

**2026 CALENDAR
CITY OF COLUMBIA HEIGHTS
2027 BUDGET PROCESS**

On or before

April 15	Preparation guidelines provided to City departments by city manager and finance director.
June 15	Department-proposed budgets finalized.
July 1 – 17	Division heads, and other staff as applicable, meet individually with the city manager to review their respective proposed departmental budgets.
August 10-21	Approximate date the Fiscal Disparities Levy is published by Anoka County.
August 24	Submission of city manager’s proposed budget and levy to the City Council at a regular meeting.
September 8	A summary presentation by finance director on the proposed 2027 budget at the City Council work session.
September 14	The City Council adopts by resolution a proposed budget and property tax levy and the date of the final budget meeting. The final levy cannot exceed this proposed levy, but it can be less.
September 30	Last date to certify to the County Auditor the proposed budget, property tax levy, and final budget meeting date.
October 5	Council work session on 2027 budget, with presentations by departments
November 2	Council work session on 2027 budget, with presentations by departments
November 18-25	The approximate date that the County Auditor will send a parcel specific notice to property owners showing the proposed 2027 property taxes and the date of the public meeting.
December 14	Public meeting to review the budget and final tax levy, as part of a regularly scheduled meeting.
December 15	Certification of the final tax levy and adopted budget to the County Auditor. This must be certified on or before five working days after December 20.
December 20	Certification of the tax levy and the public hearing to the Minnesota Department of Revenue.
January 31	Certification of 2027 budget data to the Minnesota Office of the State Auditor, and newspaper publication of summary budget comparison for 2027 and 2026.