



CITY of CRESTVIEW

CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL TENTATIVE MILLAGE AND BUDGET ADOPTION AGENDA SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 5:15 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Public is invited to view our meetings on the City of Crestview Live stream at <https://www.cityofcrestview.org> or the City of Crestview Facebook Page.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Open Policy Making and Legislative Session**
- 4. Approve Agenda**
- 5. Public Hearings/Resolutions for Tentative Millage and Budget**
 - 5.1. Resolution 2025-17, Adopting the FY25/26 Tentative Millage Rate
 - 5.2. Resolution 2025-18, Adopting the Tentative FY25/26 Budget
- 6. Comments from the Mayor and Council**
- 7. Comments from the Audience**
- 8. Adjournment**

The Presentations section is for items that were submitted by a citizen or group of Citizens no later than the Wednesday 2 weeks prior to the meeting to the Clerk's office for approval. These items will be scheduled under the section titles Presentations and Reports. Supporting documents must be submitted at this time to be on the regular agenda. All Action Items are for staff and elected officials only and must be submitted for approval no later than Wednesday 10 days prior to the meeting. Those not listed on the regular agenda who wish to address the council should fill out a yellow card. The card must be submitted to the City Clerk. Speaking time should be three minutes or less, large groups may designate a spokesperson. All remarks should be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to individual members. All meeting procedures are outlined in the Meeting Rules and Procedures brochure available outside the Chambers. Florida Statute 286.0105. Notices of meetings and hearings must advise that a record is required to appeal. Each board, commission, or agency of this state or of any political subdivision thereof shall include in the notice of any meeting or hearing, if notice of the meeting or hearing is required, of such board, commission, or agency, conspicuously on such notice, the advice that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. The requirements of this section do not apply to the notice provided in s. 200.065(3). In accordance with Section 286.26, F.S., persons with disabilities needing special accommodations, please contact Maryanne Girard, City Clerk at cityclerk@cityofcrestview.org or 850-628-1560 option 2 within 48 hours of the scheduled meeting.



Staff Report

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: September 15, 2025

TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM: Resolution

TO: Mayor and City Council
CC: City Manager, City Clerk, Staff and Attorney
FROM: Gina Toussaint, Finance Director
DATE: 9/11/2025
SUBJECT: Resolution 2025-17, Adopting the FY25/26 Tentative Millage Rate

BACKGROUND:

The City has 65 to 80 days from the date of setting the proposed millage to hold a public hearing on its adoption of the tentative millage rate as required by Florida Statute 200.065.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed millage rate for Truth in Millage (TRIM) was set at 6.6466 by the City Council at the July 8, 2025, budget retreat and special meeting and has been certified by the County Property Appraiser as having a gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation with Okaloosa County of \$1,996,648,632.

TRIM provides specific guidance for the adoption of the Tentative Millage Rate. Each taxing authority levying millage must publicly read the following at the hearing before the adoption of the tentative millage.

- The name of the taxing authority: **City of Crestview.**
- The current year rolled-back rate: **6.6225.**
- Percentage of increase over the rolled-back rate; **.36**
- Millage rate to be levied: **6.6466.**

Adoption for the Final Levying of Millage is Scheduled for September 22, 2025, at 5:15 p.m in the Council Chambers at 198 N. Wilson St., Crestview, FL 32536.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

This item is consistent with the goals in A New View Strategic Plan 2020 as follows;

Foundational- these are the areas of focus that make up the necessary foundation of a successful local government.

Financial Sustainability- Achieve long term financial sustainability

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no effect on the current budget. Our current millage rate is 6.7466. Increase in revenues will be determined by property values.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff respectfully requests a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-17, Adopting the FY25/26 Tentative Millage Rate.

Attachments

None

RESOLUTION: 2025- 17

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA,
ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF A MILLAGE OF 6.6466
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, AND PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, The City of Crestview of Okaloosa County Florida on September 15, 2025, adopted the Fiscal Year Tentative Millage Rate following a Public Hearing, as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS, The City of Crestview of Okaloosa County, Florida, held a Public Hearing, as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS, The gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Okaloosa County has been certified by the County Property Appraiser to the City of Crestview as \$1,996,648,632; and

WHEREAS, all other legal requirements have been met.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Crestview of Okaloosa County, Florida that:

The Fiscal Year 2026 operating millage rate is 6.6466, which is more than the rolled-back rate of 6.6225 by .36%

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of September 2025.

