



# OSHKOSH'S 2026 BUDGET

SMART SPENDING AND A LOWER CITY PROPERTY TAX RATE

Each year, the City of Oshkosh develops an operating budget to support the almost **67,000 people and hundreds of businesses** that call the city home. For the 2026 budget, the City Manager's office took an approach that provides efficient, effective services; makes key strategic investments for the future and decreases the city property tax rate.

**\$47 M**

PROPOSED  
2026 TAX LEVY

UNCHANGED  
FROM LAST YEAR

**\$7.73\***

2026 CITY  
PROPERTY  
TAX RATE

*\*per \$1,000 of property value*

**↓ \$0.41\***

LOWER CITY  
PROPERTY TAX  
RATE THAN  
LAST YEAR

*\*per \$1,000 of property value*

**↓ \$91.17\***

AVERAGE SAVINGS  
ON CITY PROPERTY  
TAXES IN 2026

*\*for the median home  
value of \$225,000*

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR OSHKOSH?

The 2026 budget keeps the tax levy flat, reduces the city property tax rate and implements efficiencies to help deliver the same high-quality services residents expect for less – including police, fire and EMS; economic development; garbage and recycling collection; high-quality parks and roads.

Sound investments in the past, along with strong financial management, have helped Oshkosh create an efficient, forward-thinking budget that:

- Lowers the city's property tax rate
- Fosters investment in our community
- Provides efficient, effective services for our residents
- Draws from the fund balance at a lower level than last year

## WHAT'S NEXT?

### PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 5 p.m.  
City Hall, Room 406, 215 Church Ave.

*Members of the public are welcome to attend and voice your opinions on the proposed 2026 budget.*

*You can also provide written comments prior to the hearing by emailing [citymgr@oshkoshwi.gov](mailto:citymgr@oshkoshwi.gov).*



### BUDGET ADOPTION

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 at 6 p.m.

The Common Council will vote to adopt the proposed 2026 budget.



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