CITY OF ST. AUGUSTA
COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING
August 18, 2026
7:00 pm

AGENDA

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4. **2027 Preliminary Budget Draft** *(17)*
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6. **Council Member Comments/Purview**
7. **Administrator's Report**
8. **Adjourn**

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Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 1, 2026
City Council Work Session Meeting, Tuesday, September 15, 2026
Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, October 6, 2026
City Council Work Session Meeting, Tuesday, October 20, 2026
General Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, November 10, 2026
City Council Work Session Meeting, Tuesday, November 24, 2026

To: **Mayor Jeff Schmitz and Members of the St. Augusta City Council**
From: **Jennifer Nash, City Administrator**
Date: **August 13, 2026**
Re: **Review of August 18, 2026 Agenda (Administrative Summary)**

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   Included in this agenda packet is a draft preliminary budget prepared for 2027 with options provided for Council's consideration of capital planning levels along with impact on projected tax rate. At this meeting, Council may choose to adopt a preliminary budget and levy as required by September, or could continue conversation to the next meeting.
5. **2027-2031 Road Projects – Capital Planning Discussion** *(37)*
   Our City Engineer has provided the attached memo with updated estimates for projects in discussion for the potential next few years-worth of street capital projects. The goal of this discussion is to update planning and timing for these, and possibly identify a project priority for next year which may begin prep work this fall ahead of spring bidding processes.
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MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
ST. AUGUSTA, MINNESOTA
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schmitz at 7:00 PM at the St. Augusta Fire Station with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Schmitz, Council Members Brent Genereux and Justin Backes; City Administrator Jennifer Nash, Fire Chief Joe Kramer and Fire Captain Ben Voigt.

OTHERS PRESENT: Brent Ahmann, Bernie Perryman, Dave Overbo.

CONSENT AGENDA: Administrator Nash noted addition requested to the agenda including more bills paid, receipt of the Sheriff's activity report and renewal of the annual Sheriff's contract on consent agenda, as well as request for purchase of turnout gear on the regular agenda.

The following items were approved with the consent agenda:

Approval of Agenda
City Council Minutes of July 21, 2026
Bills Payable, Receipts and Treasurer's Report for ePayments #25668-25684 and checks #29159-29189.
Approve Gambling Permit for Central MN Chapter of MN Deer Hunters Association for a Raffle to be Held at Hayloft, 22779 Hwy 15, St. Augusta on September 13, 2026
Receive July 2026 Sheriff's Report
Renew Stearns County Sheriff's Contract for 2027

A motion was made by Backes and seconded by Genereux to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRE REPORT:

Chief Kramer reviewed report of activities of the department in July 2026 including 21 medicals and no other calls. Training in July was an in-house address knowledge course.

SHERIFF REPORT:

Lt. Simon reported on activities in July. There is a speed enforcement trailer up on Co Rd 136 currently as requested by a resident.

A motion was made by Genereux and seconded by Backes to accept the sheriff's activity report from July. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRE ITEMS:

Chief Kramer updated Council on request to renew hose testing agreement with FireCatt. There was option to use this company for ladder testing as well, but the department uses a different company for that annual testing.

A motion was made by Genereux and seconded by Backes to approve renewal of hose testing agreement with FireCatt as shown. All in favor. Motion carried.

Kramer noted an AC unit that was malfunctioning a the fire hall is now working so replacement can be delayed. Schmitz noted budgeting for possible replacement in 2026 would make sense.

Kramer reviewed request for purchase of 4 sets of turnout gear from Fire Equipment Specialties at a cost of $14,280. Nash noted the City budgets in the Capital Fund for purchase of 4 sets each year.

A motion was made by Genereux and seconded by Backes to approve purchase of 4 sets of turnout gear as requested. All in favor. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Dave Overbo of Moore Engineering reviewed work since last update on the Gaberdine/238th/240th road project, and items remaining that are scheduled for completion in August. He also noted that Xcel's trucks caused some damage to an area of new trail that had just been paved, but Moore is working with Xcel to see that this is fixed by them.

Resident Brent Ahmann asked what the plan is for a few feet on the east side of the project where the trail stops and there isn't any pavement at this point to connect with County Road 75. Overbo will look into the plan for the trail connection at this edge of the project area.

A motion was made by Genereux and seconded by Backes to approve pay voucher #2 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: Ben Voigt asked for background on soil corrections in the 2026 road project that prompted need for a change order. Council members noted this was an unfortunate necessity that had been discussed at length in prior Council meetings ahead of approval.

Brent Ahmann asked if there is a plan for how the new trail in the road project area will be used. Mayor Schmitz noted the trail is planned for pedestrians at this point. If snowmobilers are interested in using parts of the trail in the future, they should reach out to Council with request to start a conversation.

COUNCIL PURVIEW:

Genereux – asked for update on when signs in Blackberry Farms will be replaced. Nash will inquire with public works and report back.

Schmitz – noted a question from a resident who had received a code enforcement letter regarding equipment being stored outside. The resident expressed concern about a shed adjacent to his property that may be on or over the property line. Nash noted the City does not permit and inspect locations for small backyard sheds. If a specific complaint were received, the matter could be looked into but may be a private civil dispute between neighbors.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE:

- An August 24th Planning Commission meeting is being planned to consider some cleanup of language in the newly updated zoning ordinance, as well as official adoption of the City's zoning map identified with the 2024 Comprehensive Plan update but not fully adopted.
- Early voting for the August Primary is now underway at City Hall from August 4th through August 10th. The Primary Election is on Tuesday, August 11th.

ADJOURMENT: **A motion was made by Genereux and seconded by Backes to adjourn at 7:35 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.**

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Jeff Schmitz, Mayor

Attest:

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Jennifer Nash, City Administrator

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Checks 08/05/26-08/18/26

	Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
10100	**STATE BANK OF KIMBAL**			
81e	BLASHACK, CHAD C.	08/14/26	$1,889.57	
82e	CLAUSSEN, KIM M	08/14/26	$1,986.86	
83e	HILL, MARY M	08/14/26	$972.24	
84e	KIFFMEYER, MARK G.	08/14/26	$1,726.73	
85e	O'BRIEN, JENNIFER	08/14/26	$3,193.92	
86e	ROTT, STEVEN	08/14/26	$531.64	
87e	SCHLUETER, STEVEN F.	08/14/26	$846.41	
88e	VOIGT, MASON M	08/14/26	$533.95	
89e	WOLTERS, KENNETH G	08/14/26	$726.74	
25686e	CenturyLink	08/05/26	$122.12	s - lift station alarm
25687e	JOHN HANCOCK	08/05/26	$150.00	g - Mark $100, Paul $50
25688e	BANK FEES	08/05/26	$9.00	g - fax fees
25689e	BANK FEES	08/05/26	$25.00	g - direct deposit monthly bank fee
25690e	BANK FEES	08/05/26	$9.60	g - bus int checking fee
25691e	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	08/05/26	$6,185.57	g - duplicate wh payment to be refunded in aug.
25692e	PERA	08/05/26	($0.02)	g - diff
25694e	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	08/06/26	$7,408.51	Chad - employer paid insurance
25695e	MIDCO BUSINESS	08/10/26	$268.41	general - internet service
25696e	MIDCO BUSINESS	08/10/26	$240.86	general - internet service
25697e	STATE BANK OF KIMBALL	08/12/26	$390.51	941 taxes
25698e	PERA	08/13/26	$2,215.71	emp pd pera
25699e	STATE BANK OF KIMBALL	08/13/26	$4,636.17	941 taxes
25700e	SHELTER POINT	08/13/26	$223.90	MN PAID LEAVE
25701e	STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION	08/13/26	$2,459.56	fire dept - fire hall
29190	ANNIS, EILEEN M.	08/12/26	$634.32	
29191	BICKNELL, MARY J	08/12/26	$193.89	
29192	DOLD, DONNA J	08/12/26	$22.16	
29193	FETT, WENDY J	08/12/26	$193.89	
29194	HARLANDER, THOMAS D.	08/12/26	$730.96	
29195	VOIGT, KELLY M.	08/12/26	$192.29	
29196	CENTRAL LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	08/18/26	$11.22	P -
29197	GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVIC	08/18/26	$136.78	g - copier/printer lease
29198	NORTH STAR SIGNS & ENGRAVING	08/18/26	$56.00	PW - fire signs
29199	NUTRIEN SOLUTIONS	08/18/26	$263.14	PARKS - ROUND UP
29200	STEARNS COUNTY auditor	08/18/26	$15,240.00	general -
29201	TOM HARLANDER	08/18/26	$50.75	e - 70 miles
29202	TRAUT COMPANIES	08/18/26	$407.00	w - Ran new suction line to screen from pump due to crack in o
29203	VIKING COCA COLA BOTTLING CO	08/18/26	$523.00	FD-
29204	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	08/18/26	$681.72	general - garbage service
		Total Checks	$56,090.08	

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602 SEWER FUND	$2,022.31	
605 LIGHTING UTILITY	$323.25	
607 STORMWATER UTILITY	$329.67	
	$41,714.51	

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Check #	Check Date	Vendor Name	Amount	Invoice	Comment
10100 STATE BANK OF KIMBAL					
25686 e	08/05/26	**CenturyLink**			
E 602-49450-321		Telephone	$61.06		s - lift station alarm
E 602-49450-321		Telephone	$61.06		s - lift station alarm
		Total	$122.12		
25687 e	08/05/26	**JOHN HANCOCK**			
G 101-21710		Other Deducations	$150.00		g - Mark $100, Paul $50
		Total	$150.00		
25688 e	08/05/26	**BANK FEES**			
E 101-41000-430		Miscellaneous	$9.00		g - fax fees
		Total	$9.00		
25689 e	08/05/26	**BANK FEES**			
E 101-41000-430		Miscellaneous	$25.00		g - direct deposit monthly bank fee
		Total	$25.00		
25690 e	08/05/26	**BANK FEES**			
E 101-41000-430		Miscellaneous	$9.60		g - bus int checking fee
		Total	$9.60		
25691 e	08/05/26	**MN DEPT OF REVENUE**			
G 101-21702		State Withholding	$6,185.57		g - duplicate wh payment to be refunded in aug.
		Total	$6,185.57		
25692 e	08/05/26	**PERA**			
E 101-41000-126		Employer Paid PERA	($0.02)		g - diff
		Total	($0.02)		
25694 e	08/06/26	**BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD**			
E 602-49450-131		Employer Paid Health	$553.54	26073113330	Chad - employer paid insurance
E 601-49400-131		Employer Paid Health	$553.54	26073113330	Chad - employer paid insurance
E 101-41130-131		Employer Paid Health	$2,005.65	26073113330	Mark, Paul - employer paid insurance
G 101-21710		Other Deducations	$1,375.66	26073113330	Mark/Paul - employee paid family insurance
E 101-41000-131		Employer Paid Health	$886.66	26073113330	Kim - employer paid insurance
E 101-41130-131		Employer Paid Health	$1,375.66	26073113330	MARK/PAUL - EMPLOYER PAID FAMILY
E 101-41000-131		Employer Paid Health	$657.80	26073113330	Jennifer
		Total	$7,408.51		
25695 e	08/10/26	**MIDCO BUSINESS**			
E 101-41000-323		Internet	$95.65		general - internet service
E 101-41000-321		Telephone	$172.76		general - phone service
		Total	$268.41		
25696 e	08/10/26	**MIDCO BUSINESS**			
E 101-42270-323		Internet	$85.65		general - internet service
E 101-42270-321		Telephone	$155.21		general - phone service
		Total	$240.86		
25697 e	08/12/26	**STATE BANK OF KIMBALL**			

