

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village
12/3/2019

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
2019 Aggregate Tax Levy for the Village of Downers Grove	Judy Buttny Finance Director

SYNOPSIS

The Council will pass ordinances establishing and abating certain tax levies on December 10, 2019. The levy must be filed with the County by December 31, 2019.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2019-2021 include *Steward of Fiscal, Environmental and Neighborhood Sustainability*.

FISCAL IMPACT

Without the abatement of any debt, the proposed levy is estimated to be \$30,143,586. However, it is recommended that tax levy abatements totaling \$9,674,936 which would abate all Village debt, be approved. Therefore, the net taxes to be raised by taxation for 2018 upon the taxable property are \$20,468,650 which includes the levy for the Village, Special Service Areas and the Public Library. The Village portion of the levy after abatements is estimated to be \$14,628,464. This levy amount is reflected in the FY20 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the December 10, 2019 active agenda.

BACKGROUND

The tax levy process requires the adoption of the motion presented in advance of the following:

- Publication of Truth in Taxation Notice and Announcement of Public Hearing 11/20/19
- Public Hearing on Tax Levy 12/03/19
- Adoption of Tax Levy 12/10/19
- Abatement of Certain Debt Levies 12/10/19
- Last day to file Levy with the County 12/31/19

Annually, the Village Council is required to levy taxes for the following 1) Village Services defined as corporate/police, fire protection, police pension, fire pension, the total amount of all General Obligation (G.O.) Bond payments due for the fiscal year 2) Library operating and 3) all Special Services Areas.

Following the levy of taxes, the Council may *abate* or reduce the levy (reduce the property tax collections) for the specific amount that the Village has other resources available to pay for debt service. The amount to be abated is determined by the budget when specific revenues such as water revenues that are identified to

pay for bonds issued to improve the water system, revenues from stormwater and capital funds, and revenues from the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts that are available and budgeted for debt service. The Mayor and Village Council have the opportunity to evaluate the proposed tax levy in the context of the budget. In addition, the proposal includes the tax levy and abatements. The amounts proposed for abatement are those debt instruments for which the Village has funds other than property taxes identified to pay principal and interest obligations.

Levy	2019 recommended levy before abatements	2019 recommended levy after abatements
Corporate levy	3,086,645	3,086,645
Fire Protection levy	2,935,500	2,935,500
Fire Pension	4,014,795	4,014,795
Police Pension	3,620,000	3,620,000
Capital	971,524	971,524
Debt Service:		
GO Bonds, Series 2010	2,824,500	-
GO Bonds, Series 2010B	1,258,400	-
GO Bonds, Series 2012	1,934,619	-
GO Bonds, Series 2014	779,425	-
GO Bonds, Series 2015	513,150	-
GO Bonds, Series 2016	745,750	-
GO Bonds, Series 2017	1,129,092	-
GO Bonds, Series 2019	490,000	-
Total Debt Service	9,674,936	-
Village Levy	24,303,400	14,628,464
Projected Village Tax Rate		0.5570
Library Operating	5,497,919	5,497,919
Special Service Area #2	247,000	247,000
Special Service Area #6	95,267	95,267
Total All Levies	30,143,586	20,468,650

**PROCEDURES FOR TRUTH IN TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING
2019 TAX LEVY**

1. Mayor Opening Remarks:

I would like to call this public hearing to order. This public hearing has been called by the Village Council pursuant to the Illinois Truth in Taxation Law to consider the proposed 2019 tax levy of the Village of Downers Grove. Notice of this hearing was published in Enterprise Newspapers, Inc. (The Bugle) on November 20, 2019 and a copy of the notice and the proof of publication have been presented and are made a part of the official record of this hearing.

I would like to summarize the procedures which we will follow for tonight's public hearing.

1. I will ask the Village Manager to summarize the proposed 2019 tax levies.
2. I will then ask if any member of the Council wishes to make a statement or ask a question.
3. There will then be an opportunity for members of the public to make statements or comments, or to submit written statements or comments for the record.
4. I will again ask if any member of the Council wishes to make a statement or ask a question.
5. Thereafter, the hearing will be adjourned.

At this hearing, witnesses will not be sworn and a verbatim written transcript of the statements or testimony given at the hearing will not be prepared.

- 2. Village Manager Presentation.**
- 3. Questions or comments from the Village Council.**
- 4. Questions or comments from the public.**
- 5. Final questions or comments from the Village Council.**
- 6. Adjournment.**

ORDINANCE NO. _____

2019 AGGREGATE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

An ordinance levying taxes for corporate purposes of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County Illinois for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of January, 2019 and ending on the thirty-first day of December, 2019.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1. That a tax for the following sums of money, as listed below and detailed on the following pages, or as much thereof as may be authorized by law, to defray all expenses and liabilities of the Village, be and the same is hereby levied for the purpose specified against all taxable property in the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of January, 2019, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, 2019.

TAX LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 BY FUNDS	
CORPORATE	\$4,058,169.00
FIRE PROTECTION	\$2,935,500.00
POLICE PENSION	\$3,620,000.00
FIRE PENSION	\$4,014,795.00
CBD TIF DEBT SERVICE 2010	\$2,824,500.00
CBD TIF DEBT SERVICE 2010B	\$1,258,400.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS DEBT SERVICE 2012	\$1,934,618.76
REFUNDING BOND SERIES 2014	\$779,425.00
REFUNDING BOND SERIES 2015	\$513,150.00
REFUNDING BOND SERIES 2016	\$745,750.00
REFUNDING BOND SERIES 2017	\$1,129,092.00
STORMWATER BOND SERIES 2019	\$490,000.00
TOTAL VILLAGE OPERATIONS	\$24,303,399.76
PUBLIC LIBRARY-OPERATING	\$5,497,919.00
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$29,801,318.76

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois is hereby directed to file with the County Clerk of DuPage County, Illinois, on or before the last Tuesday of

December, A.D. 2019, a copy of this ordinance duly certified by said Village Clerk.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Mayor

Passed:

Attest: _____
Village Clerk

Filed in the office of the County Clerk

this _____ day of _____, 20____