

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**Report for the Village**  
**11/20/2018**

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>
Motion to Estimate 2018 Aggregate Tax Levy for the Village of Downers Grove	Judy Buttny Finance Director

**SYNOPSIS**

A motion is requested to determine the tax levy estimate upon the taxable property in the Village in accordance with State law, which requires this action no less than 20 days prior to the adoption of the aggregate tax levy. The motion additionally directs staff to prepare ordinances to abate the preliminary tax levies related to the 2018 tax levies.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

The goals for 2017-2019 include *Steward of Financial, Environmental and Neighborhood Sustainability*.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

This action establishes the maximum amount that the Village's tax levy cannot exceed. For this reason, it must include all potential components of the 2018 tax levy.

Those components, contained in the following table, total \$28,243,199. The process of abating, or reducing portions of the tax levy (because other sources of funding are available) will have the effect of lowering that amount to \$19,474,154 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 \$13,800,025. These figures are consistent with the FY2019 budget, which is scheduled for adoption on November 20, 2018.

Levy	2018 recommended levy before abatements	2018 recommended levy after abatements
Corporate levy	2,997,145	2,997,145
Fire Protection levy	2,850,000	2,850,000
Fire Pension	3,611,356	3,611,356
Police Pension	3,370,000	3,370,000
Capital	971,524	971,524
Debt Service:		
GO Bonds, Series 2010A	1,741,300	-
GO Bonds, Series 2010B	1,078,000	-
GO Bonds, Series 2012	1,932,919	-
GO Bonds, Series 2013A	835,375	-
GO Bonds, Series 2014	790,625	-
GO Bonds, Series 2015	512,750	
GO Bonds, Series 2016	745,150	
GO Bonds, Series 2017	1,132,926	-
Total Debt Service	8,769,045	-
<b>Village Levy</b>	<b>22,569,070</b>	<b>13,800,025</b>
Projected Village Tax Rate		0.5501
Library Operating	5,337,785	5,337,785
Special Service Area #2	247,000	247,000
Special Service Area #6	89,344	89,344
<b>Total All Levies</b>	<b>28,243,199</b>	<b>19,474,154</b>

## 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 11/21/18
- Public Hearing on Tax Levy 12/04/18
- Adoption of Tax Levy 12/11/18
- Abatement of Certain Debt Levies 12/11/18
- Last day to file Levy with the County 12/24/18

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.

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE  
COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY**

**INITIATED:** Finance Director      **DATE:** November 20, 2018  
(Name)

**RECOMMENDATION FROM:** N/A      **FILE REF:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Board or Department)

**NATURE OF ACTION:**      **STEPS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT ACTION:**

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| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resolution</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> | <p>Motion to find and determine that the aggregate levy for the Village of Downers Grove, as defined in the Illinois Truth in Taxation Law, estimated to be necessary to be raised by taxation for 2018 upon the taxable property in Downers Grove is \$28,243,198.76. This amount is based upon an estimated levy of \$3,968,669 for corporate and police; \$2,850,000 for fire; \$3,370,000 for police pension; \$3,611,356 for fire pension; \$5,337,785 for library operating; \$1,741,300 for Central Business District 2010 Series debt service; \$1,078,000 for Central Business District 2010B Series debt service; \$1,932,918.76 for Capital Projects 2012 Series debt service; \$835,375 for Central Business District 2013A Series debt service; \$790,625 for Refunding Bonds 2014 Series debt service; \$512,750 for Refunding Bonds 2015 Series debt service; \$745,150 for Refunding Bonds 2016 Series debt service; and \$1,132,926 for Refunding Bonds 2017 Series debt service.</p> |
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The estimated levy for Special Service Area #2, CBD Special Service Area, is \$247,000 and the estimated levy for Special Service Area #6, Fairview Fire Protection District Special Service Area, is \$89,344. The estimated levies is \$0 for the following Special Service Areas: Area #4, Green Acres; Area #5, Atwood; Area #7, Dunham Subdivision; Area #8, Nelson Meadow Subdivision; Area #9 35<sup>th</sup> & Saratoga Subdivision and Area #10 Bridgepoint Downers Grove Subdivision.

A public hearing will be held on these proposed levies on December 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers. The adoption of the proposed levies will be held on December 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers. Staff is also directed to prepare ordinances to abate certain 2018 tax levies.

**SUMMARY OF ITEM:**

Adoption of this motion will estimate the 2018 Village aggregate levy as shown above. This will be the subject of a public hearing on December 4, 2018.

**RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN:**

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