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G 101-21701		Federal Withholding	$48.73		941 taxes
G 101-21703		FICA Tax Withholding	$277.02		941 taxes
G 101-21709		Medicare	$64.76		941 taxes
		Total	$390.51		
25698 e	08/13/26	**PERA**			
G 101-21704		PERA	$369.61		KIFFMEYER, MARK G.
G 607-21704		PERA	$19.34		KIFFMEYER, MARK G.
G 101-21704		PERA	$159.53		SCHLUETER, STEVEN F.
G 101-21704		PERA	$58.02		BLASHACK, CHAD C.
G 601-21704		PERA	$155.79		BLASHACK, CHAD C.
G 602-21704		PERA	$155.80		BLASHACK, CHAD C.
G 607-21704		PERA	$19.34		BLASHACK, CHAD C.
G 101-21704		PERA	$18.48		HILL, MARY M
G 601-21704		PERA	$73.94		HILL, MARY M
G 602-21704		PERA	$73.94		HILL, MARY M
G 607-21704		PERA	$18.50		HILL, MARY M
G 101-21704		PERA	$341.77		CLAUSSEN, KIM M
G 601-21704		PERA	$20.10		CLAUSSEN, KIM M
G 602-21704		PERA	$20.10		CLAUSSEN, KIM M
G 607-21704		PERA	$20.11		CLAUSSEN, KIM M
G 101-21704		PERA	$587.96		O'BRIEN, JENNIFER
G 601-21704		PERA	$34.46		O'BRIEN, JENNIFER
G 602-21704		PERA	$34.46		O'BRIEN, JENNIFER
G 607-21704		PERA	$34.46		O'BRIEN, JENNIFER
		Total	$2,215.71		
25699 e	08/13/26	**STATE BANK OF KIMBALL**			
G 101-21701		Federal Withholding	$1,363.86		941 taxes
G 101-21703		FICA Tax Withholding	$1,645.86		941 taxes
G 101-21709		Medicare	$384.90		941 taxes
G 601-21701		Federal Withholding	$205.03		941 taxes
G 601-21703		FICA Tax Withholding	$252.56		941 taxes
G 601-21709		Medicare	$59.06		941 taxes
G 602-21701		Federal Withholding	$205.05		941 taxes
G 602-21703		FICA Tax Withholding	$252.56		941 taxes
G 602-21709		Medicare	$59.06		941 taxes
G 607-21701		Federal Withholding	$85.75		941 taxes
G 607-21703		FICA Tax Withholding	$99.26		941 taxes
G 607-21709		Medicare	$23.22		941 taxes
		Total	$4,636.17		
25700 e	08/13/26	**SHELTER POINT**			
G 101-21712		MN Paid Leave	$161.61		MN Paid Leave Benefit
G 601-21712		MN Paid Leave	$26.30		MN Paid Leave Benefit
G 602-21712		MN Paid Leave	$26.30		MN Paid Leave Benefit
G 607-21712		MN Paid Leave	$9.69		MN Paid Leave Benefit
		Total	$223.90		
25701 e	08/13/26	**STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION**			

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E 101-42270-387		Fire Dept Utilities	$693.66		fire dept - fire hall
E 101-45200-381		Electric Utilities	$105.35		parks dept - HLP
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$271.21		general - city hall
E 101-42270-387		Fire Dept Utilities	$78.07		fire dept - fire hydrant
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$68.00		general - 2 meters
E 602-49450-381		Electric Utilities	$287.91		sewer dept - lift station 1
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$54.12		general - city hall
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$9.75		general - street light
E 602-49450-381		Electric Utilities	$183.96		sewer dept - lift station 2
E 605-43160-380		Utility Services (GENERAL	$90.75		EU - Emerald Ponds
E 101-45200-381		Electric Utilities	$49.00		parks dept - KP
E 605-43160-380		Utility Services (GENERAL	$124.50		EU - Blackberry Farms
E 605-43160-380		Utility Services (GENERAL	$108.00		EU - Emerald Ponds
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$130.44		general - State Hwy 15 light
E 602-49450-381		Electric Utilities	$47.51		sewer dept - lift station
E 101-41000-381		Electric Utilities	$47.36		general - Lion's Sign
E 601-49400-381		Electric Utilities	$40.82		water dept - flow meter
E 101-45200-381		Electric Utilities	$69.15		parks dept - HLP shelter
		Total	$2,459.56		
29196	08/18/26	**CENTRAL LANDSCAPE SUPPLY**			
E 101-45200-220		Repair/Maint Supply	$11.22	337880	P -
		Total	$11.22		
29197	08/18/26	**GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICES**			
E 101-41000-413		Office Equipment/Rental	$136.78	42660697	g - copier/printer lease
		Total	$136.78		
29198	08/18/26	**NORTH STAR SIGNS & ENGRAVING**			
E 101-41130-226		Sign Repair Materials	$56.00	29167	PW - fire signs
		Total	$56.00		
29199	08/18/26	**NUTRIEN SOLUTIONS**			
E 101-45200-220		Repair/Maint Supply	$263.14		PARKS - ROUND UP
		Total	$263.14		
29200	08/18/26	**STEARNS COUNTY auditor**			
E 101-41000-306		Police/Sheriff (contract)	$15,240.00	2026-000000	general -
		Total	$15,240.00		
29201	08/18/26	**TOM HARLANDER**			
E 101-41410-201		Mileage	$50.75		e - 70 miles
		Total	$50.75		
29202	08/18/26	**TRAUT COMPANIES**			
E 601-49400-316		Sample Analysis	$407.00	390803	w - Ran new suction line to screen from pump due to crack in original line
		Total	$407.00		
29203	08/18/26	**VIKING COCA COLA BOTTLING CO**			
E 101-42270-320		Natl Night Out	$523.00		FD-

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Check #	Check Date	Vendor Name	Amount	Invoice	Comment
		Total	$523.00		
29204	08/18/26	**WEST CENTRAL SANITATION**			
E 101-41000-384		Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$252.78	13835356	general - garbage service
E 101-45200-384		Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$388.09	13835356	parks dept - garbage service
E 101-42270-384		Refuse/Garbage Disposal	$40.85	13835356	fire dept - garbage service
		Total	$681.72		
		10100	$41,714.51		

Fund Summary

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	$41,714.51

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*Budget YTD Rev-Exp©

Current Period: August 2026

			2026 YTD Budget	2026 YTD Amt	August MTD Amt	2026 YTD Balance	% of Budget
GENERAL FUND							
		Revenues	$1,323,500.00	$845,793.89	$18,088.81	$477,706.11	63.91%
		Expenditures	$1,306,706.00	$843,971.39	$53,928.95	$462,734.61	64.59%
		Gain/(Loss)	$16,794.00	$1,822.50	($35,840.14)	$14,971.50	10.85%
Revenue							
Active	R 101-41000-00700	Transfer In	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-00710	Trans Out	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-31000	General Proper	$1,000,000.00	$555,689.96	$0.00	$444,310.04	55.57%
Active	R 101-41000-31030	Sales Tax	$400.00	$630.40	$0.00	($230.40)	157.60%
Active	R 101-41000-31801	PERA Aid	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-31803	State Aid MV -	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-31804	Local Governm	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-31805	State Aid-Fire	$12,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$12,000.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-31807	State Fire Train	$0.00	$6,358.00	$0.00	($6,358.00)	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-32100	Business Licen	$9,000.00	$9,280.00	$0.00	($280.00)	103.11%
Active	R 101-41000-32120	Dividends	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-32180	Mailbox Posts/	$200.00	$200.00	$0.00	$0.00	100.00%
Active	R 101-41000-32210	Building Permit	$172,000.00	$117,194.36	$6,778.24	$54,805.64	68.14%
Active	R 101-41000-32250	Park Shelter R	$10,000.00	$12,159.72	$0.00	($2,159.72)	121.60%
Active	R 101-41000-32251	Right of Way P	$2,500.00	$4,491.00	$600.00	($1,991.00)	179.64%
Active	R 101-41000-33100	Federal Grants	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-33405	Gas Franchise	$31,000.00	$18,800.67	$4,163.60	$12,199.33	60.65%
Active	R 101-41000-33406	Electric Franch	$60,000.00	$42,209.97	$5,422.97	$17,790.03	70.35%
Active	R 101-41000-33407	Electric Permit	$11,500.00	$18,719.00	$840.00	($7,219.00)	162.77%
Active	R 101-41000-34101	City Hall Rent	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-34103	Zoning and Su	$2,000.00	$1,950.00	$100.00	$50.00	97.50%
Active	R 101-41000-34107	Assessment S	$400.00	$340.00	$10.00	$60.00	85.00%
Active	R 101-41000-35000	Fines and Forf	$6,000.00	$2,012.02	$0.00	$3,987.98	33.53%
Active	R 101-41000-36200	Miscellaneous	$500.00	$53,975.28	$174.00	($53,475.28)	10795.06%
Active	R 101-41000-36210	Interest Earnin	$0.00	$1,192.88	$0.00	($1,192.88)	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-39314	Election Assist	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 101-41000-39315	US Bank Rebat	$2,000.00	$590.63	$0.00	$1,409.37	29.53%
Active	R 101-47000-36210	Interest Earnin	$3,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,000.00	0.00%
		Total Revenue	$1,323,500.00	$845,793.89	$18,088.81	$477,706.11	63.91%
Expenditure							
Active	E 101-41000-101	Full-Time Employ	$161,027.00	$86,618.43	$6,640.82	$74,408.57	53.79%
Active	E 101-41000-103	Part-Time Employ	$33,382.00	$2,604.08	$132.04	$30,777.92	7.80%
Active	E 101-41000-122	FICA	$12,053.00	$6,516.93	$421.15	$5,536.07	54.07%
Active	E 101-41000-123	Medicare	$2,819.00	$1,296.19	$98.49	$1,522.81	45.98%
Active	E 101-41000-126	Employer Paid P	$14,581.00	$6,701.60	$507.97	$7,879.40	45.96%
Active	E 101-41000-131	Employer Paid H	$20,631.00	$10,382.28	$1,544.46	$10,248.72	50.32%
Active	E 101-41000-143	MN Paid Leave In	$1,711.00	$1,256.12	$39.96	$454.88	73.41%
Active	E 101-41000-151	Worker s Comp I	$758.00	$577.91	$0.00	$180.09	76.24%
Active	E 101-41000-160	Insurance (bldgs/	$9,530.00	$9,297.84	$0.00	$232.16	97.56%
Active	E 101-41000-200	Office Supplies (	$4,000.00	$2,112.46	$135.88	$1,887.54	52.81%
Active	E 101-41000-202	Printing & Binding	$0.00	$1,725.19	$0.00	($1,725.19)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-203	Legal Notice Publ	$2,000.00	$828.40	$43.76	$1,171.60	41.42%
Active	E 101-41000-205	Ordinance Public	$2,000.00	$605.29	$0.00	$1,394.71	30.26%
Active	E 101-41000-206	Association Dues/	$17,000.00	$10,346.00	$0.00	$6,654.00	60.86%
Active	E 101-41000-207	Auditing Services	$25,000.00	$5,010.00	$0.00	$19,990.00	20.04%

