



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

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To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
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Re: Setting the 2018 Property Tax Rate

Executive Summary

This is a supplemental memo relating to the ordinance setting the 2018 Property Tax Rate for the City of Columbia at \$0.4100 (per \$100 assessed valuation).

Discussion

The City of Columbia levies property taxes to support operations of basic services in the General Fund. The 2018 property tax supports the City's FY2019 budget. Property taxes will comprise approximately 10% of the total General Fund revenue in the FY2019 budget.

The FY2019 budget submitted to Council will include amendments to the property tax rate to remain the same as prior year(s) at \$0.4100 (per \$100 assessed valuation). This rate of \$0.4100 (per \$100 assessed valuation) is lower than the maximum rate for 2017 as permitted by Article X, Section 22 and Section 137.073 RSMo due to voluntary reductions taken in prior years.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The City collected approximately \$8.2 million in property taxes in FY2018 allowing the City to provide critical services to citizens.

Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Operational Excellence, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	Section 137.073(6) requires the State Auditor to certify the tax rate ceiling and the debt service levy, if applicable, to the taxing



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	authority. Council shall set the rate of taxation for the City of Columbia within the limits prescribed by state law, per section 152 of the City Charter.
08-06-2018	Public hearing on reversing voluntary reduction taken in prior even numbered years. [Subsequent to the public hearing the Council voted to not reverse voluntary reductions taken in prior years].
08-20-2018	Resolution to set the public hearing for the 2018 property tax rate.
08-20-2018	Public hearing held on setting the 2018 property tax rate.

Suggested Council Action

Adoption of the attached ordinance.