



**AGENDA**  
CITY OF AUGUSTA  
Council Meeting  
August 12, 2019  
6:00 P.M.

*“Augusta – Where the metro’s edge meets the prairie’s serenity offering the perfect blend of opportunity and proximity for living, commerce and culture.”*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. BUSINESS**

**1. PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2020 BUDGET**

Conduct a public hearing to take input from the public on the City’s proposed 2020 Budget; Consider approval of an Ordinance establishing the maximum property tax dollar amount for the Library Fund and Library Employee Benefit Fund; Consider approval of the proposed 2020 Budget.

- a) Staff Report
- b) Council Motion/Vote
- c) Staff Report
- d) **Open Public Hearing**
- e) **Close Public Hearing**
- f) Council Discussion
- g) Library Property Tax Dollar Ordinance
  - i. **Council Motion/Vote**
- h) 2020 Budget
  - i. **Council Motion/Vote**

**C. ADJOURNMENT**



**CITY OF AUGUSTA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

Meeting Date: August 12, 2019  
 Department: Administration  
 Submitted By: Josh Shaw, City Manager  
 Prepared By: Josh Shaw, City Manager  
 Agenda Title: Public Hearing for 2019 Budget

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

- b) Conduct a public hearing to take input and comment on the Proposed 2020 Budget.
- e(i) Consider approval of Ordinance 2154 establishing the maximum property tax dollar amount for the Library Fund and Library Employee Benefit Fund
- f(i) Consider approval of the proposed 2020 Budget

**BACKGROUND:**

As part of the process to approve the 2020 Budget, the City Council must first hold a public hearing to take input on the proposed budget. Attached is a copy of the public hearing notice that was published in the Butler County Times Gazette July 27, 2019. The 2020 proposed budget includes a larger allocation for the Augusta Public Library to make market adjustments for employee wages. In order to formally approve the proposed budget with the additional allocation for the library, you must first approve a new ordinance adjusting the property tax dollar cap for the library and library employee benefit funds.

**ANALYSIS:**

The mill levy that was published in the notice is based upon the estimated valuation that is provided by Butler County. The City is required to use this number even though it does not take into consideration the known pending tax exemptions that will lower the valuation. The valuation number and mill levy will be adjusted by the County and become final in November. As shown in the attached hearing notice, the amount of property taxes to be levied for 2020 totals \$3,448,017, representing a projected mill levy of 56.316 mills. The proposed mill levy is a 1.23 mill increase from the 2019 Budget mill levy of 55.086 based on the direction provided by the governing body during the budget work sessions. The Council may choose to lower the proposed expenditures but the expenses cannot exceed the amount published in the Public Hearing Notice.

**Department Head Approval Date:**

**City Manager Approval Date:** 8/9/2020

**Attachments** (*list in packet assembly order*):

1. 2020 Proposed Budget Summary (Public Hearing Notice as Published)
2. Proposed Ordinance No. 2154