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Active	E 101-41000-208	Training, Inst., Tr	$8,000.00	$3,788.61	$250.00	$4,211.39	47.36%
Active	E 101-41000-211	Petty Cash	$0.00	$226.00	$0.00	($226.00)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-222	MS4 PERMIT	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-250	COVID	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-251	COVID GRANT	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-300	support services	$5,500.00	$4,533.00	$2,018.00	$967.00	82.42%
Active	E 101-41000-302	Assessor Contrac	$22,000.00	$20,023.39	$0.00	$1,976.61	91.02%
Active	E 101-41000-303	Engineering Fees	$15,000.00	$10,350.00	$1,199.00	$4,650.00	69.00%
Active	E 101-41000-304	Legal Fees	$10,000.00	$17,622.50	$0.00	($7,622.50)	176.23%
Active	E 101-41000-305	Attorney (prosecu	$17,000.00	$8,500.00	$0.00	$8,500.00	50.00%
Active	E 101-41000-306	Police/Sheriff (co	$31,200.00	$30,360.00	$15,240.00	$840.00	97.31%
Active	E 101-41000-307	Planning (GENER	$15,000.00	$25,496.00	$0.00	($10,496.00)	169.97%
Active	E 101-41000-309	Public Safety AE	$1,800.00	$1,125.00	$0.00	$675.00	62.50%
Active	E 101-41000-321	Telephone	$2,000.00	$1,908.32	$172.76	$91.68	95.42%
Active	E 101-41000-322	Postage	$4,100.00	$3,772.81	$104.00	$327.19	92.02%
Active	E 101-41000-323	Internet	$1,400.00	$1,026.18	$95.65	$373.82	73.30%
Active	E 101-41000-324	Internet mobile	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-332	Clean Up Day	$4,000.00	$2,653.74	$0.00	$1,346.26	66.34%
Active	E 101-41000-381	Electric Utilities	$6,500.00	$4,023.38	$580.88	$2,476.62	61.90%
Active	E 101-41000-383	Gas Utilities	$6,500.00	$5,077.86	$56.48	$1,422.14	78.12%
Active	E 101-41000-384	Refuse/Garbage	$2,400.00	$2,361.48	$252.78	$38.52	98.40%
Active	E 101-41000-413	Office Equipment/	$0.00	$1,040.56	$136.78	($1,040.56)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-430	Miscellaneous	$2,000.00	$19,124.43	$208.16	($17,124.43)	956.22%
Active	E 101-41000-500	Capital Outlay (G	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-520	Buildings and Str	$3,000.00	$207.75	$0.00	$2,792.25	6.93%
Active	E 101-41000-625	Animal Impound	$750.00	$1,400.00	$0.00	($650.00)	186.67%
Active	E 101-41000-650	Fiscal Charges	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41000-736	city halls sewer/w	$1,100.00	$643.37	$80.63	$456.63	58.49%
Active	E 101-41110-100	Wages and Salari	$30,026.00	$14,136.36	$0.00	$15,889.64	47.08%
Active	E 101-41110-121	PERA	$1,502.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,502.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41110-122	FICA	$1,769.00	$877.72	$0.00	$891.28	49.62%
Active	E 101-41110-123	Medicare	$528.00	$205.29	$0.00	$322.71	38.88%
Active	E 101-41110-126	Employer Paid P	$0.00	$498.96	$0.00	($498.96)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41110-143	MN Paid Leave In	$0.00	$83.41	$0.00	($83.41)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41110-331	Travel Expenses	$3,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41110-433	Dues and Subscri	$500.00	$430.00	$0.00	$70.00	86.00%
Active	E 101-41110-434	Awards and Inde	$500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41110-490	Donations to Civi	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41120-106	Planning Commis	$1,500.00	$990.00	$0.00	$510.00	66.00%
Active	E 101-41120-107	Park Board Wage	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41120-108	EDA	$500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41130-101	Full-Time Employ	$112,927.00	$71,692.82	$2,778.20	$41,234.18	63.49%
Active	E 101-41130-102	Full-Time Employ	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41130-103	Part-Time Employ	$3,500.00	$8,021.93	$0.00	($4,521.93)	229.20%
Active	E 101-41130-122	FICA	$7,218.00	$4,949.12	$172.76	$2,268.88	68.57%
Active	E 101-41130-123	Medicare	$1,687.00	$1,157.43	$40.40	$529.57	68.61%
Active	E 101-41130-126	Employer Paid P	$8,732.00	$5,963.78	$208.37	$2,768.22	68.30%
Active	E 101-41130-131	Employer Paid H	$25,469.00	$27,050.48	$3,381.31	($1,581.48)	106.21%
Active	E 101-41130-143	MN Paid Leave In	$1,025.00	$470.28	$16.40	$554.72	45.88%
Active	E 101-41130-150	Worker s Comp	$5,667.00	$4,045.34	$0.00	$1,621.66	71.38%
Active	E 101-41130-160	Insurance (bldgs/	$6,521.00	$5,811.15	$0.00	$709.85	89.11%
Active	E 101-41130-208	Training, Inst., Tr	$800.00	$204.75	$0.00	$595.25	25.59%

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Active	E 101-41130-212	Motor Fuels	$12,500.00	$11,214.19	$1,010.86	$1,285.81	89.71%
Active	E 101-41130-220	Repair/Maint Sup	$85,000.00	$59,145.02	$3,511.79	$25,854.98	69.58%
Active	E 101-41130-226	Sign Repair Mater	$4,000.00	$1,527.31	$56.00	$2,472.69	38.18%
Active	E 101-41130-321	Telephone	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41130-342	Refunds	$1,500.00	$1,400.00	$0.00	$100.00	93.33%
Active	E 101-41130-430	Miscellaneous	$1,000.00	$548.46	$0.00	$451.54	54.85%
Active	E 101-41220-300	support services	$120,000.00	$106,039.73	$0.00	$13,960.27	88.37%
Active	E 101-41220-430	Miscellaneous	$0.00	$51.93	$51.93	($51.93)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41220-722	Bldg Permit Surc	$12,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$12,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41220-742	Electrical Insp	$10,000.00	$6,924.65	$0.00	$3,075.35	69.25%
Active	E 101-41410-104	Temporary Emplo	$6,500.00	$2,232.00	$2,232.00	$4,268.00	34.34%
Active	E 101-41410-122	FICA	$383.00	$138.51	$138.51	$244.49	36.16%
Active	E 101-41410-123	Medicare	$114.00	$32.38	$32.38	$81.62	28.40%
Active	E 101-41410-143	MN Paid Leave In	$0.00	$3.86	$3.86	($3.86)	0.00%
Active	E 101-41410-201	Mileage	$250.00	$50.75	$50.75	$199.25	20.30%
Active	E 101-41410-202	Printing & Binding	$250.00	$0.00	$0.00	$250.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41410-203	Legal Notice Publ	$250.00	$0.00	$0.00	$250.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41410-208	Training, Inst., Tr	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41410-430	Miscellaneous	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-41410-534	Equipment	$2,100.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,100.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-115	Chief Salary	$3,000.00	$4,604.85	$0.00	($1,604.85)	153.50%
Active	E 101-42270-116	Officers Salary	$6,300.00	$0.00	$0.00	$6,300.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-117	Call Salary	$28,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$28,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-118	Training Salary	$40,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$40,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-119	Officers Pay	$9,200.00	$1,253.41	$0.00	$7,946.59	13.62%
Active	E 101-42270-122	FICA	$5,095.00	$363.52	$0.00	$4,731.48	7.13%
Active	E 101-42270-123	Medicare	$1,522.00	$85.00	$0.00	$1,437.00	5.58%
Active	E 101-42270-125	Other Retirement	$3,000.00	$1,000.00	$0.00	$2,000.00	33.33%
Active	E 101-42270-143	MN Paid Leave In	$761.00	$32.13	$0.00	$728.87	4.22%
Active	E 101-42270-150	Worker s Comp	$6,276.00	$4,481.72	$0.00	$1,794.28	71.41%
Active	E 101-42270-160	Insurance (bldgs/	$9,038.00	$8,664.83	$0.00	$373.17	95.87%
Active	E 101-42270-200	Office Supplies (	$1,250.00	$690.36	$10.80	$559.64	55.23%
Active	E 101-42270-206	Association Dues/	$5,000.00	$555.00	$0.00	$4,445.00	11.10%
Active	E 101-42270-208	Training, Inst., Tr	$36,000.00	$11,743.62	$650.00	$24,256.38	32.62%
Active	E 101-42270-212	Motor Fuels	$4,500.00	$894.43	$0.00	$3,605.57	19.88%
Active	E 101-42270-220	Repair/Maint Sup	$30,000.00	$11,473.83	$36.09	$18,526.17	38.25%
Active	E 101-42270-223	Building Repair S	$8,000.00	$455.96	$0.00	$7,544.04	5.70%
Active	E 101-42270-232	EMS Supplies	$7,500.00	$4,228.50	$107.98	$3,271.50	56.38%
Active	E 101-42270-240	Small Tools and	$0.00	$58,099.32	$0.00	($58,099.32)	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-260	Medical Exams	$7,000.00	$3,055.00	$0.00	$3,945.00	43.64%
Active	E 101-42270-300	support services	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-304	Legal Fees	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-320	Natl Night Out	$3,000.00	$1,673.94	$1,673.94	$1,326.06	55.80%
Active	E 101-42270-321	Telephone	$1,700.00	$1,237.71	$155.21	$462.29	72.81%
Active	E 101-42270-323	Internet	$1,320.00	$684.68	$85.65	$635.32	51.87%
Active	E 101-42270-325	IT Expenses	$4,500.00	$2,287.22	$277.20	$2,212.78	50.83%
Active	E 101-42270-364	Grant Writing	$4,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-384	Refuse/Garbage	$500.00	$646.30	$40.85	($146.30)	129.26%
Active	E 101-42270-387	Fire Dept Utilities	$8,500.00	$7,040.76	$771.73	$1,459.24	82.83%
Active	E 101-42270-389	uniforms	$5,000.00	$3,373.81	$0.00	$1,626.19	67.48%
Active	E 101-42270-410	Rentals	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-42270-430	Miscellaneous	$2,000.00	$1,078.30	$0.00	$921.70	53.92%

