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CITY RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD

Bainbridge Island, Wash., (October, 2017) – The Government Finance Officers Association (GFAO) has announced that the City of Bainbridge Island has once again received the GFAO's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

According to the GFAO, "the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award represents a significant achievement by the entity. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America."

To receive the budget award, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well a budget serves as:

- a policy document
- a financial plan
- an operations guide
- a communications device

Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories, and in the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.

"Receiving the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award reflects the City's ongoing commitment to fiscal planning, responsibility, and transparency," said City Manager Doug Schulze.

The most recent Budget Award recipients, along with their corresponding budget documents, are posted quarterly on [GFAO's website](#). For more information on the City's budget visit the [Finance Department page](#) on the City website.

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