists, by street, for issues that affect particular locations
- "office hours" – at different times, to accommodate different schedules
- common sense use of technology (e.g. including calendar invites in all event communications)
- use of social media and mobile technologies

I believe I am particularly qualified to accomplish this. I have proven experience in getting important messages to people who need them. For two years, I ran the President's and First Lady's social media and mobile accounts. I have communicated with constituencies on a national level, working to get people rowing in the same direction and letting them know how they can help, in whatever way is possible for them. I look forward to using this experience for the benefit of the Town.

I am a member of the Town's Long Range Planning Committee and serve on a Montgomery County Commission. I graduated from the University at Albany and hold a Masters in Political Management from George Washington. I run a small business and live with my husband, Rajib Chanda, and our daughter on the corner of Elm and 44th.

As a member of the Long Range Planning Committee, I have heard from many Town residents about issues that are of great importance. I think we have a lot of shared priorities, and that is where I will focus my efforts:

- preserving/expanding green space
- balanced environmental stewardship
- maintaining buffer zones to protect our neighborhood from the rapid zoning changes in downtown Bethesda
- getting concessions for bordering development to limit overcrowded schools, increased traffic and decreased public safety
- leaving this Town better off than we found it

Call me any time at 301-275-5932 or email me at [kathleenlegg@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenlegg@gmail.com). I look forward to hearing from you, and I would appreciate your vote on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Kathy Strom 7212 Ridgewood Avenue

I am deeply committed to the Town and am excited to be seeking re-election to the Town Council. As the election gets underway, I want you to know what I believe is important in our community and how my leadership on the Council has made a difference:

- Open and fair government. When I was Mayor, one of the first things I did was to make our Town government more accessible and responsive by expanding public hearings. Now we hear directly from you on everything from street signs to charitable contributions.
- Communications. With the Community Relations Committee, we expanded ways to keep you informed and up-to-date. I am proud of our current, user-friendly website, our Town Crier email notices (with 900 recipients), and our monthly newsletter. We are also looking to use new technologies to make our communications even better.
- Safety. As Council Liaison, I have helped build a solid Neighborhood Watch Program. The Town now provides off-duty police coverage so an officer is in the Town at all times.
- Community. Movie nights. Bake-Offs. Drum Circles. Progressive Dinners. Art Shows. These are just a few of the Town events I helped start that bring together neighbors of all ages, interests and talents.
- Protecting our environment. I have supported new environmentally sound practices such as voluntary composting and singlestream recycling.
- Fiscal responsibility. I believe we need adequate rainy day funds for emergencies, as well as funds available for new initiatives supported by the community.

It has been an honor to serve you on the Town Council. In asking for your support for another term, I promise to continue to listen to you and work hard to accomplish our community's goals. I will work to expand our parks (and yes, spend some of our reserves for this), protect our buffer areas from overzealous Bethesda development and continue to support services and programs that make our Town an even better place for residents.

Twenty-three years ago, my husband, David, and I moved to the Town to raise our three children, Mark, Helen and Jacob. We are now empty-nesters and I can't imagine leaving the Town to live elsewhere. When the kids were young, I worked part-time as an attorney so that I could volunteer in their schools and in the community. Today, I continue to work as a lawyer in private practice.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Vicky Taplin 4120 Leland Street

I feel fortunate to have lived in the Town for the past 15 years. My husband, Ben Delancy, and I moved to Leland St. in 1998, and raised our two sons here. From the start, we found it to be a very friendly and engaged community. Almost immediately, my neighbor asked me to join the Town's Traffic Committee. I said yes, and found it to be a great way to learn about local issues and meet new friends.

We were also very impressed by all the traditions on our block – a weekly newsletter, a Halloween block party, and a back-to-school banana split party. All this, and a leafy, quiet, and safe neighborhood close to all the amenities of downtown Bethesda - what could be a better place to raise our family?

Eventually, I joined the Environment Committee, serving as Chair from 2007-2010. I am proud to say that under my leadership, we initiated the Native Canopy Tree giveaway program, the "Shades of Green" column in the Forecast, the Town's noise controls, and the Land Conservation Program for protecting open spaces.

