



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 4.A.
For Meeting of: November 12, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Public hearing and Ordinances pertaining to Ad Valorem Taxes (property tax) to be levied for collection in fiscal year 2026

SUBMITTED BY: *Craig Warner, Director of Finance and Budget
Kimberly Domine, Financial Services Manager

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

Pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comments and input regarding the proposed 2026 property tax levy, including any potential increase over 2025 levels. Feedback from this hearing will help the Council determine the final property tax rate for 2026.

This agenda item includes two ordinances:

- Ordinance A: Authorizes a proposed 1% increase in the property tax levy above 2025 levels, as allowed by law. Requires a simple majority vote.
- Ordinance B: Establishes the maximum property tax levy for 2026 to fund the City's budget. Requires a super-majority vote (minimum five Council members).

ITEM BUDGETED: N/A

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Resilient Yakima

RECOMMENDATION: Conduct the public hearing and pass both ordinances by separate motion.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Ordinance A 2026_property tax levy](#)

[Ordinance B 2026_ad valorem taxes](#)

[2026 Levy.pdf](#)

[FY 2026 Property Tax Presentation.pptx](#)