

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village Council Meeting
12/6/2022

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
2022 Aggregate Tax Levy	Robin Lahey Finance Director

SYNOPSIS

The Council will pass ordinances establishing and abating certain tax levies on December 13, 2022. The levy must be filed by December 31, 2022.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2021-2023 include *Steward of Fiscal, Environmental and Neighborhood Sustainability*.

FISCAL IMPACT

Without the abatement of any debt, the proposed levy is estimated to be \$29,564,222. However, it is recommended that tax levy abatements totaling \$6,238,178 which would abate all Village debt, be approved. Therefore, the net taxes to be raised by taxation for 2022 upon the taxable property are \$23,326,044 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 \$16,887,831. This levy amount is reflected in the FY23 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the December 13, 2022 Active Agenda.

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 11/23/22
- Public Hearing on Tax Levy 12/06/22
- Adoption of Tax Levy 12/13/22
- Abatement of Certain Debt Levies 12/13/22
- Last day to file Levy with the County 12/31/22

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, and revenues from stormwater and capital funds that are available and budgeted for debt service.

Levy	2022 recommended levy before abatements	2022 recommended levy after abatements
Corporate levy	3,501,751	3,501,751
Fire Protection levy	2,935,500	2,935,500
Fire Pension	4,467,226	4,467,226
Police Pension	5,011,830	5,011,830
Capital	971,524	971,524
Debt Service:		
GO Bonds, Series 2014	788,275	-
GO Bonds, Series 2015	516,050	-
GO Bonds, Series 2016	744,600	-
GO Bonds, Series 2019	489,200	-
GO Bonds, Series 2020	1,829,703	-
GO Bonds, Series 2022	1,870,350	-
Total Debt Service	6,238,178	-
Village Levy	23,126,009	16,887,831
Projected Village Tax Rate		0.5620
Library Operating	5,921,063	5,921,063
Special Service Area #6	117,150	117,150
Special Service Area #11	400,000	400,000
Total All Levies	29,564,222	23,326,044

**PROCEDURES FOR TRUTH IN TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING
2022 TAX LEVY**

1. Mayor Opening Remarks:

I would like to call this public hearing to order. This public hearing has been called by the Village Council pursuant to the Illinois Truth in Taxation Law to consider the proposed 2022 tax levy of the Village of Downers Grove. Notice of this hearing was published in the Daily Herald on November 23, 2022 and a copy of the notice and the proof of publication have been presented and are made a part of the official record of this hearing.

I would like to summarize the procedures which we will follow for tonight's public hearing.

1. I will ask the Village Manager to summarize the proposed 2022 tax levies.
2. I will then ask if any member of the Council wishes to make a statement or ask a question.
3. There will then be an opportunity for members of the public to make statements or comments, or to submit written statements or comments for the record.
4. I will again ask if any member of the Council wishes to make a statement or ask a question.
5. Thereafter, the hearing will be adjourned.

At this hearing, witnesses will not be sworn and a verbatim written transcript of the statements or testimony given at the hearing will not be prepared.

- 2. Village Manager Presentation.**
- 3. Questions or comments from the Village Council.**
- 4. Questions or comments from the public.**
- 5. Final questions or comments from the Village Council.**
- 6. Adjournment.**