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NEW CITY OF COVINGTON FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY CENTER AVAILABLE ONLINE

Covington, WA - The City of Covington has developed an online Financial Transparency Center through a partnership with ClearGov, a municipal transparency and benchmarking platform. The new tool aims to bring clarity to the city's finances through an infographic-based look at the city's budget and other demographics.

The overall goal of the new transparency center is to present an easy-to-understand, visual breakdown of the city's finances as well as to provide Covington taxpayers with easy access to the city's financial data.

"This new tool turns our 150+ page budget document into a much easier to understand and interactive format that allows users to view different city funds, as well as revenues and expenditures for the past 12 years," said Covington's Mayor Jeff Wagner.

Users can navigate through the past several years of the city's revenues and expenditures, including what taxes the city collects, per capita income and expenditures, and a variety of easy-to-read graphs and charts.

The city of Covington's new Transparency Center can be accessed by online by visiting www.covingtonwa.gov/city_departments/finance.php. The city's standard budget documents are also available for viewing on the same webpage.

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