I have an A.B. from Mount Holyoke College and a J.D. from the University of California. I have spent the majority of my legal career representing non-profit organizations and creative professionals. I have served on numerous non-profit boards, and collaborated with many community groups and government agencies. I have held volunteer positions in my sons' schools, our church, and legal service organizations. Currently, I serve as a pro-bono lawyer for children from low-income families in custody cases in the DC Superior Court.

I want to use my experience to take on an even more direct role in preserving the Town's special characteristics for our young families now and in the future. I think it is vital to push to mitigate the negative effects of the Purple Line, but I also have new ideas for strengthening our community: more open spaces in the Town for public uses, like pocket parks and a community garden; better sidewalks and lighting and more benches for our walking pleasure and safety; babysitting services and other offerings to make it easier for younger people to participate in Town affairs and events; and financial incentives to encourage sustainable and quieter landscaping practices.

I promise that if elected, I will be a strong, fair, and independent voice for our community.

# MEET THE CANDIDATES

## Deborah A. Vollmer 7202 44<sup>th</sup> Street

I am Deborah A. Vollmer, candidate for the Town council, for the Town of Chevy Chase. I was born January 15, 1948, and grew up with my parents and my older sister, Susan, in the house I still call home. I attended Chevy Chase Elementary School, Leland Junior High School, and B-CC.

After graduating from Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School in 1966, I attended and graduated from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts, with a B.A. in Government, which I received in 1970. I attended the University Of Maryland School Of Law, obtaining my J.D. in 1973. I moved to California, where I worked as an attorney for the United Farm Workers of America. I worked for a legal aid office in Bakersfield, California. Then I went into sole practice which consisted primarily of court appointed criminal cases, representing low-income clients.

In 1997, I moved back to my childhood home, to stay with my father who passed away in 2004, at the age of 98. I have continued to live in our family home. I have served on the Town's Land Use Committee, and I currently serve on the Town's Long Range Planning Committee.

Over the years, I have actively opposed current plans for the Purple Line; I do believe that improving public transportation is important, but the current plans are unacceptable, as they would destroy the canopy of trees in what is really a linear park, cause other environmental damage, and cause negative impact to all residents, especially those living at the Town's borders, close to the rail line.

I am concerned that neighborhood character and the environment are being sacrificed to the greed of developers, who turn a profit when older, modest-sized houses in our Town are demolished to make room for new construction. I favor a new moratorium on building, with a provision for hardship exceptions, and the implementation of a number of revisions to the building code. I also favor limiting the use of pesticides in our Town, as is being done in Takoma Park, to preserve our environment, including the bees and the butterflies, and to protect water quality. I would also revise the electoral process to make the Town Manager more accountable to both the Town Council and the residents, through a Yes/No vote on the ballot on the Town Manager's performance and contract, every few years.

# REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT

## Town of Chevy Chase Council Election Tuesday, May 6, 2014

A resident must be a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen years of age, have resided within the corporate limits of the Town for thirty days preceding any Town election and be a registered, qualified voter of the State of Maryland to be eligible to vote.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide an absentee ballot so that I may vote in the Annual Election of the Town of Chevy Chase, **Tuesday, May 6, 2014.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
signature of applicant (required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
print name (must be legible)

Ballots will be delivered beginning Tuesday, April 22, 2014.

To be counted, any absentee ballot must be received by the Town office by **8 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, May 6, 2014.** The ballot must be in the printed return envelope provided by the Town at the time the ballot was issued.

# FY15 PROPOSED BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

## REVENUES

### Property Taxes

The Town Council is proposing to retain the property tax rate at \$0 for FY15. When the Town last levied a property tax in FY13, it received approximately \$120,000 in annual revenue, which equated to about \$100 per \$1 million in assessed value of residents' homes.

### Income Taxes

Income tax revenue is the most unpredictable and volatile source of revenue, and the Town has no formulaic approach to calculating it. Given economic uncertainties, the FY15 budget assumes stable income tax revenue.