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Active	E 101-42270-534	Equipment	$7,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$7,000.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-45200-101	Full-Time Employ	$20,879.00	$12,816.00	$276.32	$8,063.00	61.38%
Active	E 101-45200-103	Part-Time Employ	$45,676.00	$21,115.44	$3,406.69	$24,560.56	46.23%
Active	E 101-45200-113	State Sales Tax	$900.00	$930.00	$0.00	($30.00)	103.33%
Active	E 101-45200-121	PERA	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-45200-122	FICA	$3,920.00	$2,108.61	$229.02	$1,811.39	53.79%
Active	E 101-45200-123	Medicare	$1,171.00	$493.11	$53.56	$677.89	42.11%
Active	E 101-45200-126	Employer Paid P	$2,553.00	$1,217.45	$106.18	$1,335.55	47.69%
Active	E 101-45200-130	Employer Paid In	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-45200-143	MN Paid Leave In	$586.00	$164.11	$16.94	$421.89	28.01%
Active	E 101-45200-150	Worker s Comp	$958.00	$684.05	$0.00	$273.95	71.40%
Active	E 101-45200-160	Insurance (bldgs/	$11,291.00	$9,878.96	$0.00	$1,412.04	87.49%
Active	E 101-45200-212	Motor Fuels	$500.00	$780.18	$336.48	($280.18)	156.04%
Active	E 101-45200-220	Repair/Maint Sup	$20,000.00	$9,800.78	$628.04	$10,199.22	49.00%
Active	E 101-45200-228	Ballfield Maintena	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-45200-342	Refunds	$5,000.00	$3,007.88	$650.00	$1,992.12	60.16%
Active	E 101-45200-381	Electric Utilities	$1,750.00	$1,484.78	$223.50	$265.22	84.84%
Active	E 101-45200-384	Refuse/Garbage	$1,600.00	$1,159.87	$388.09	$440.13	72.49%
Active	E 101-45200-410	Rentals	$2,000.00	$683.00	$0.00	$1,317.00	34.15%
Active	E 101-45200-430	Miscellaneous	$2,000.00	$902.26	$159.51	$1,097.74	45.11%
Active	E 101-45200-500	Capital Outlay (G	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
Active	E 101-49400-143	MN Paid Leave In	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
		Total Expenditure	($1,306,706.00)	($843,971.39)	($53,928.95)	($462,734.61)	64.59%
		Total GENERAL FUND	$16,794.00	$1,822.50	($35,840.14)	$14,971.50	10.85%
		Report Total	$16,794.00	$1,822.50	($35,840.14)	$14,971.50	10.85%

Permits	Issue_Date	CONSTTYPE	prmtsno	prmtstr	App_Company	Valuation
AUG26-000178	07/06/2026	Accessory Building	20859	VIENNA	BIERSCH BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION INC	110000
AUG26-000179	07/06/2026	Residential Roofing	24588	COUNTY ROAD 7	MUELLER BUILDERS LLC	105000
AUG26-000180	07/07/2026	Residential Roofing	2146	230TH	APEX EXTERIORS	13550
AUG26-000181	07/07/2026	Addition	21025	13TH	KIMBERLY A HINKEMEYER	100000
AUG26-000182	07/08/2026	Residential Alteration	24381	19TH	JV HEATING & AC LLC	5500
AUG26-000183	07/09/2026	Residential Window/Door Replacement (Same Size)	4252	236TH	LUTGEN COMPANIES	13300
AUG26-000184	07/13/2026	Accessory Building	5029	RED HAWK	JONATHAN D STEINKE	150000
AUG26-000028	07/14/2026	Residential Water Heater	5597	GARDEN HILLS	TRAVIS & PAULA WAVRIN	1000
AUG26-000185	07/14/2026	Residential Roofing	22098	MAJESTIC	GRAND EXTERIORS INC	18801
AUG26-000186	07/14/2026	Residential New Construction	20704	VIENNA	MASSMANN HOME SOLUTIONS LLC	40700
AUG26-000187	07/14/2026	Residential Roofing	20142	BEAVER LAKE	BD Exteriors,Inc/Tara Donny	33541
AUG26-000188	07/14/2026	Residential Window/Door Replacement (Same Size)	20142	BEAVER LAKE	BD Exteriors,Inc/Tara Donny	33541
AUG26-000189	07/14/2026	New Construction	2640	PERIDOT	PROGRESSIVE BUILDERS INC	250000
AUG26-000190	07/14/2026	Residential New Construction	2640	PERIDOT	B&DPLUMBING ,HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	13000
AUG26-000191	07/14/2026	Residential New Construction	2640	PERIDOT	B&DPLUMBING ,HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	11000
AUG26-000192	07/16/2026	Residential Roofing	1887	247TH	PERFECT EXTERIORS OF MN	25332.7
AUG26-000193	07/20/2026	Residential Alteration	24230	FOREST VIEW	AUGUSTA PLUMBING LLC	10990
AUG26-000194	07/20/2026	Addition	1965	247TH	PETER J SCHOENECKER	3500
AUG26-000195	07/27/2026	Residential Alteration	23421	TERRACE HILLS	PRECISE HEATING-A/C-PLUMBING-REFRIGERATION	5112
AUG26-000196	07/27/2026	Residential Roofing	24823	21ST	MONARCH HOME IMPROVEMENT LLC dba DaBella	12589.5
AUG26-000197	07/27/2026	Residential Furnace	24438	17TH	OPIES GOLD HEAT N AIR	15398
AUG26-000198	07/29/2026	Residential Furnace	24438	17TH	OPIES GOLD HEAT N AIR	15398
AUG26-000199	07/29/2026	New Construction	2598	TOPAZ	FRONTIER HOMES LLC	200000
AUG26-000200	07/29/2026	Residential New Construction	2598	TOPAZ	B&DPLUMBING ,HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	12000
AUG26-000201	07/29/2026	Residential New Construction	2598	TOPAZ	B&DPLUMBING ,HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	8000
AUG26-000202	07/30/2026	In Ground Pool	24335	18TH	BLAISER POOLS	100000
AUG26-000203	07/30/2026	Deck/Porch	24249	FORESTVIEW	HOME CONCEPTS REMODELING LLC	21250

Welcome to St. Augusta
WHERE COUNTRY MEETS COMMUNITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Jeff Schmitz and Council Members
From: Jennifer Nash, City Administrator
Date: August 18, 2026
RE: 2027 Preliminary Budget Draft

Included with this memo is a draft preliminary 2027 budget for Council's review and discussion, along with modeling of how budget options would impact property owners. Council previously reviewed draft budget information at your work session meeting in July and provided input to staff which has been incorporated into the attached. Below are some notes on revenue and expenditure items, budget assumptions and next steps:

Revenues

- Building permit and other revenues are shown with conservative estimates
- No major fee adjustments proposed at this time for general fund services.
- LGA reduced per approved State allocation amounts – down $37,470 from 2026 to 2027 (2027 LGA will be $18,833)
- Capital expenditure plan continues increased budget level established per plan in 2025 for catchup of deferred road maintenance/repair projects. This plan includes funding projects with cash on hand instead of taking out debt for the work. Within options for levy amounts before Council for review at tonight's meeting, additional funding could be set aside towards these project savings accounts depending on Council's direction.
- Enterprise funds such as water, sewer and stormwater utilities do not receive funding through City taxes. Those budgets will be reviewed in more detail in the coming months ahead of discussions to come on proposed user rates in December.

Expenditures

Staffing Assumptions in Draft

- Ahead of review of area market condition information which will be obtained later in the year, 5% increase shown for the wage scale for all positions for budget planning purposes including full-time, part-time and paid, on-call firefighting staff – to be reviewed for ongoing market appropriateness
- No new full-time staff positions shown
- Seasonal and temporary positions - draft budget shows continuation of the same level of seasonal employment as in recent years. Parks budget includes 4 part-time seasonal workers, and streets budget includes temporary assistance for winter plowing.
- Employee health insurance estimates shown with 20% increase which we hope will be higher than actual – actuals to be updated when renewal info is available
- Staff time allocations in budget for some positions have been adjusted to better match actual time spent. The biggest shift is in the part-time Utility Billing Clerk whose time has been moved from 15% utilities to 90% utilities. Administrator and Deputy Clerk budgeted time allocations have been adjusted to account for oversight and administrative support provided for department areas including streets and parks,

along with administration (which includes building, planning, zoning, legal, etc) and utilities included in previous staff cost distribution. Additional Deputy Clerk time allocation was included for time spent processing building permits (estimated at 20%).

