



**CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES
LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM**

**Tuesday, November 25th, 2025
at 4:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: Councilors Geissler, Hjelle, LeBlanc, Peterson, and Mayor Boucher

ABSENT: None.

CITY STAFF: John Mulder, City Administrator; Joe Wicklund, Assistant City Administrator;

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2026 Budget Discussion

The meeting was called to discuss the proposed 2026 Budget. John Mulder reviewed the General Fund Budget and that the overall tax levy was increasing 10.28%. The total proposed levy is \$10,375,348. Approximately \$100,000 in expenditures is the equivalent of 1% of tax levy. The general fund relies heavily on the tax levy with the levy making up 89% of the total revenue for the general fund. The general consensus was that the City Council wanted to see a reduction in the size of the increase.

John Mulder pointed out that personnel costs make up 64% of the general fund. He reviewed the proposed capital improvement planned for the general fund. The Council also reviewed the total transfers out. The transfers out funded by tax levy included \$535,000 for capital improvements, \$50,000 to Park Dedication, and \$50,000 for Municipal Building Reserve.

The City Council members asked about other funding sources. The City's LGA was increasing only just over \$2,000. The Council asked about Licensee & Permits, Charges for Services, and Investment Income.

After discussion, the general consensus was to reduce the contingency by \$100,000, eliminate the transfer the Park Dedication Fund (\$50,000), and increase the investment income by \$100,000.

Recess

Motion by LeBlanc, second by Hjelle to recess the meeting at 5:38 p.m. All ayes Motion Carried.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator