

Monday, December 4, 2017
City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Council Chambers - First Floor
212 Third Avenue

1. Meeting Opening

Subject : A. Call to Order
Meeting : Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Information

File Attachments

[public comment policy.pdf \(75 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda

Subject : A. Approval of Minutes
Meeting : Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc112017.pdf \(123 KB\)](#)

Consent

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Bills and Payroll as presented

Public Content

File Attachments

[Accts Pay 12-04-17.pdf \(342 KB\)](#)
[apsummary 12-04-17.pdf \(966 KB\)](#)

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8. Business Items

Subject :	A. Tax Levy Ordinance #2017-12-29
Meeting :	Dec 4, 2017 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Pass Ordinance #2017-12-29 Tax Levy Ordinance in the Amount of \$4,729,694, which is a 2.95% increase.

Public Content

The projected Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) of the City is projected to increase 3.3%. This will provide a 3.3% increase for levies such as police protections and fire protection if the levy rate remains unchanged. It should be noted the State is reducing personal property tax replacement funds to cities and will be cutting income tax transfers by 10% in an attempt to address its own budget issues.

The pension funds do not have levy rate caps under State Statutes. The pension funds tax levies have grown far faster than inflation and EAV growth, for many years. Last year, the actuary recommended a minimum contribution to the fire pension fund of \$1,159,533 compared to \$1,132,888 for the prior year. This is a

\$26,493 increase over last year, or a 2.34% increase. amount represents 99.8% of payroll. This is the smallest fire pension increase since 2008-09 with the exception of a slight decrease in 2011-12. This reflects the fire pension funds improved investment performance this year and additional capital in the fund due to past increased contributions using the actuaries recommendations.

The actuary recommends a minimum contribution to the police pension fund of \$ 1,137,726 this year versus \$ 1,058,614 the prior year. This is a \$79,065 or 7.5% increase over the prior year. amount represents 71% of payroll. This is the 3rd lowest increase since 2011-12. This reflects the police pension funds improved investment performance this year and additional capital in the fund due to past increased contributions using the actuaries recommendations.

Staff is proposed a recommended tax levy estimate of \$4,729,694, an increase of \$135,704 or 2.95% at the November 6th Council Meeting. Because the overall EAV increased 3.3% and the levy *amount* is proposed to increase 2.95%, the proposed property tax *rate* is actually *lower*. Thus, if the median home value of an owner occupied home of \$83,300 remained unchanged, the owner would see a decrease of \$2.14 for the year in the City portion of the property taxes.

A copy of the 2017 Tax Levy Ordinance is attached for your review.

File Attachments

[2017-12-29 tax levy.pdf \(107 KB\)](#)