Other Assumptions in Draft

- The previous draft for July discussions had a low estimate of 5% community valuation growth, which has been adjusted with updated estimates from Stearns County officials now identifying an approximate 8.7% tax capacity growth in the community. Overall tax capacity effects the rate each individual taxpayer will pay as their portion of overall levy need. As requested, staff has included 3 possible levy options with tonight's materials including projected impact of these levies on tax rates and corresponding household annual and monthly City taxes.
- City insurance rates for property, casualty, liability and workers' comp coverages are shown with 10% increase across the board as placeholder estimate
- Project Items – Staff recommends the following City Hall projects to be completed in 2027 to improve service delivery to the community and efficiency in providing services. Estimated costs shown in the budget:
    - Codification - $25,000
    - Website Update/New Platform - $15,000
- Staff has had additional discussions with both fire department and public works department staff with updates to those departmental budgets shown within this general fund budget draft and some updated capital planning for equipment impacting that levy line item.
- Additional refinement of equipment planning within the CIP will be ongoing, and more conversation is planned on Council's agenda tonight for progressing road project prioritization for the next few years.
- Repair and maintenance supply budget line items in Public Works/Streets and Parks have some increased funding budgeted to allow for focus on maintaining the amenities the City currently has as a goal identified by Council in recent discussions.
- Adjusting Consultant Costs to Better Match Expenditures & Need – Planning, Legal and Engineering consultant costs were all under-budgeted versus need in 2026. The draft budget better reflects actual costs and additional activity prompted by resident and business owner projects and inquiries. For individually-benefiting applications needing this support, staff recommends consideration of increasing escrows collected from applicants to cover pass-through bills as part of fee schedule discussions later this year.
- Power costs for City facilities up per notice from Stearns Electric – budgeted 5% increase to cover this and other utilities
- Election costs from 2026 have been reduced for non-election year 2027.
- Budget preparation for the City's enterprise funds (utilities) is also underway, however the City does not levy for those business-like operations, so these are not a part of the tax levy discussion at this time.

Recommendation and Budget Development Process:

Council is asked to review the attached proposed budget information and options ahead of discussion on this agenda. Following discussion, Council may choose to adopt by motion a preliminary budget and levy at this meeting, or you may choose to continue the discussion to September. Cities are required to adopt a preliminary budget and levy in September for the following year which will then set the maximum levy included in tax notices distributed by the County in the subsequent months. Remaining additional budget refinement occurs in October and November ahead of Truth-in-Taxation hearing scheduled for December 1st, then final budget adoption.

Attachments

- 2027 Draft Preliminary Budget Details
- 2027 Draft Preliminary Levy Options and Impact Comparisons

City of St. Augusta 2027
Preliminary Budget

	2024	2025	2026		% of Budget	2027	% Change
Revenues	**Budget**	**Budget**	**Budget**	**As of 07/02/26**	**Spent/Received**	**Budget**	**From 2026**
General Fund	$ 1,121,200	$ 1,273,500	$ 1,273,500	$ 943,383	74.08%	$ 1,581,655	24.20%
Capital Improvement Fund	$ 993,013	$ 1,089,833	$ 1,581,606	$ 1,015,455	64.20%	$ 1,478,608	-6.51%
Water Fund	$ 278,000	$ 331,500	$ 331,500	$ 347,499	104.83%	$ 406,940	22.76%
Sewer Fund	$ 275,000	$ 352,000	$ 352,000	$ 268,792	76.36%	$ 369,314	4.92%
Sewer Debt Fund	$ 12,500	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	$ 13,644	113.70%	$ 12,000	0.00%
WAC/SAC Improvement Fund	$ 35,759	$ 41,759	$ 41,759	$ 75,495	180.79%	$ 24,000	-42.53%
Debt Service	$ 41,000	$ 41,000	$ 41,000	$ 22,837	55.70%	$ 41,000	0.00%
Street Light Utility	$ 4,500	$ 5,600	$ 5,600	$ 5,973	106.66%	$ 5,600	0.00%
Storm Water Utility	$ 55,000	$ 50,000	$ 50,000	$ 39,339	78.68%	$ 50,000	0.00%
Total Revenues	$ 2,815,972	$ 3,197,192	$ 3,688,965	$ 2,732,417	74.07%	$ 3,969,117	7.59%
Expenditures							
General Fund	$ 1,132,763	$ 1,234,185	$ 1,234,185	$ 645,167	52.27%	$ 1,581,655	28.15%
Capital Improvement Fund	$ 945,800	$ 995,800	$ 1,631,600	$ 1,115,245	68.35%	$ 1,436,500	-11.96%
Water Fund	$ 243,864	$ 297,681	$ 299,980	$ 339,520	113.18%	$ 405,928	35.32%
Sewer Fund	$ 271,667	$ 306,004	$ 306,005	$ 287,612	93.99%	$ 368,221	20.33%
WAC/SAC Improvement Fund	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -	
Debt Service	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 34,621	96.17%	$ 36,000	0.00%
Street Light Utility	$ 4,380	$ 4,380	$ 4,380	$ 3,556	81.18%	$ 4,380	0.00%
Storm Water Utility	$ 36,154	$ 42,073	$ 42,073	$ 55,312	131.47%	$ 65,661	56.06%
Total Expenditures	$ 2,670,628	$ 2,916,123	$ 3,554,222	$ 2,481,034	69.81%	$ 3,898,345	9.68%

Acct Code	General Fund Revenues	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Received As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026
R 101-41000-31000	General Property Tax	$ 879,000	$ 950,000	$ 1,000,000	$ 535,142	53.51%	$ 1,230,655	23.07%
R 101-41000-32100	Business Licenses	$ 9,000	$ 9,000	$ 9,000	$ 9,315	103.50%	$ 9,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-33405	Franchise Fees - Gas	$ 31,000	$ 31,000	$ 31,000	$ 22,563	72.78%	$ 31,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-33406	Franchise Fees - Electric	$ 60,000	$ 60,000	$ 60,000	$ 73,762	122.94%	$ 70,000	16.67%
R 101-41000-35000	Fines and Forfeits	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 5,185	86.41%	$ 6,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-32210	Building Permits	$ 93,000	$ 172,000	$ 172,000	$ 184,367	107.19%	$ 180,000	4.65%
R 101-41000-33407	Electric Permits	$ 9,000	$ 11,500	$ 11,500	$ 8,722	75.84%	$ 11,500	0.00%
R 101-41000-32251	Right of Way Permits	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 5,750	230.00%	$ 3,000	20.00%
R 101-41000-34107	Assessment Searches	$ 600	$ 400	$ 400	$ 270	67.50%	$ 400	0.00%
R 101-41000-32180	Mailbox Posts	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 430	215.00%	$ 200	0.00%
R 101-41000-34103	Zoning Applications	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 10,150	507.50%	$ 2,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-32120	Dividends/Refunds	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000		0.00%	$ 1,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-32250	Park Shelter Rental	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 14,191	141.91%	$ 12,000	20.00%
R 101-41000-36200	Miscellaneous	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 7,852	1570.37%	$ 500	0.00%
R 101-41000-36210	Interest Earnings	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 5,178	172.61%	$ 3,000	0.00%
R 101-41000-31030	Sales Tax	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400	$ 670	167.45%	$ 400	0.00%
R 101-41000-31805	State Fire Aid	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	$ 39,184	326.53%	$ 20,000	66.67%
R 101-41000-31807	Fire Training Reimbursement			$ -	$ 18,851		$ -	
R 101-41000-39314	Election Payroll Assistance	$ -	$ -	$ -			$ -	
R 101-41000-33100	Other Grants	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,095		$ -	
R 101-41000-39315	US Bank Rebate	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 707	35.35%	$ 1,000	-50.00%
	Total General Fund Revenues	$ 1,121,200	$ 1,273,500	$ 1,323,500	$ 943,383	71.28%	$ 1,581,655	19.51%

FINAL GF REVENUE SHOULD MATCH EXPENDITURES

Acct Code	General Fund	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026
41000	Administration	$ 410,487.70	$ 441,531.30	$ 466,305.24	$ 242,248	51.95%	$ 533,018	14.31%
41110	Council	$ 35,531.00	$ 36,323.32	$ 37,825.00	$ 15,968	42.22%	$ 59,575	57.50%
41120	Boards and Commissions	$ 1,500.00	$ 3,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ 540	36.00%	$ 1,500	0.00%
41220	Building Inspection	$ 89,500.00	$ 142,000.00	$ 142,000.00	$ 70,899	49.93%	$ 170,517	20.08%
41410	Elections	$ 12,350.00	$ 2,100.00	$ 10,847.25	$ -	0.00%	$ 2,100	-80.64%
42270	Fire	$ 237,043.45	$ 236,069.00	$ 249,962.20	$ 117,004	46.81%	$ 321,176	28.49%
41130	Streets	$ 251,431.27	$ 268,256.11	$ 281,118.10	$ 154,517	54.97%	$ 353,079	25.60%
45200	Parks	$ 94,919.39	$ 104,404.98	$ 117,971.45	$ 43,992	37.29%	$ 140,690	19.26%
	Total Expenditures	$ 1,132,762.81	$ 1,234,184.71	$ 1,307,529.24	$ 645,167	49.34%	$ 1,581,655	20.97%

