

Legislative File No: 2019-0397

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer, Ext 2534

DATE: September 9, 2019

SUBJECT: Adoption of 2019 Millage Rates

REQUEST:

In accordance with the City Charter Section 3.1 <u>Budget Procedure and General Finance</u>, Section 3.6 <u>Adoption of a Budget</u>, Section 4.1 <u>Power to Tax and Special Revenue</u>, and Section 4.2 <u>Charter Tax</u> <u>Rate & Special Voted Millage(s) Limitation</u> we are requesting that City Council approve the Proposed 2019 Millage Rates (to be levied in December 2019), which will provide the tax revenues needed to support the Proposed FY 2020 Budget.

BACKGROUND:

The Proposed 2019 Millage Rates listed below will generate the tax revenues needed to support the Proposed FY 2020 Budget.

City Council has scheduled Public Hearings for September 9, 2019 to allow for public comment on the 2020 Proposed Budget and Millage Rates required supporting the Proposed FY 2020 Budget.

Following the 2020 Proposed Budget Public Hearing and 2020 Proposed Millage Rate Public Hearing, we are proposing City Council adopt and authorize the Proposed 2019 Millage Rates (to be levied in December 2019), which will provide the tax revenues needed to support the Proposed FY 2020 Budget as listed below:

PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES		
Operating Millages:	2019	
General Fund (Charter)	2.6582	
Local Street I (Voted)	0.3418	
Local Street II (Voted)	0.4683	
Local Street III (Voted)	0.2864	
Fire Fund (Charter)	2.7000	
Special Police I (Voted)	1.1655	
Special Police II (Voted)	1.1640	
Pathway (Voted)	0.1789	
RARA Operating (Voted)	0.1878	
OPC Operating (Voted)	0.2316	
OPC Transportation (Voted)	0.0963	
Library Operating (Charter)	0.7545	
Operating - Subtotal	10.2333	
Debt Millages:		
Chapter 20 Drain Debt	0.0372	
OPC Building (Voted)	0.1900	
Debt - Subtotal	0.2272	
TOTAL MILLAGES	10.4605	

If approved by City Council, this will mark the 5th year in a row of maintaining the same bottom line City millage rate of 10.4605.

Pursuant to the requirements of the State Tax Commission, municipalities must file State form L-4029, tax rate request, with the Oakland County Department of Equalization by October 1, 2019. The City is also required to file form LT-1, Annual Report of Taxes, with Oakland County on or before October 1, 2019. In addition, the City is required, by Charter, to conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the City's Budget prior to November 1, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend that City Council approve the Proposed 2019 Millage Rates (to be levied in December 2019), which will provide the tax revenues needed to support the Proposed FY 2020 Budget.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney □ Yes

⊠ N/A