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**City of Virginia Beach
Adopted Operating Budget
Fiscal Year 2010-11**



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About this document...

The Resource Management Plan is comprised of three volumes: The Resource Management Plan, Operating Budget, and Capital Improvement Program. These volumes are interrelated and help to support and define each other. The three volumes are considered and adopted by the City Council together as an integrated whole.

Resource Management Plan – this volume provides a comprehensive overview of the policies, both service and fiscal, which guide the development and implementation of the annual operating budget, the capital budget and the five planning years of the capital improvement program. It includes a forecast of expenses, resources, and trends, as well as brief highlights of the new or expanded programs or projects. This document is designed to provide the reader with a quick and comprehensive understanding of the financing strategies of the government.

Operating Budget – this volume provides detailed information on the City's anticipated spending needs for the upcoming fiscal year, beginning July 1st through June 30th. It provides detailed discussions of revenues and expenses. The Operating Budget document is organized into sections based on the seven business areas of the government. Departments are assigned to each of the business areas.

Capital Improvement Program (CIP) – this volume is comprised of the annual Capital Budget (year 1 of the six year plan) and five planning years (years 2 through 6). The CIP is organized into sections based on the seven business areas of the government. The functional sections of Roadways, Buildings, Coastal, Economic and Tourism, Schools, Parks and Recreation, Water Utilities, Sewer Utilities, Storm Water Utilities and Communications and Information Technology are assigned to their appropriate business area. Within each functional area, each project page includes a brief description of the project, a financing plan, and a locational map.

The reader should be aware that the Resource Management Plan provides a good description of how resources are used by the government and the policies which guide that use, but for a complete understanding of the detailed spending plans, one needs to reference all three documents. The complete Resource Management Plan is available in the City's libraries, at City Hall, and on the Internet. To see the Resource Management Plan on the internet, go to www.vbgov.com.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catheryn R. Whitesell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C'.

Catheryn R. Whitesell, Director
Department of Management Services