Acct Code	Capital Improvement Fund	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent/Received As of Nov. 2025	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Revenues								
R 450-41000-31000	General Property Tax	$ 465,000	$ 601,600	$ 1,175,000	$ 337,245.53	28.70%	$ 1,122,200	-4.49%	
R 450-41000-31300	Sales Tax	$ 280,000	$ 280,000	$ 280,000	$ 298,726.18	106.69%	$ 280,000	0.00%	
R 450-41000-32211	Park Dedication Fees	$ 1,050	$ 1,050	$ 1,050	$ 2,875.00	273.81%	$ 1,575	50.00%	
R 450-41000-31800	Local Government Aid	$ 128,963	$ 92,633	$ 54,556	$ 50,821.69	93.16%	$ 18,833	-65.48%	
R 450-41000-31806	State Small Cities Highway Aid	$ 95,000	$ 92,350	$ 50,000	$ 22,371.00	44.74%	$ 50,000	0.00%	
R 450-41130-31032	Aggregate Tax			$ -	$ 348.78	#DIV/0!	$ -	#DIV/0!	
R 450-41000-33404	Cable Franchise Fees	$ 8,000	$ 7,200	$ 6,000	$ 3,477.93	57.97%	$ 3,000	-50.00%	
R 450-41000-33161	Bond Proceeds/Loans			$ -		#DIV/0!	$ -	#DIV/0!	
R 450-42270-33100	Grants			$ -	$ 269,000.00	#DIV/0!	$ -	#DIV/0!	
R 450-41000-36200	Miscellaneous			$ -	$ 20,500.00	#DIV/0!	$ -	#DIV/0!	
R 450-41000-36210	Interest Earned	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 88.61	0.59%	$ 3,000	-80.00%	
R 450-42270-33100	Fire Department Donations			$ -	$ 10,000.00	#DIV/0!	$ -	#DIV/0!	
	Total Revenues	$ 993,013	$ 1,089,833	$ 1,581,606	$ 1,015,454.72	64.20%	$ 1,478,608	-6.51%	
	Capital Improvement Fund								
	Expenditures								
E 351-49400-616	Transfer to Water								
E 351-49450-617	Transfer to Sewer								
	General								
E 450-41000-430	Misc. Equipment/Fiscal Charges								
E 450-41000-223	City Hall				$ 55,975.74	#DIV/0!	$ 5,000		
	Council Chairs								
E 450-41000-327	Computer Equipment		$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 2,582.99	51.66%	$ 7,500	0.5	
E 450-41000-744	Warning Siren								
	Park								
E 450-45200-745	SRTS Trail Project								
	HLP Shed								
	HLP 230th Street Entrance								
E 450-45200-738	Playground Equipment						$ 2,000		
E 450-45200-530	Ballfields						$ 2,000		
	Picnic Tables								
E 450-45200-430	Misc. Equipment				$ 20,248.27	#DIV/0!	$ 20,000	#DIV/0!	
	Streets								
E 450-41130-230	Overlay	$ 575,000	$ 600,000	$ 1,000,000	$ 355,082.22	35.51%	$ 1,000,000	0.00%	
E 450-41130-233	Seal Coating	$ 75,000	$ 75,000	$ 100,000	$ 150,802.72	150.80%	$ 100,000	0.00%	
	Curb and Gutter							#DIV/0!	
	Lawn Tractor							#DIV/0!	
	Pickup							#DIV/0!	
E 450-41130-537	Plow Truck/Picku-up/Skid/Backho	$ 100,000	$ 100,000	$ 120,000		0.00%	$ 120,000	0.00%	
E 450-41130-430	Miscellaneous	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,193.50	103.87%	$ 15,000	200.00%	
	Fire								
R 450-42270-431	Fire Hall/Exhaust System	$ 30,000	$ 30,000	$ 30,000		0.00%	$ -	-100.00%	
E 450-42270-421	Vehicles	$ 80,000	$ 100,000	$ 100,000	$ 216,205.10	216.21%	$ 125,000	25.00%	Saving toward Tender & Pumper
E 450-42270-419	Turnout Gear	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 9,240.00	46.20%	$ 25,000	25.00%	
E 450-42270-737	Radios	$ 25,000	$ 25,000	$ 25,000	$ 39,670.18	158.68%	$ -	-100.00%	
E 450-42270-430	Misc. Equipment	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 260,244.00	1734.96%	$ 15,000	0.00%	(SCBA)
E 450-42270-723	Computer Equipment	$ 10,800	$ 10,800	$ 10,800		0.00%		-100.00%	
				$ 200,800					
	Land Acquisition								
	Total Expenditures	$ 945,800	$ 995,800	$ 1,631,600	$ 1,115,244.72	117.92%	$ 1,436,500	-11.96%	

Acct Code	Debt Service							
		2024	2025	2026	Spent/Received	% of Budget	2027	% Change
		Budget	Budget	Budget	As of Nov. 2025	Spent	Budget	from 2026
	Revenues							
	Property Tax	$ 40,000	$ 40,000	$ 40,000	$ 22,571	56.43%	$ 40,000	0.00%
	Interest Earning	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 267	26.68%	$ 1,000	0.00%
	Misc.					#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
	Total Revenues	$ 41,000	$ 41,000	$ 41,000	$ 22,837	55.70%	$ 41,000	0.00%
	Debt Service							
	Exenditures							
	Fire Truck Debt Service	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 34,621	96.17%	$ 36,000	0.00%
	Miscellaneous	$ -	$ -			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
	Transfer to Water	$ -	$ -			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
	Transfer to Sewer	$ -	$ -			#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
	Total Expenditures	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 34,621	96.17%	$ 36,000	0.00%

Acct Code	Administration								
		2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Personnel Costs								
E 101-41000-101	Salaries	$ 106,377	$ 142,452	$ 161,027	$ 58,678	36.44%	$ 150,286	-6.67%	Kim 60%, Jennifer 75%
E 101-41000-103	Part Time Salaries	$ 56,758	$ 42,382	$ 33,382	$ 2,064	6.18%	$ 2,082	-93.76%	Mary 5%
E 101-41000-122	FICA	$ 10,114	$ 11,460	$ 12,053	$ 4,055	33.64%	$ 9,447	-21.62%	
E 101-41000-123	Medicare	$ 2,365	$ 2,680	$ 2,819	$ 882	31.29%	$ 2,209	-21.62%	
E 101-41000-126	Employer Paid PERA	$ 11,827	$ 13,863	$ 14,581	$ 4,566	31.31%	$ 11,428	-21.62%	
E 101-41000-131	Employer Paid Health	$ 20,286	$ 22,315	$ 20,631	$ 7,293	35.35%	$ 26,688	29.36%	Kim & Jennifer
E 101-41000-143	MN Family Medical Leave			$ 1,711	$ 358	20.94%	$ 1,341	-21.62%	
E 101-41000-151	Worker's Comp	$ 2,827	$ 1,032	$ 1,135	$ 558	49.15%	$ 1,249	10.00%	
	Total Personnel Costs	$ 210,555	$ 236,183	$ 247,339	$ 78,454	31.72%	$ 204,730	-17.23%	
	Operations								
E 101-41000-160	Insurance (Buildings and Equip.)	$ 8,833	$ 9,248	$ 9,716	$ 9,298	95.69%	$ 10,688	10.00%	
E 101-41000-200	Office Supplies	$ 2,500	$ 3,000	$ 4,000	$ 1,907	47.67%	$ 4,000	0.00%	
E 101-41000-203	Legal Notice Publication	$ 1,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 698	34.90%	$ 2,000	0.00%	
E 101-41000-205	Ordinance Publication	$ 500	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 538	26.90%	$ 2,000	0.00%	
E 101-41000-206	Association Dues - LMC,	$ 16,500	$ 17,000	$ 17,000	$ 10,216	60.09%	$ 19,000	11.76%	
E 101-41000-208	Training and Instruction	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 8,000	$ 3,088	38.60%	$ 9,000	12.50%	Kim & Jennifer
E 101-41000-207	Auditing and Accounting	$ 23,000	$ 25,000	$ 25,000	$ 5,010	20.04%	$ 30,000	20.00%	
E 101-41000-302	Assessor Contract	$ 22,000	$ 22,000	$ 22,000	$ 20,023	91.02%	$ 24,000	9.09%	
E 101-41000-303	Engineering Fees	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 9,151	61.01%	$ 30,000	100.00%	Correct for underbudgeting
E 101-41000-304	Legal Fees	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 16,435	164.35%	$ 30,000	200.00%	Correct for underbudgeting
E 101-41000-305	Attorney (Prosecution)	$ 15,300	$ 15,300	$ 17,000	$ 8,500	50.00%	$ 17,000	0.00%	
E 101-41000-307	Planning	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 22,774	151.83%	$ 30,000	100.00%	Correct for underbudgeting
E 101-41000-321	Telephone	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 1,562	78.08%	$ 2,000	0.00%	
E 101-41000-322	Postage	$ 1,000	$ 1,250	$ 4,100	$ 2,569	62.65%	$ 4,100	0.00%	
E 101-41000-323	Internet	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,400	$ 835	59.63%	$ 4,000	185.71%	
E 101-41000-381	Electric Utilities	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 2,935	45.15%	$ 6,500	0.00%	
E 101-41000-383	Gas Utilities	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 4,965	76.38%	$ 7,000	7.69%	
E 101-41000-384	Garbage	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,400	$ 1,691	70.44%	$ 3,000	25.00%	
E 101-41000-430	Miscellaneous	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 18,698	934.90%	$ 43,000	2050.00%	Codification & Website Update ($40k Budget)
E 101-41000-300	Support Services	$ 5,500	$ 5,500	$ 5,500	$ 2,515	45.73%	$ 10,000	81.82%	IT Support
E 101-41000-520	Buildings and Structures	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 3,000	$ 208	6.93%	$ 5,000	66.67%	
E 101-41000-625	Animal Impound	$ 500	$ 750	$ 750	$ 925	123.33%	$ 1,500	100.00%	
E 101-41000-306	Stearns County Sheriff Contract	$ 30,000	$ 31,200	$ 31,200	$ 15,120	48.46%	$ 31,200	0.00%	
E 101-41000-309	AED Monitoring/Support		$ 1,800	$ 1,800	$ 1,125	62.50%	$ 1,800	0.00%	
E 101-41000-736	Water and Sewer Utilities	$ 1,100	$ 1,100	$ 1,100	$ 482	43.81%	$ 1,500	36.36%	
E 101-41000-332	Clean Up Day	$ 4,000	$ -	$ 4,000	$ 2,527	63.17%		-100.00%	Every Other Year
	Operations Total	$ 199,933	$ 205,348	$ 218,966	$ 163,794	74.80%	$ 328,288	49.93%	
	Total Admin Ex.	$ 410,488	$ 441,531	$ 466,305	$ 242,248.00	51.95%	$ 533,018	14.31%	

Acct Code	Council	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2025	
E 101-41110-100	Salaries	$ 28,434	$ 30,026	$ 30,026	$ 14,136	47.08%	$ 30,026	0.00%	
E 101-41110-126	Employer Contribution PERA	$ 1,422	$ 1,502	$ 1,502	$ 499	33.22%	$ 2,252	49.93%	
E 101-41110-122/123	FICA/Medicare	$ 2,175	$ 2,297	$ 2,297	$ 1,083	47.15%	$ 2,297	0.00%	
E 101-41110-331	Travel Expense	$ 2,500	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 4,000	33.33%	
E 101-41110-433	Dues and Subscriptions	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 250	50.00%	$ 500	0.00%	
E 101-41110-434	Awards and Indemnities	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ -	0.00%	$ 500	0.00%	
E 101-41110-430	Miscellaneous				$ -		$ 20,000		Council-Driven Project Availabillity
	Total	$ 35,531	$ 37,825	$ 37,825	$ 15,968	42.22%	$ 59,575	57.50%	
	Boards and Commissions								
E 101-41120-106	Salaries Planning Commission	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 540	36.00%	$ 1,500	0.00%	
	Total	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 540	36.00%	$ 1,500	0.00%	

