

Pflugerville lowers property tax rate

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The City Council voted unanimously to give Pflugerville residents a half-cent property tax reduction next year while still maintaining current city services and programs.

The newly proposed tax rate of \$0.599 per \$100 valuation is approximately 3.5 cents lower than the effective rate, which is the rate required to produce the same amount of property tax revenue as the previous fiscal year.

The city will implement cost-saving measures such as postponing previously planned expansions in the water and wastewater departments due to a decrease in demand and outsourcing landscape work.

One new addition to the budget is a General Capital Reserve Fund to purchase items on a one-time basis. The budget includes a salary adjustment for 40 police officers to be competitive with other cities in the area, a 3 percent pool for merit-based employee raises and several additional positions for the city.

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