
City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Finance

FROM: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance

MEETING: October 19, 2026

SUBJECT:

Consider and take possible action on a resolution approving the 2026 tax rolls; and declaring an effective date. (*Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance*)

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AND GOAL(S):

Strategic Priority	Strategic Goal
 High Performing City Organization Providing Exceptional, People Focused Services	1.4 Be a responsible steward of the city's financial resources by providing rates and fees that represent a strong value to our citizens; providing timely, accurate and transparent financial reporting; and utilizing long-range planning.

SUMMARY:

Texas Property Tax Code Section 26.09(e) requires the City Council to approve the appraisal roll with the tax amounts entered by the Assessor. Based on the values reflected in the Truth in Taxation Worksheet provided by the Johnson County Tax Assessor Collector and the adopted tax rate of \$0.7298, the total property tax levy is projected to be \$47,687,304.

On August 3, 2026, the City Manager formally filed the proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and provided a copy of the proposed budget to the City Council in accordance with the City's annual budget development and adoption process. The proposed budget establishes the financial framework for providing municipal services, funding operational priorities, and implementing the City Council's strategic objectives during the upcoming fiscal year.

At the August 10, 2026, Special City Council meeting, the City Manager presented the proposed budget to the City Council and members of the public. As part of the City's consideration of the proposed budget and property tax rate, the City Council voted to establish a proposed maximum tax rate for Tax Year 2026. Establishing the proposed maximum tax rate identifies the highest property tax rate the City Council may consider for adoption as the budget and tax rate process moves forward. The City Council may ultimately adopt a tax rate that is lower than the proposed

maximum tax rate but may not adopt a rate exceeding the proposed maximum without restarting the applicable statutory process.

The proposed resolution will approve the tax rolls for Tax Year 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the resolution approving the 2026 tax rolls.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

At the August 10, 2026, Special City Council meeting, the City Manager presented the proposed budget to the council and members of the public.

At the same meeting, the City Council approved a resolution proposing a maximum 2026 tax rate of \$0.7298 per \$100 value and set the date and time of the public hearing on the proposed tax rate for September 8, 2026.

At the September 8, 2026, Regular City Council meeting, council approved a motion setting the 2026 tax rate of \$0.7298 per \$100 value.

At the September 14, 2026, Special City Council meeting, council approved a motion setting the 2026 tax rate of \$0.7298 per \$100 value.

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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