## EXPENDITURES

### Employee Salaries

The FY15 budget includes funds to provide a 1.8% cost of living adjustment and a 3.5% step increase for all Town employees, excluding the Town Manager whose terms of employment are established by contract.

### Professional Services for Purple Line Analysis

The FY15 budget includes contractual costs for legal and government affairs services to assist the Town in continuing to respond to the proposed Purple Line project.

### Charitable Contributions

The Town Council budgeted \$300,000 for charitable contributions in FY15. Requests for contributions will be accepted in September and March. If requests meet the Town's eligibility requirements, the Council will schedule public hearings to consider possible contributions.

### Environmental Initiatives

The FY15 budget includes \$250,000 for environmental initiatives, including possible matching grants to Town residents who participate in the County's Rainscapes Program. Any new program or expenditure would occur only after a decision by the Town Council following public hearings.

### Private Tree Planting and Maintenance

The FY15 budget includes funds to continue the Town's Native Canopy Tree Planting Program and Private Canopy Tree Maintenance Program.

### Montgomery County Police

The FY15 budget maintains funding for 24-hour off-duty police coverage.

### Open Space Acquisition

Open space acquisition is a priority for the Town Council and will be considered on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the Town's established policies and procedures. The FY15 budget does not include a specific allocation for this initiative since it is difficult to predict opportunities and associated costs.

### Street Lighting

The FY15 budget includes \$15,000 for new street lights. The Council will continue to research alternative lighting technologies, including LED technology, and broader upgrades.

### Sidewalk Snow Removal

The FY15 budget maintains funding for public sidewalk snow removal when snow accumulates to 3 inches or more.

The Town Council wants to hear your thoughts on these proposals as well as the FY15 budget as a whole. You are welcome to share your comments at the public hearing on the proposed budget at the Town's Annual Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on May 6. You also are welcome to submit your comments by e-mail to [townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org](mailto:townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org) or by mail to Town Office, 4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

## FY15 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

The Town Council recently approved the proposed budget for fiscal year 2015. At the May 6 Annual Meeting, the Town will hold a public hearing during which residents may comment on the proposed \$4.4 million combined operating and capital budgets and the proposed property tax rate of \$0 for FY15. Following the public hearing, the Council will adopt the budget, with any modifications to which it agrees, at the May Town Council meeting.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW & BUDGET OVERVIEW

Over the years, the Town has maintained fiscal soundness through careful planning, including maintaining a healthy reserve balance to fund capital improvements and provide for emergencies or unforeseen expenditures. The Town continues to enjoy sound financial health. Current projections indicate that income tax revenues for this year will be slightly higher than the amount projected in the Town's FY14 budget. The FY15 budget assumes stable income tax revenue.

### 2014 FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Revenues

- Total operating revenues are estimated to be \$4,317,860, over budget by \$252,860 due primarily to an increase in income tax revenue.

#### Expenditures

- Total operating expenditures are expected to be \$2,764,714, under budget by \$8,286.
- Total capital project expenditures are expected to be \$830,500. The Town expended capital funds primarily for infrastructure repairs, new tree plantings and a new generator.

### 2015 BUDGET OVERVIEW

#### Revenues

- Total operating revenues are budgeted at \$4,325,000, of which \$4 million is projected income tax revenue.
- Town revenue sources: 92.5% from income taxes (\$4 million), 1.7% from highway user taxes (\$76,000), and 5.8% from other sources (\$249,000), including Montgomery County tax duplication reimbursement, cable TV franchise fees, permit fees and interest income.

#### Expenditures

- Total operating expenditures are budgeted at \$3,489,500. The FY15 operating budget includes funds for services related to the Purple Line, environmental initiatives, charitable contributions and 24-hour police coverage.
- Total capital expenditures are budgeted at \$917,500. The FY15 capital budget includes funds for anticipated infrastructure repairs, new street lights and park improvements.
- Total FY15 budgeted expenditures are more than total budgeted revenues by \$82,000. The Town will use monies from the General Fund to cover the shortfall.

