



City of Muscatine
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall Council Chambers
April 7, 2026, 5:00 PM

Brad Bark, Mayor

Don Lampe, 1st Ward
Jeff Osborne, 2nd Ward
Peggy Gordon, 3rd Ward

Nadine Brockert, 4th Ward
John Jindrich, 5th Ward

Angie Lewis, At Large
Matt Conard, At Large
Matthew Mardesen, City
Administrator
Cinda Hilger, City Clerk
Brent Hinders, City Attorney

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public Hearing on Proposed City of Muscatine Property Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

4. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:
Meeting Date: 4/7/2026 **Meeting Time:** 05:00 PM **Meeting Location:** City Hall 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)
<https://www.muscatineiowa.gov/>

City Telephone Number
(563) 264-1550

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2026 - 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2026 - 2027
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	1,049,821,712	1,085,613,618	1,085,613,618
Consolidated General Fund	8,700,009	8,700,009	8,907,547
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	74,737	74,737	199,178
Aviation Authority	0	0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	511,673	511,673	523,331
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	1,622,720	1,622,720	1,651,989
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	964,639	964,639	994,824
Other Employee Benefits	2,618,213	2,618,213	3,002,243
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	1,128,584,004	1,154,743,523	1,154,743,523
Debt Service	2,425,372	2,425,372	2,423,968
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	16,917,363	16,917,363	17,703,080
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	15.95328	15.44948	16.17331
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	1,677,264	1,406,903	1,406,903
Ag Land	5,039	5,039	4,226
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	3.00375	3.58163	3.00375
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Residential	757	792	4.62
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial	3,289	3,700	12.50

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 levy increase is due to 1) continue basic General Fund services to residents; however, some of these services will be reduced due to limitations imposed by the State, 2) increased public transit costs, and 3) increased employee benefits costs.

