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Council Approves FY 2019-2020 Budget

At the September 24 meeting, Council approved the final read of the FY 2019-2020 Annual Budget. Assessed valuations came in at an overall 3.9% increase. The proposed base General Fund Budget expenditures total \$18,260,005. A Supplemental Budget totaling \$424,986 is also included. Council also held a record vote and approved the current tax rate of \$0.56302 for the upcoming fiscal year.

Council held a public hearing and approved the first read of an ordinance amending the Use Regulations in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by adding the use "vehicle storage or vehicle auction." The amendment provides a definition of vehicle storage or vehicle auction as the storage, impoundment, or parking of three or more operable motor vehicles on a lot, tract, or roadway for the purpose of holding such vehicles pending sale or distribution and provides the zoning districts where the use is permitted or permitted with a conditional use permit. Vehicle storage on a public right-of-way or City street with the intent of auction or sale, as defined in the ordinance, is not allowed in residential zoning areas. Council approved the first read of the ordinance by a vote of 6-1. The second read will be considered at the October 8 City Council meeting.

Council approved the requested Community Waste Disposal rate increase. The contract with CWD allows an annual CPI rate adjustment in October of each year. The City's five-year contract with CWD began in 2018 and this is the first requested rate adjustment. Residents monthly bill will increase from \$15.99 to \$16.19, and for seniors (with the 10% discount) from \$14.40 to \$14.57 which is 1.3% overall increase.

During the Mayor and Council comments, Police Chief Doug Reim invited residents to attend the National Night Out event to be held at Doubletree Ranch Park from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1.

In the City Manager Report, the [HVTV Update](#), which was filmed inside the Olive Branch Tea Room inside the Painted Tree Marketplace, informed residents of the events taking place at National Night Out at Doubletree Ranch Park on October 1 which include BBQ sandwiches by the CoServ Snackin' Wagon for the first 100 attendees, a bike obstacle course and a Corn Hole tournament benefiting the Fallen Officer Fund. The Update also included information on Paper Shredding Day which is scheduled for September 28 and the final Concert in the Park featuring King George on October 5 at Doubletree Ranch Park.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Spectrum 15; Frontier 43) and via website streaming by searching HVTV. The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city [website](#).