Comprehensive budget documents are available for review in the Town Office and on the Town website: [www.townofchevy Chase.org](http://www.townofchevy Chase.org)

## FY15 Proposed Budget

| Budget Summary                            | FY13<br>Actual                          | FY14<br>Budget   | FY14<br>Estimated<br>Actual | FY15<br>Budget   |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| <b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>                 |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Taxes</b>                              |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| Income Taxes                              | 4,364,952                               | 3,800,000        | 3,964,000                   | 4,000,000        |
| Highway User Taxes                        | 21,406                                  | 23,000           | 61,000                      | 76,000           |
| Property Taxes @ \$0 for FY15             | 121,667                                 | -                | 526                         | -                |
| <b>Subtotal - Taxes</b>                   | <b>4,508,025</b>                        | <b>3,823,000</b> | <b>4,025,526</b>            | <b>4,076,000</b> |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Reimbursements and Bank Shares</b>     | <b>170,238</b>                          | <b>130,500</b>   | <b>130,797</b>              | <b>130,500</b>   |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Permit Fees and Cable TV Revenue</b>   | <b>108,511</b>                          | <b>96,000</b>    | <b>96,000</b>               | <b>96,000</b>    |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Other Revenue</b>                      | <b>115,933</b>                          | <b>15,500</b>    | <b>65,537</b>               | <b>22,500</b>    |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>           | <b>4,902,707</b>                        | <b>4,065,000</b> | <b>4,317,860</b>            | <b>4,325,000</b> |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>             |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>General Government</b>                 |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| Administration                            | 1,059,434                               | 1,104,500        | 1,241,190                   | 1,426,000        |
| Civic Affairs and Community Programs      | 119,530                                 | 369,000          | 225,500                     | 703,000          |
| <b>Subtotal - General Government</b>      | <b>1,178,964</b>                        | <b>1,473,500</b> | <b>1,466,690</b>            | <b>2,129,000</b> |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Public Safety and Code Enforcement</b> | <b>500,285</b>                          | <b>506,000</b>   | <b>460,000</b>              | <b>505,000</b>   |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>Public Works</b>                       |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| Sanitation and Waste Removal              | 298,492                                 | 300,500          | 366,674                     | 364,500          |
| Parks, Grounds and Trees                  | 301,378                                 | 336,500          | 259,350                     | 274,000          |
| Streets and Roads                         | 134,686                                 | 156,500          | 212,000                     | 217,000          |
| <b>Subtotal - Public Works</b>            | <b>734,556</b>                          | <b>793,500</b>   | <b>838,024</b>              | <b>855,500</b>   |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>       | <b>2,413,805</b>                        | <b>2,773,000</b> | <b>2,764,714</b>            | <b>3,489,500</b> |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>               |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| Streets and Roads                         | 222,650                                 | 305,000          | 655,000                     | 670,000          |
| Parks, Grounds and Trees                  | 49,028                                  | 147,500          | 25,000                      | 232,500          |
| Facilities and Equipment                  | 33,860                                  | 180,000          | 150,500                     | 15,000           |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>         | <b>305,538</b>                          | <b>632,500</b>   | <b>830,500</b>              | <b>917,500</b>   |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>CHANGE TO GENERAL FUND BALANCE</b>     | <b>2,183,364</b>                        | <b>659,500</b>   | <b>722,646</b>              | <b>(82,000)</b>  |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
| <b>ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE</b>        | <b>8,172,981</b>                        | <b>8,832,481</b> | <b>8,895,627</b>            | <b>8,813,627</b> |
|                                           |                                         |                  |                             |                  |
|                                           | <b>FY15 Contingent Reserve</b>          |                  | <b>1,730,000</b>            |                  |
|                                           | <b>Capital Improvement Plan Reserve</b> |                  | <b>7,083,627</b>            |                  |

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*Kathy Strom, Vice Mayor*

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*David Lublin, Treasurer*

*John Bickerman, Community Liaison*

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## ELECTION AND ANNUAL MEETING ISSUE

2014 Election and FY15 Budget Information Enclosed

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