JB Whitten, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maryanne Girard, City Clerk



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TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM: Resolution

TO: Mayor and City Council
CC: City Manager, City Clerk, Staff and Attorney
FROM: Gina Toussaint, Finance Director
DATE: 9/11/2025
SUBJECT: Resolution 2025-18, Adopting the Tentative FY25/26 Budget

BACKGROUND:

The City has 65 to 80 days from the date of setting the proposed millage rate to hold a public hearing on the adoption of the tentative budget as required by Florida Statute 200.065.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed millage rate for Truth in Millage (TRIM) was set at 6.6466 by the Council at the July 8, 2025, Budget Retreat & Special Meeting and has been certified by the County Property Appraiser.

On August 11th 2025, the proposed budget was provided to the Council projecting appropriation and revenue estimates. The presentation provided such information as departmental expenditures, capital projects, proposed new positions, etc.

At the direction of the Council, staff moved forward with the budget process. The proposed FY 2026 Budget includes \$81,206,821 in revenues and appropriations.

Trim provides a very specific timetable as set by Florida Statutes for the tentative budget adoption. If compliance with the specified timeframe is not met, the rollback rate of 6.6225 will apply, resulting in ad valorem tax collections equal to the prior year.

Adoption of the Final Budget is scheduled for September 22, 2025, at 5:15 P.M. in the Council Chambers at 198 N. Wilson St. Crestview, FL 32536.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact on the current budget. This resolution is for the budget effective for the 25/26 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff respectfully requests a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-18, Adopting the Tentative FY 25/26 Budget.

Attachments

1. FY 2026 Budget Summary

RESOLUTION: 2025- 18

**RESOLUTION:
2025-18**

**A
RESOLUTION
OF THE CITY
OF
CRESTVIEW,
FLORIDA,
ADOPTING
THE
TENTATIVE
BUDGET FOR
THE FISCAL
YEAR
BEGINNING
OCTOBER 1,
2025 AND
ENDING
SEPTEMBER
30, 2026, AND
PROVIDING
FOR AN
EFFECTIVE
DATE**

WHEREAS, The City of Crestview of Okaloosa County, Florida on September 15, 2025 held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS, The City of Crestview of Okaloosa County, Florida, set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 in the amount of \$81,206,821 and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Crestview of Okaloosa County, Florida that:

1. The Fiscal Year 2026 Tentative Budget be adopted.
2. Appropriations may be transferred within funds for the purpose of equalization when needed by a budget transfer with the approval of the City Manager and the Finance Director as necessary.
3. The City Council during Fiscal Year 2026 may, by resolution, make any amendments to the Budget adopted by this Resolution, as it may deem necessary and proper.
4. All Budget Amendments requesting additional expenditures must also identify the corresponding funding source.

5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of September 2025.

JB Whitten, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maryanne Girard, City Clerk