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**

2020

The governing body of

**City of Augusta**

will meet on 8/12/19 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

Proposed Budget 2020 Expenditures and Amount of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2020 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2018		Current Year Estimate for 2019		Proposed Budget Year for 2020		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2019 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate *
General	5,566,614	27.049	5,601,646	21.625	6,521,810	1,541,277	25.173
Debt Service	739,760	5.432	691,000	5.551	555,700	280,210	4.577
Library	271,392	4.099	289,955	4.452	313,280	282,280	4.610
Library Employee Benefits	81,800	1.286	81,678	1.283	86,890	82,810	1.353
Employee Benefits	1,285,216	17.534	1,478,200	22.175	1,719,929	1,261,440	20.603
Special Highway	244,686		293,100		607,275		
Special Alcohol	27,959		29,000		24,500		
Convention & Tourism	21,844		18,100		18,500		
Special Parks	48,952		128,000		57,500		
Cemetery Endowment	7,500		30,000		10,000		
Street Sales Tax	1,435,737		986,900		2,970,000		
Industrial Development					200,000		
Capital Improvements	576,494		613,500		680,500		
Solid Waste Bond & Interest	125,700		128,600		126,400		
Emergency Comm (2012)	14,225		43,000		49,000		
Emergency Communications	33,319		15,000				
Water Sales Tax			462,000		950,000		
Water Bond P&I	916,481		1,252,200		593,421		
Electric Reserve	343,257		200,000		300,000		
Electric Bond P&I	529,894		536,000		531,094		
Wastewater Reserve	127,154		875,000				
Wastewater Treatment Plant	1,196,020		775,140		914,500		
Equipment Reserve	0		0		150,000		
Solid Waste	839,299		865,300		994,900		
Water	1,957,472		2,220,225		2,234,850		
Electric	9,636,816		9,704,900		10,470,850		
Wastewater	526,648		624,350		642,150		
Airport	470,842		501,940		521,125		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	104,773						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	140,146						
Non-Budgeted Funds-C	2,915,394						
Non-Budgeted Funds-D	1,268,843						
Non-Budgeted Funds-E	0						
Non-Budgeted Funds-F	139,895						
Non-Budgeted Funds-G	139,036						
Totals	31,733,169	55.400	28,444,734	55.086	32,244,174	3,448,017	56.316
Less: Transfers	5,160,144		5,179,800		4,686,300		
Net Expenditure	26,573,025		23,264,934		27,557,874		
Total Tax Levied	3,197,550		3,274,100		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed							
Valuation	57,718,024		59,437,216		61,226,987		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
January 1,	2017		2018		2019		
G.O. Bonds	24,355,000		22,295,000		20,185,000		
Revenue Bonds	1,825,000		1,235,000		650,000		
Other	831,000		2,261,000		2,219,683		
Lease Purchase Principal	173,756		79,081		62,761		
Total	27,184,756		25,870,081		23,117,444		

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills

Erica L. Jones

City Official Title: City Clerk / Director of Finance

(Summary Published in the Butler County Times-Gazette  
on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019)

THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX  
DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR THE LIBRARY FUND AND LIBRARY  
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND FOR THE AUGUSTA PUBLIC LIBRARY OF  
THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the Augusta Public Library was created under K.S.A. 12-1218 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A.12-1220 provides that a governing body "is hereby authorized to and shall annually levy a tax for the maintenance of such library in such sum as the library board shall determine within the limitations fixed by law"; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with K.S.A. 12-1220, the governing body of the City of Augusta, Kansas desired to establish a maximum Property Tax Dollar Amount for the Library Fund as a limit of taxes to be levied for the maintenance of said Augusta Public Library; and

WHEREAS, a Library Employee Benefits Fund was established by City of Augusta Ordinance No. 1752, in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 12-16, 102, to assist with employee benefit costs for Augusta Public Library employees, including Social Security, Medicare, Worker's Compensation, Unemployment Insurance, health care costs, employee benefit plans and employee retirement and pension programs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 12-16, 102(d), the governing body of the City of Augusta, Kansas desires to establish a maximum Property Tax Dollar Amount for said Library Employee Benefits Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS:

Section 1. Maximum Library Fund Tax Dollar Amount

In accordance with K.S.A. 12-1220, the governing body of the City of Augusta, Kansas hereby establishes as a limit of taxes to be levied for the maintenance of the Augusta Public Library a maximum Property Tax Dollar amount for the Library Fund not to exceed \$282,280 per year.

Section 2. Maximum Library Employee Benefit Fund Mill Levy

In accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 12-16, 102(d), the governing body of the City of Augusta, Kansas hereby establishes a maximum Property Tax Dollar amount for the Library Employee Benefits Fund not to exceed \$82,810 per year.

Section 3. Repeal

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. However, any section of an existing ordinance not in conflict herewith is not repealed and remains in full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after publication in the official city newspaper.

Passed by the City Council this 12th day of August, 2019.

Approved by the Mayor this 12th day of August, 2019.

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MAYOR, MIKE L. RAWLINGS

SEAL

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK, ERICA L. JONES