

Memorandum

TO: City Council
FROM: Kevin Knopik , Finance Director
DATE: December 15, 2025
SUBJECT: Adopt 2026 tax levy (City, HRA and EDA)

ITEM NUMBER: 10.c
SECTION: GENERAL BUSINESS

REQUESTED MOTION

To adopt proposed resolution number 25-95 adopting a City tax levy of \$18,565,257 and an HRA tax levy of \$325,000 for taxes payable in 2026.

INTRODUCTION

The attached resolution provides for the adoption of the 2026 Property Tax Levy, and the attached 2026 final tax levy provides a two-year comparison of the tax levy for all funds.

DISCUSSION

The proposed 2026 city tax levy is \$18,565,257 and the proposed HRA tax levy is \$325,000. The city council has reviewed the proposed budget at workshop meetings in August and November and at the Truth in Taxation hearing that was held on December 1.

The increase in the levy is due primarily to increases in the police contract (\$441,760), fire services (\$419,762), staff changes and wage adjustments (\$516,308) and contractual costs (\$259,225). The City's total tax levy increases \$1,492,629 and the HRA levy remains the same as in 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the attached resolution 25-95 adopting the 2026 tax levy for the City, HRA and EDA.

ATTACHMENTS

[Resolution 25-95 Pay 2026 Final Levy.pdf](#)
[2026 Tax Levy Summary.pdf](#)