



ANKENY CITY COUNCIL

Special Meeting
Monday, April 7, 2025
5:00 PM

Ankeny Kirkendall Public Library - City Council Chambers
1250 SW District Drive, Ankeny, Iowa

Bobbi Bentz, Mayor
Todd Shafer, Mayor Pro Tem

Council Members: Dustin Graber, Jeff Perry, Joe Ruddy, Kelly Stearns

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ELECTRONIC MEETING INFORMATION

<https://zoom.us/j/97312992966?pwd=OEFocWZGS0NYUmtmVHNxcWZFak9Pd09>

Meeting ID: 973 1299 2966
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PROCEDURAL ACTIONS:

Call to Order: Bobbi Bentz, Mayor
Roll Call: Michelle Yuska, City Clerk

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1. Consider motion to approve and accept the April 7, 2025 special meeting agenda, without amendment.

B. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

1. PH 2025-28 Proposed Property Tax Levy for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Consider motion to close Public Hearing 2025-28.

C. ADJOURNMENT



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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
City Clerk

COUNCIL GOAL

ACTION REQUESTED
Motion
LEGAL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CITY MANAGER/STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

PREVIOUS COUNCIL/COMMISSION/BOARD ACTION(S)

FISCAL IMPACT

PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS

ACTION REQUESTED

ATTACHMENTS

None



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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
City Manager's Office

COUNCIL GOAL
Exercise Financial Discipline

ACTION REQUESTED

Public Hearing

LEGAL

No review required

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Chapter 24.2A, Code of Iowa, approved during the 2023 legislative session, requires a public hearing on the proposed property tax levy. This public hearing must be held at a separate council meeting and no other business may be discussed. This public hearing must be held prior to proceeding with the public hearing and adoption of the fiscal year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 budget.

The proposed property tax levy of \$9.90 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation has been submitted to the Iowa Department of Management and the Polk County Auditor has mailed individual statements to property owners with the required information, including the date and time of this public hearing.

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, the proposed property tax levy. There is no action required following the public hearing. The public hearing does not approve the fiscal year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 property tax levy. This action will take place with the adoption of the budget on April 21, 2025.

CITY MANAGER/STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommend that the City Council hold the public hearing on the proposed property tax levy for fiscal year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL/COMMISSION/BOARD ACTION(S)

The proposed property tax levy was discussed at the operating funds budget workshop on February 10, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed property tax levy for fiscal year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 of \$9.90 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation generates total property taxes of \$57,387,771 across all funds (general, police and fire retirement, other employee benefits and debt service).

PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS

Notice of public hearing was posted on the City's website, along with an electronic link to such notice on each of the City's social media accounts.

ACTION REQUESTED

Consider motion to close Public Hearing 2025-28.

ATTACHMENTS

1. PH Coversheet
2. Notice of Public Hearing



PUBLIC HEARING 2025-28 5:00 P.M. APRIL 7, 2025

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2026

Mayor:

This is the time and place for a public hearing on the proposed property tax levy for fiscal year July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

Notice of this hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on the 21st day of March 2025.

Mayor:

“Has any written correspondence been received regarding the proposed property tax levy?”

City Clerk:

None in the Clerk’s Office.

Mayor:

“I would like to request, at this time, Jennifer Sease, Administrative Services Director, provide a report to the Council on the proposed property tax levy.”

After Staff Report:

“Is there anyone present who wishes to be heard for or against the proposed property tax levy?” Inform them to come to the podium or if attending electronically raise your electronic hand or press *9. When called upon, please give name and address for the record.

Consider **MOTION** to close public hearing 2025-28.

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 4/7/2025 **Meeting Time:** 05:00 PM **Meeting Location:** Ankeny Kirkendall Public Library Council Chambers

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)
www.ankeny.iowa.gov

City Telephone Number
(515) 965-6400

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Property Tax	Certified 2024 - 2025	Budget Year Property Tax	Effective 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Property Tax	Proposed 2025 - 2026
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service		5,388,440,837		5,699,173,099		5,699,173,099
Consolidated General Fund		32,451,508		32,451,508		33,649,856
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit		0		0		0
Aviation Authority		709,981		709,981		734,794
Liability, Property & Self Insurance		0		0		0
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.		0		0		0
Unified Law Enforcement		0		0		0
Police & Fire Retirement		2,963,642		2,963,642		3,134,545
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)		0		0		0
Other Employee Benefits		1,055,111		1,055,111		1,805,099
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)		0		0		0
Taxable Value for Debt Service		5,693,720,458		6,016,035,716		6,016,035,716
Debt Service		17,081,161		17,081,161		18,048,107
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX		54,261,403		54,261,403		57,372,401
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE		9.90000		9.36307		9.90000
Taxable Value for City Ag Land		4,765,403		5,116,760		5,116,760
Ag Land		14,314		14,314		15,370
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE		3.00375		2.79747		3.00375
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed						
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year	Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year	Proposed 2025/2026	Percent	Change
City Regular Residential		459		517		12.64
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year	Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year	Proposed 2025/2026	Percent	Change
City Regular Commercial		2,025		2,308		13.98

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and commercial properties have the same rollback percentage through \$150,000 of actual/assessed valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:

The proposed property tax levy for fiscal year 2026 will remain at \$9.90 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. However, additional revenue is necessary to maintain service levels, complete staffing for Fire Station No. 4, and address the financial impact of recent property tax legislation.