

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

2026

The governing body of

City of Topeka

will meet on 9/02/2025 at 6:00 PM at Council Chambers, 214 SE 8th Street Topeka, KS 66603 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.

Detailed budget information is available at www.topeka.org/finance/budget/ and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget.

Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate *
General	107,545,618	25.554	127,570,984	26.557	156,396,265	45,750,276	28.558
Debt Service	20,232,030	10.717	21,611,803	9.718	29,472,721	12,363,096	7.717
Library							
Special Liability	2,612,795	0.681	1,536,185	0.681	2,623,900	1,090,615	0.681
Topeka Metropolitan Transit	6,532,718	4.200	6,361,707	4.200	7,103,000	6,728,403	4.200
Special Highway	6,891,912		7,083,000		7,681,698		
Special Alcohol & Drug	695,927		746,025		734,996		
Alcohol & Drug Safety	9,275		5,742		6,504		
Law Enforcement	497,913		551,477		551,477		
Transient Guest Tax	2,926,181		2,795,693		3,138,961		
Retirement Reserve	1,137,819		1,127,170		3,633,742		
Historical Asset Tourism					27,911		
Half Cent Sales Tax (JEDO)	14,157,766		21,753,806		22,501,811		
Half Cent Sales Tax (Street)	18,491,827		27,914,744		28,467,924		
Tax Increment Financing	970,000		901,000		1,065,000		
Court Technology	26,035		39,000		250,000		
Downtown Improvement	164,175		203,011		203,011		
Community Development	1,626,964		1,615,321		1,700,000		
Tourism Improvement	356,504		379,247		352,200		
Federal Funds Exchange	3,955,000		1,995,000		1,550,000		
Facilities	3,778,852		3,508,272		3,555,688		
Combined Utilities	112,153,285		110,365,912		120,312,356		
Public Parking	2,849,633		3,103,494		3,157,282		
Fleet	2,601,226		3,664,128		2,310,636		
IT	5,810,263		6,702,768		6,931,006		
Opioid Settlement	6,600		0		834,441		
Economic Development	44,260		1		1,018,536		
NOTO BID	10,544		15,000		17,000		
Landbank	0		0		500,000		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	40,038,417						
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Totals	356,152,321	41.152	351,550,490	41.156	406,098,066	65,932,390	41.156
<i>Revenue Neutral Rate **</i>							<i>35.183</i>
Less: Transfers	31,681,933		16,700,000		20,877,000		
Net Expenditure	324,470,388		334,850,490		385,221,066		
Total Tax Levied	59,614,364		62,332,728		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed							
Valuation	1,458,664,253		1,525,051,820		1,602,025,952		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
January 1,	<u>2023</u>		<u>2024</u>		<u>2025</u>		
G.O. Bonds	146,865,000		135,848,023		132,565,000		
Revenue Bonds	299,405,000		373,865,000		382,170,000		
Other	3,980,000		2,530,000		23,031,902		
Lease Purchase Principal	3,348,498		2,394,362		1,348,590		
Total	453,598,498		514,637,385		539,115,492		

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Brenda Younger

City Official Title: City Clerk