2026 City of Crestview Budget Summary

Division	Revenue	Carry Forward/ Reserve/ Restricted	Grants & Aide	Debt Proceeds	From Restricted Funding Source	Personnel Expenses	Operating Expenses	Capital Expenses	Debt Contingency Transfers	Total
General Fund Summary										
0012- Mayor	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94,992	\$ 36,617	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (131,609)
0213-Clerk	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,732	\$ 79,028	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (286,760)
0311-G&A	\$ 32,853,021	\$ 1,367,236	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,702	\$ 690,613	\$ 135,081	\$ 1,151,581	\$ 32,147,280
0412-City Manager	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 525,397	\$ 32,220	\$ 5,400	\$ -	\$ (563,017)
0413-Human Resources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 375,048	\$ 174,822	\$ 7,224	\$ -	\$ (557,094)
0416- Information	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 332,380	\$ 949,791	\$ 15,652	\$ 38,000	\$ (1,335,823)
0419-PIO	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 138,614	\$ 32,869	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (171,483)
0510-PS Administration	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,488,080	\$ 274,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,626,358)
001-0610-Fleet	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 161,974	\$ 115,949	\$ 41,192	\$ -	\$ (319,115)
001-0721-Police	\$ 321,205	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118,774	\$ 6,887,341	\$ 1,504,824	\$ 610,826	\$ -	\$ (8,563,012)
001-0822-Fire	\$ 84,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,185,680	\$ 885,918	\$ 130,338	\$ -	\$ (7,117,736)
001-0000 Dispatch	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 138,278	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,626,358)
001-1141-Streets	\$ 107,517	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,015,853	\$ 1,674,240	\$ 914,959	\$ 2,262,328	\$ -	\$ (3,428,157)
001-1142-1/2 Sales Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,600,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,139,661	\$ 1,460,339	\$ -
001-1424-Code	\$ 182,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 153,205	\$ 41,775	\$ 15,372	\$ -	\$ (28,352)
001-1562-Animal Services	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 454,839	\$ 126,213	\$ 10,680	\$ 5,000	\$ (571,732)
001-2319-Facilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 360,913	\$ 459,002	\$ 245,056	\$ -	\$ (1,064,971)
001-2413-Finance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 761,283	\$ 56,490	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (817,773)
001-2515-Planning	\$ 247,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 554,298	\$ 175,988	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (483,286)
0001-2771-Grounds MNT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 543,492	\$ 162,066	\$ 96,446	\$ -	\$ (802,004)
001-2772-CRES Admin	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 140,281	\$ 113,338	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (253,619)
001-2773-Athletics	\$ 63,500	\$ -	\$ 1,205,342.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 574,047	\$ 613,222	\$ 1,804,900	\$ -	\$ (1,723,327)
001-2774-Library	\$ 139,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 737,737	\$ 302,581	\$ 130,830	\$ -	\$ (1,031,648)
001-2275-Special Events	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,800	\$ 123,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (138,650)
001-2776-Cultural Serv	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 85,613	\$ 25,721	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (41,334)
001-3010-Operations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 247,818	\$ 86,988	\$ 17,844	\$ -	\$ (352,650)
001-3120-Logistics	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 309,188	\$ 58,661	\$ 19,188	\$ -	\$ (387,037)
Totals	\$ 34,162,943	\$ 1,367,236	\$ 1,505,342	\$ -	\$ 4,734,627	\$ 23,251,382	\$ 8,175,828	\$ 7,688,018	\$ 2,654,920	\$ -
Building & Permitting Special Revenue Summary										
125-2624 Permitting	\$ 1,088,909	\$ 732,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 977,900	\$ 179,935	\$ 345,396	\$ 317,963	\$ -
Totals	\$ 1,088,909	\$ 732,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 977,900	\$ 179,935	\$ 345,396	\$ 317,963	\$ -
Community Development Block Grant										
150-2854 CDBG	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 221,487	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,930	\$ 188,557	\$ -	\$ -
Totals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 221,487	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,930	\$ 188,557	\$ -	\$ -
Utility Fund Summary										
440-0311 G&A	\$ -	\$ 747,954	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ 2,211,666	\$ -	\$ 125,800	\$ -	\$ 3,858,883	\$ (650,063)
440-0310 Engineering	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,385	\$ 73,986	\$ 13,440	\$ -	\$ (549,811)
440-0510 Administration	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 398,392	\$ 379,638	\$ 35,224	\$ -	\$ (813,254)
440-1513 Customer Serv.	\$ 25,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400,358	\$ 117,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (492,508)
440-1633 Water	\$ 5,172,434	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,897,171	\$ -	\$ 835,422	\$ 1,205,280	\$ 5,101,180	\$ -	\$ 4,927,723
440-1735 Sewer	\$ 7,078,227	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,713,861	\$ -	\$ 1,350,439	\$ 1,194,965	\$ 7,746,843	\$ -	\$ 499,841
440-1935 Wastewater	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,519,928	\$ 1,402,000	\$ -	\$ (2,921,928)
Totals	\$ 12,276,361	\$ 747,954	\$ 375,000	\$ 10,611,032	\$ 2,211,666	\$ 3,446,996	\$ 4,617,447	\$ 14,298,687	\$ 3,858,883	\$ -
Sanitation Fund										
441- Sanitation	\$ 8,578,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,578,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Totals	\$ 8,578,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,578,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Stormwater Utility										
442- Stormwater	\$ 570,964	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 224,646	\$ 136,464	\$ 24,672	\$ 185,182	\$ -
Totals	\$ 570,964	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 224,646	\$ 136,464	\$ 24,672	\$ 185,182	\$ -
Crestview Unlimited										
443 - Crestview Unlimited	\$ 1,336,330	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 723,820	\$ 505,700	\$ 67,323	\$ 39,487	\$ -
Totals	\$ 1,336,330	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 723,820	\$ 505,700	\$ 67,323	\$ 39,487	\$ -
Community Redevelopment Agency										
670-0311 CRA	\$ 385,240	\$ 301,366	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 268,400	\$ 400,000	\$ 18,206	\$ -
Totals	\$ 385,240	\$ 301,366	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 268,400	\$ 400,000	\$ 18,206	\$ -
Totals	\$ 58,398,826	\$ 3,148,841	\$ 2,101,829	\$ 10,611,032	\$ 6,946,293	\$ 28,624,744	\$ 22,494,783	\$ 23,012,653	\$ 7,074,641	\$ -

Total Budget \$ 81,206,821