

To: Common Council and Management Team

From: Rachelle Blitch, Finance Director

Re: 2026 Budget Review Timeline

The Finance Committee will conduct a detailed review of the 2026-2027 Budget Proposal as follows:

Thursday, Oct 9th 5 p.m. **Special Finance Committee Meeting** to review the following budgets:

Rachelle B., Kelly F., Ben M., Brad M., Brian N., Josh H., Mason B.

Budget	Staff	Budget Page
1. Fund 249 – Fire/EMS	Kelly F	
2. Fund 210 – Fire/Rescue Equipment Fund	Kelly F	
3. Fund 810 – Rescue Squad Equipment Fund	Kelly F	
4. Public Works		
a. Administration (53100)	Brad M	
b. Shop/Fleet Operations (53230)	Brian N	
c. Street Maintenance (53300)	Brian N	
d. Street Ice, Snow (53320)	Brian N	
e. Street Lights (53420)	Brian N	
5. Fund 215 – DPW Equipment Replacement	Brian N	
6. Fund 250 – Forestry	Brian N	
7. Fund 280 – Street Repair	Brian N	
8. Fund 230 – Solid Waste/Recycling	Brad M	
9. Fund 820 – Rock River Stormwater Group	Brad M	
10. Fund 630 – Stormwater Utility	Brad M	
11. Fund 620 – Wastewater Utility	Ben M	
12. Fund 610 – Water Utility	Josh H	
13. Neighborhood Service (52400)	Mason B	
14. Fund 900 – Economic Development	Mason B	
15. TIDs 10-14	Mason B	
16. Fund 920 – Innovation Center	Mason B	

Tuesday, Oct 14th 6:30 p.m. **Special Finance Committee Meeting** to review the following budgets:

Rachelle B., Dan M., Kevin B.

Budget	Staff	Budget Page
1. Police		
a. Administration (52100)	Dan M	28
b. Patrol (52110)	Dan M	29
c. Investigation (52120)	Dan M	30
d. Community Services (52140)	Dan M	30
e. Communications/Dispatch (52600)	Dan M	31
f. Emergency Preparedness (52500)	Dan M	6
2. Fund 216 – Vehicle Replacement	Dan M	46
3. Fund 295 – Police Dept Trust Fund	Dan M	57
4. Parks & Recreation		
a. Parks Administration (55200)	Kevin B	41
b. Parks Maintenance (53270)	Kevin B	41
c. Facilities (51600, 55111)	Kevin B	39-40
d. Community Events (55320)	Kevin B	42
e. Cooperative Projects (55330)	Kevin B	42
5. Fund 217 – Building Repair	Kevin B	47
6. Fund 225 – Skate Park	Kevin B	48
7. Fund 240 – Parkland Acquisition	Kevin B	50
8. Fund 245 – Parkland Development	Kevin B	51
9. Fund 246 – Field of Dreams	Kevin B	75
10. Fund 247 – Aquatic Center	Kevin B	77
11. Fund 248 – Park & Recreation Special Revenue	Kevin B	84
12. Fund 452 – Bridge Fountain	Kevin B	91
13. Fund 459 – Depot Restoration	Kevin B	92

Wednesday, Oct 15th 5 p.m. **Special Finance Committee Meeting** to review the following budgets:

Rachelle B., Diane J., Becky M.

Budget	Staff	Budget Page
1. Library (220, 55111)	Diane J	
2. General Fund Overview		
a. Revenue	Rachelle B	
b. Expenditures	Rachelle B	
3. Administration		
a. General Administration (51400)	Rachelle B	
b. Legislative Support (51100)	Rachelle B	
c. Contingencies (51110)	Rachelle B	

d. Legal (51300)	Rachelle B	
e. Municipal Court (51200)	Rachelle B	
f. IT (51450)	Rachelle B	
g. Finance (51500)	Rachelle B	
h. Insurance/Risk Management (51540)	Rachelle B	
4. Fund 214 – Elections	Heather B	
5. Fund 200 – Media Services	Becky M	
6. Fund 208 – Parking Permits	Rachelle B	
7. Fund 235 – Rideshare Grant Program	Rachelle B	
8. Fund 260 – Sick Leave Severance	Rachelle B	
9. Fund 269 – Health Ins SIR	Rachelle B	
10. Fund 271 – Insurance SIR	Rachelle B	
11. Fund 272 – Lakes Improvements	Kevin B	
12. Fund 450 – Capital Project Fund	Rachelle B	
13. Capital Improvement Program	Rachelle B	
14. Fund 300 – Debt Service	Rachelle B	
15. Transfers – General Fund	Rachelle B	
16. Proposed Revisions based on review feedback		
17. Recommendation to full council for approval		

Tuesday, Oct 21st 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting. City Manager presents requested budget to Council on a high-level

Monday, Oct 27th

Deliver Public Notice to Whitewater Register (Class 1 public notice, >15 days prior to public hearing)

Thursday, Oct 30th

Public Notice publication date

Tuesday, Nov 4th 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting. Present recommended budget containing cumulative revisions/final adjustments to full Council

Tuesday, Nov 18th 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting. Public Hearing and Formal Adoption of the 2026-2027 Budget and the 2026 Tax Levy

Mid-December

Publish approved 2026-2027 Budget document (final revised) to Common Council, citizens and department heads. Post on City's website.