

**MEDINA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF**  
**JUNE 20, 2017**

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on June 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Medina City Hall, 2052 County Road 24, Medina, MN.

**I. Call to Order**

**Members present:** Mitchell, Anderson (6:24 p.m.), Martin, Pederson

**Members absent:** Cousineau

**Also present:** City Administrator Scott Johnson, Public Works Director Steve Scherer, Finance Director Erin Barnhart, Public Safety Director Ed Belland and City Planner Dusty Finke

**II. 2018 Budget – General Fund**

Finance Director Erin Barnhart provided the City Council with the proposed budget for 2018. Staff provided a proposed budget that includes a 3% overall General Fund increase. The City is also proposing a total levy increase of 2.5%. Barnhart discussed increases to annual contracts, upfront expenses for IT upgrades, a proposed cost of living increase of 3%, and the need to maintain quality service levels. A very preliminary estimation shows the tax rate would decrease from 22.269% (2017) to 21.615% (2018) which is a 2.9% decrease.

Council directed staff to move forward with the proposed 2018 budget and requested further information. Staff will provide 5 years of history on cost of living increases, discussed the retirement of some bonded debt starting in 2019, and providing license and permit numbers. Staff was directed to move the Budget Open House to 6 p.m. on September 19, 2017 so the full City Council would be in attendance.

**Adjournment**

*Mitchell closed the meeting at 6:45 p.m.*

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Bob Mitchell, Mayor

Attest:

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Jodi M. Gallup, City Clerk

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