Acct Code	Street Expenditures	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Personnel Costs								
E 101-41130-101	Salaries	$ 103,804	$ 106,517	$ 112,927	$ 56,592	50.11%	$ 126,556	12.07%	Mark 90%, Paul 60%, Chad 10%, Jennifer 5%
E 101-41130-103	Part Time Salaries	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 6,882	196.64%	$ 5,000	42.86%	Snowplowing
E 101-41130-122	FICA	$ 6,653	$ 6,821	$ 7,218	$ 3,939	54.57%	$ 8,156	12.99%	
E 101-41130-123	Medicare	$ 1,556	$ 1,595	$ 1,688	$ 921	54.57%	$ 1,908	12.99%	
E 101-41130-126	Employer Paid PERA	$ 7,526	$ 8,251	$ 8,732	$ 4,746	54.35%	$ 9,867	12.99%	
E 101-41130-131	Employer Paid Health	$ 20,859	$ 22,945	$ 25,469	$ 20,288	79.66%	$ 41,100	61.37%	Mark & Paul
E 101-41130-143	MN Family Medical Leave			$ 1,025	$ 374	36.55%	$ 1,158	12.99%	
E 101-41130-150	Worker's Comp	$ 12,669	$ 8,856	$ 9,742	$ 4,045	41.53%	$ 10,716	10.00%	
	Total Personnel Costs	$ 156,567	$ 158,485	$ 170,301	$ 97,788	57.42%	$ 204,460	20.06%	
	Operations								
E 101-41130-160	Insurance	$ 5,564	$ 5,470	$ 6,017	$ 5,811	96.58%	$ 6,619	21.00%	
E 101-41130-208	Training and Instruction	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800	$ 205	25.59%	$ 1,000	25.00%	
E 101-41130-212	Fuel	$ 12,500	$ 12,500	$ 12,500	$ 9,272	74.17%	$ 12,500	0.00%	
E 101-41130-220	Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	$ 70,000	$ 85,000	$ 85,000	$ 38,043	44.76%	$ 120,000	41.18%	Contracts & Supplies for cracksealing, potholes, gravel, etc.
E 101-41130-226	Sign Repair Materials	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 1,471	36.78%	$ 5,000	25.00%	Replace more signs
E 101-41130-342	ROW Refunds	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,500	$ 1,400	93.33%	$ 1,500	50.00%	
E 101-41130-430	Miscellaneous	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 527	52.68%	$ 2,000	100.00%	
	Operations Totals	$ 94,864	$ 109,770	$ 110,817	$ 56,728	51.19%	$ 148,619	34.11%	
	Total Street Expenditures	$ 251,431	$ 268,255	$ 281,118	$ 154,516.58	54.97%	$ 353,079	25.60%	

Acct Code	Park Expenditures	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Personnel Costs								
E 101-45200-101	Full Time Salaries	$ 19,192	$ 19,693	$ 20,879	$ 10,394	49.78%	$ 22,132	6.00%	Chad 5%, Paul 20%, Mark 5%
E 101-45200-102	Part Time Salaries	$ 31,988	$ 34,928	$ 45,676	$ 8,362	18.31%	$ 48,408	5.98%	4 Seasonals = 1924 hrs
E 101-45200-122/123	FICA/Medicare	$ 3,915	$ 4,179	$ 5,091	$ 1,437	28.23%	$ 5,396	5.99%	
E 101-45200-126	Employer Paid PERA	$ 1,995	$ 1,813	$ 2,553	$ 779	30.53%	$ 5,291	107.26%	
E 101-45200-143	MN Family Medical Leave			$ 586	$ 94	16.06%	$ 621	5.99%	
E 101-45200-150	Worker's Comp	$ 2,928	$ 2,496	$ 3,221	$ 684	21.24%	$ 3,543	10.00%	
	Total Personnel Costs	$ 60,018	$ 63,109	$ 78,005	$ 21,750	27.88%	$ 85,390	9.47%	
	Operations								
E 101-45200-160	Insurance	$ 5,651	$ 6,046	$ 6,216	$ 9,879	158.93%	$ 13,200	112.35%	
E 101-45200-220	Repair Maintenance	$ 15,000	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 8,164	40.82%	$ 25,000	25.00%	
E 101-45200-342	Refunds	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 983	19.66%	$ 5,000	0.00%	
E 101-45200-381	Utilities	$ 1,750	$ 1,750	$ 1,750	$ 1,033	59.01%	$ 2,200	25.71%	
E 101-45200-384	Garbage	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 518	32.37%	$ 2,500	56.25%	
E 101-45200-410	Rentals	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 527	26.35%	$ 2,000	0.00%	
E 101-45200-430	Miscellaneous	$ 1,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 121	6.03%	$ 3,000	50.00%	
E 101-45200-212	Fuel	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 500	$ 237	47.49%	$ 1,500	200.00%	
E 101-45200-113	State Sales Tax	$ 900	$ 900	$ 900	$ 780	86.67%	$ 900	0.00%	
	Operations Total	$ 34,901	$ 41,296	$ 39,966	$ 22,242	55.65%	$ 55,300	38.37%	
	Total Park Expenditures	$ 94,919	$ 104,405	$ 117,971	$ 43,992	37.29%	$ 140,690	19.26%	

Ken - 22 hours x 26 weeks x 25.16/hour =14392
Steve S.- 22 hours x 26 weeks x $25.16/hour =14392
Steve R. - 15hours x 26 weeks x $25.16/hour=9812

Mason - 15 hours x 26 weeks x $25.16/hour =9812

Park Part-Time Seasonals = $48,408

Acct Code	Fire Expenditures	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Personnel Costs								
	Full-Time Salaries						$ 3,958.00		Kim 5% - New 2027
E 101-42270-115	Chief Salary	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,925	130.83%	$ 3,000	0.00%	
E 101-42270-116	Officer's Salary	$ 6,300	$ 6,300	$ 6,300	$ -	0.00%	$ 6,900	9.52%	
E 101-42270-119	Administrative Duties (Officer's Pay)	$ 9,200	$ 9,200	$ 9,200	$ 1,082	11.76%	$ 20,000	117.39%	Officers Performing Administrative Tasks
E 101-42270-117	Call Salaries	$ 22,000	$ 22,000	$ 28,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 55,000	96.43%	
E 101-42270-118	Training Salaries	$ 48,000	$ 48,000	$ 40,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 50,000	25.00%	
E 101-42270-122/123	FICA/Medicare	$ 6,066	$ 6,066	$ 6,617	$ 383	5.79%	$ 10,623	60.54%	
E 101-42270-143	MN Family Medical Leave			$ 761	$ 27	3.56%	$ 1,222	60.53%	
E 101-42270-150	Worker's Comp	$ 8,135	$ 6,500	$ 6,276	$ 4,482	71.41%	$ 7,531	20.00%	
	Total Personnel Costs	$ 102,701	$ 101,066	$ 100,154	$ 9,899	9.88%	$ 158,234	57.99%	
	Operations								
E 101-42270-160	Insurance	$ 8,192	$ 8,852	$ 9,038	$ 8,252	91.30%	$ 9,942	10.00%	
E 101-42270-200	Office Supplies	$ 1,250	$ 1,250	$ 1,250	$ 680	54.36%	$ 2,000	60.00%	
E 101-42270-232	EMS Supplies	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 7,500	$ 4,071	54.28%	$ 8,500	13.33%	
E 101-42270-208	Training and Instruction	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 36,000	$ 10,394	28.87%	$ 36,000	0.00%	
E 101-42270-220	Repair Maintenance (Include radio mainte	$ 30,000	$ 30,000	$ 20,000	$ 10,959	54.79%	$ 34,000	70.00%	Ladder/Hose/Hydro Testing + other repairs
E 101-42270-223	Building Maintenance	$ 8,000	$ 8,000	$ 8,000	$ 121	1.52%	$ 15,000	87.50%	2027 Furnace & AC possible
E 101-42270-387	Utilities	$ 8,500	$ 8,500	$ 8,500	$ 5,680	66.82%	$ 10,000	17.65%	
E 101-42270-212	Fuel	$ 4,500	$ 4,500	$ 4,500	$ 851	18.92%	$ 4,500	0.00%	
E 101-42270-323	Internet	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,320	$ 513	38.89%	$ 2,500	89.39%	
E 101-42270-321	Telephone	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,700	$ 927	54.55%	$ 2,000	17.65%	
E 101-42270-384	Garbage	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 565	112.91%	$ 2,000	300.00%	
E 101-42270-410	Rentals	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000		0.00%	$ 1,000	0.00%	
E 101-42270-240	Minor Equipment	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$ 58,099	829.99%	$ 10,000	42.86%	
E 101-42270-325	IT Expenses	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 4,500	$ 1,728	38.40%	$ 1,500	-66.67%	
E 101-42270-389	Uniforms	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 2,914	58.28%	$ 8,000	60.00%	
E 101-42270-206	Dues and Subscriptions	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 5,000	$ 555	11.10%	$ 1,000	-80.00%	
E 101-42270-430	Miscellaneous	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 796	39.81%		-100.00%	
E 101-42270-260	Physicals	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 7,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 5,000	-28.57%	
	Relief Assoc. Contrtibution & 2% Funds	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 3,000	0.00%	
E 101-42270-320	National Night Out	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 3,000	0.00%	
E 101-42270-364	Grant Writing	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 4,000	0.00%	
	Ladder Testing			$ 2,000		0.00%		-100.00%	Include in Repair/Maint Line Item
	Hydro Testing			$ 5,000		0.00%		-100.00%	
	Hose Testing			$ 3,000		0.00%		-100.00%	
	Operations Total	$ 134,342	$ 135,002	$ 149,808	$ 107,105	71.49%	$ 162,942	8.77%	
	Total Fire Expenditures	$ 237,043	$ 236,068	$ 249,962	$ 117,003.59	46.81%	$ 321,176	28.49%	

Acct Code	Building Inspection								
		2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Spent As of 07/02/26	% of Budget Spent	2027 Budget	% Change From 2026	
	Full Time Salaries						$ 24,765		Kim 20%, Mary 5%, Jennifer 5%
	FICA						$ 1,535.43		(New 2027)
	Medicare						$ 359.09		
	Employer Paid PERA						$ 1,857.38		
E 101-41220-300	Professional Services	$ 76,500	$ 120,000	$ 120,000	$ 64,908.86	54.09%	$ 120,000	0%	
E 101-41220-742	Electrical Inspections	$ 8,000	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 5,989.65	59.90%	$ 10,000	0%	
E 101-41220-772	Building Surcharge	$ 5,000	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	$ -	0.00%	$ 12,000	0%	
E 101-41220-430	Miscellaneous				$ -		0		
	Total	$ 89,500	$ 142,000	$ 142,000	$ 70,898.51	49.93%	$ 170,517	20%	
	Elections								
E 101-41410-104	Temporary Salaries	$ 8,000	$ -	$ 6,500	$ -	0.00%		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-122/123	FICA/Medicare	$ -	$ -	$ 497	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-201	Mileage	$ 250	$ -	$ 250	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-202	Printing and Binding	$ 250	$ -	$ 250	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-203	Legal Notice Publication	$ 250	$ -	$ 250	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-208	Training and Instruction	$ 500	$ -	$ -	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-430	Misc.	$ 1,000	$ -	$ 1,000	$ -	#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
E 101-41410-534	Equipment	$ 2,100	$ 2,100	$ 2,100	$ -	0.00%	$ 2,100	0%	
	Total	$ 12,350	$ 2,100	$ 10,847	$ -	0.00%	$ 2,100	0%	
							$ 172,617		

2027 DRAFT PRELIMINARY LEVY IMPACT COMPARISONS

Current 2026 St. Augusta Tax Rate = 28.7358%

- The City of St. Augusta has grown in both number of households to be served and overall valuation since last year's budget cycle amounting to a projected tax capacity increase of 8.77% due to that growth in the community. At your July budget workshop discussion, Council requested staff model a few possible options for levy for your review of impacts on rates and individual property owners. Included in the following pages are 3 possible options for total levy impacts for Council's review:
  - 8% overall levy resulting in property tax rate reduction of 0.12%
  - 10% overall levy resulting in property tax rate increase of 0.48%
  - 12% overall levy resulting in property tax rate increase of 0.94%

8% Overall Levy = 0.12% Estimated City Tax Rate Reduction

Estimated Tax Rate Calculation and Tax Impact

Tax Rate Calculation	
Enter 2027 Proposed Levy in the Green Box	2,392,855
Tax Rate based on 2027 Proposed Levy:	28.618854
The tax rate calculation is based on ***preliminary*** values, which will change prior to final tax calculation. This is an estimate.	

Tax Impact - City tax only (assumes no value change from year to year)

	2026 Taxes	Est. 2027 Taxes	Difference	Monthly
Homestead				
200,000	$ 494.16	$ 490.67	($3.49)	($0.29)
300,000	$ 808.33	$ 802.62	($5.71)	($0.48)
400,000	$ 1,122.49	$ 1,114.56	($7.93)	($0.66)
500,000	$ 1,436.66	$ 1,426.51	($10.15)	($0.85)
Commercial				
500,000	$ 2,666.08	$ 2,647.24	($18.84)	($1.57)
1,000,000	$ 5,548.33	$ 5,509.13	($39.20)	($3.27)
2,000,000	$ 11,312.82	$ 11,232.90	($79.92)	($6.66)
3,000,000	$ 17,077.32	$ 16,956.67	($120.65)	($10.05)

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2027 Proposed Levy

Select Authority ---> ST AUGUSTA CITY

Use the green cells to enter the data

Fund Name	2026 Certified	2027 Proposed	% Change
NTC			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	1,175,600	1,122,200	-4.54%
DEBT SERVICE	40,000	40,000	0.00%
REVENUE	1,000,000	1,230,655	23.07%

Enter any new levy funds in the spaces below

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OPTIONAL - check this box if this is your final levy. ☐

GRAND TOTALS	**2,215,600**	**2,392,855**	**8.00%**

TNT Meeting Information - REQUIRED for Cities with a population greater than 500

Location:	St. Augusta City Hall, 1914 250th St, St. Augusta
Date and Time:	December 1, 2026 - 7:00 PM
Contact phone number:	320-654-0387 (Administrator Jennifer Nash)
Website address	www.staugustamn.gov

Signature:

Date:

10% Overall Levy = 0.48% Estimated City Tax Rate Increase

Estimated Tax Rate Calculation and Tax Impact						
Tax Rate Calculation		*Tax Impact - City tax only (assumes no value change from year to year)*				
Enter 2027 Proposed Levy in the Green Box			2026 Taxes	Estimated 2027 Taxes	Difference	Monthly
	2,442,855	Homestead				
Tax Rate based on 2027 Proposed Levy:		200,000	$ 494.16	$ 500.92	$6.76	$0.56
	29.216860	300,000	$ 808.33	$ 819.39	$11.06	$0.92
		400,000	$ 1,122.49	$ 1,137.85	$15.36	$1.28
The tax rate calculation is based on ***preliminary*** values, which will change prior to final tax calculation. This is an estimate.		500,000	$ 1,436.66	$ 1,456.31	$19.66	$1.64
		Commercial				
		500,000	$ 2,666.08	$ 2,702.56	$36.48	$3.04
		1,000,000	$ 5,548.33	$ 5,624.25	$75.92	$6.33
		2,000,000	$ 11,312.82	$ 11,467.62	$154.79	$12.90
		3,000,000	$ 17,077.32	$ 17,310.99	$233.67	$19.47

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2027 Proposed Levy

Select Authority --->	ST AUGUSTA CITY		

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Fund Name	2026 Certified	2027 Proposed	% Change
NTC			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	1,175,600	1,172,200	-0.29%
DEBT SERVICE	40,000	40,000	0.00%
REVENUE	1,000,000	1,230,655	23.07%

Enter any new levy funds in the spaces below

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OPTIONAL - check this box if this is your final levy. ☐

GRAND TOTALS	**2,215,600**	**2,442,855**	**10.26%**

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Date:

12% Overall Levy = 0.94% Estimate City Tax Rate Increase

Estimated Tax Rate Calculation and Tax Impact

Tax Rate Calculation		*Tax Impact - City tax only (assumes no value change from year to year)*				
Enter 2027 Proposed Levy in the Green Box			2026 Taxes	Estimated 2027 Taxes	Difference	Monthly
	2,481,472	Homestead				
Tax Rate based on 2027 Proposed Levy:		200,000	$ 494.16	$ 508.84	$14.68	$1.22
	29.678725	300,000	$ 808.33	$ 832.34	$24.01	$2.00
		400,000	$ 1,122.49	$ 1,155.84	$33.35	$2.78
The tax rate calculation is based on ***preliminary*** values, which will change prior to final tax calculation. This is an estimate.		500,000	$ 1,436.66	$ 1,479.34	$42.68	$3.56
		Commercial				
		500,000	$ 2,666.08	$ 2,745.28	$79.20	$6.60
		1,000,000	$ 5,548.33	$ 5,713.15	$164.83	$13.74
		2,000,000	$ 11,312.82	$ 11,648.90	$336.08	$28.01
		3,000,000	$ 17,077.32	$ 17,584.64	$507.32	$42.28

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2027 Proposed Levy

Select Authority --->	ST AUGUSTA CITY		

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Fund Name	2026 Certified	2027 Proposed	% Change
NTC			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	1,175,600	1,210,817	3.00%
DEBT SERVICE	40,000	40,000	0.00%
REVENUE	1,000,000	1,230,655	23.07%

Enter any new levy funds in the spaces below

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OPTIONAL - check this box if this is your final levy. ☐

GRAND TOTALS	**2,215,600**	**2,481,472**	**12.00%**

TNT Meeting Information - REQUIRED for Cities with a population greater than 500

Location:	St. Augusta City Hall, 1914 250th St, St. Augusta
Date and Time:	December 1, 2026 - 7:00 PM
Contact phone number:	320-654-0387 (Administrator Jennifer Nash)
Website address	www.staugustamn.gov

Signature:

Date:

moore engineering, inc.

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CIP Update Memorandum

Date: August 18, 2026

Prepared By: Chris Bunders, PE

Project: St. Augusta MN
Future 2027 Street Improvements Project

Subject: Updated CIP Cost Projections and Discussion Framework for 2027 Project Selection

Purpose

This memo provides updated cost projections for previously listed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects, incorporating a 20% inflation adjustment (10% per year) from the original 2025 estimates. It also outlines available funding for the 2027 construction season and presents a framework for council discussion regarding project prioritization.

Updated CIP Cost Estimates (Inflation-Adjusted to 2027)

Following internal review, the engineering team agreed to apply a 20% inflation factor to all 2025 CIP estimates. Updated 2027 values are shown below:

- **Starlight Acres 2025 Estimate:** \$133,101.90 2027 Adjusted Estimate: **\$161,053.30**
- **Gor-Ann Homesite 2025 Estimate:** \$201,462.53 2027 Adjusted Estimate: **\$243,769.66**
- **Vienna Hills – Mill & Overlay 2025 Estimate:** \$524,653.28 2027 Adjusted Estimate: **\$634,830.47**
- **28th/215th – OTTA Seal (previously estimated) 2025 Estimate:** \$588,424.50 2027 Adjusted Estimate: **\$706,109.40**
- **28th Street – Full Reconstruction 2025 Estimate:** \$2,284,608 2027 Adjusted Estimate: **\$2,741,530**
- **St Augusta Trail Phase 2 – 2026 Estimate:** \$518,700 Adjusted Estimate: **\$570,570**

Other project for consideration by the City Council:

- **200th Street from 13th Avenue to 20th Avenue** – 3 roadway solution options
    - Estimate for OTTA Seal \$277,065
    - Estimate for gravel road \$101,563
    - Estimate Full Depth Reclamation \$788,080

2027 Funding Outlook

The Gaberdine Road Project has a total cost to date of **$1,449,276**, inclusive of Change Order #1. Assuming the City continues its CIP funding level of **$1 million per year**, the combined 2026–2027 CIP allocation totals **$2 million**.

After accounting for Gaberdine expenditures, the **remaining available funding for 2027 is approximately $550,724**.

This amount represents the practical ceiling for project selection unless the Council elects to defer, phase, or supplement funding through alternative sources.