

RESOLUTION NUMBER R18-022

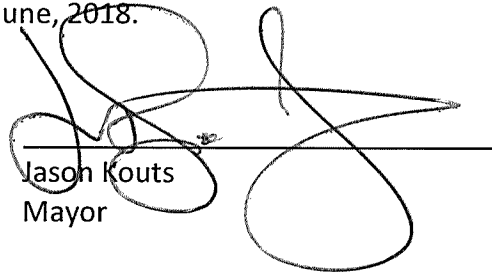
A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAFFORD, GRAHAM COUNTY, ARIZONA MAKING LEVY FOR TAXES FOR ALL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Safford having heretofore, to wit on the 14th day of May, 2018, prepared the tentative budget for the City of Safford for the year 2018-2019 and the notice of the same has been published in a local newspaper in the City of Safford, all as provided by law, and hearing on such estimates contained and after all taxpayers who appeared were heard for or against any proposed expenditures or proposed tax levy, and such budget appeared in all respects to be lawful for the best interest of the administration of the City of Safford government and activities and was adopted for the ensuing fiscal year; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the tax rate per hundred dollars of assessed valuation to be levied on account of all property, both real and personal, for which taxes are to be levied and collected for the General Fund of the City of Safford, is hereby fixed at \$0.5135 for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019; and,


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAFFORD that such budget having been published and adopted that the total tax levy of \$0.5135 per hundred dollars assessed valuation is hereby made against the taxable property within the City of Safford, pursuant to *Arizona Revised Statutes* §42-17107.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Safford, Graham County, Arizona this 25th day of June, 2018.




Jason Kouts
Mayor

ATTEST:



Georgia Luster, MMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



William J. Sims, III
City Attorney

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State of Arizona)
) ss
County of Graham)

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing Resolution Number R18-022 was duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Safford, Graham County, Arizona, at a regular council meeting held June 25, 2018, and that a quorum was present at the meeting.

June 25, 2018
Date:

Georgia Luster
Georgia Luster, MMC, City Clerk

Truth in Taxation Analysis

Calculation for Truth in Taxation Hearing Notice pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-17107

Actual current primary property tax levy:	\$	240,882
Net assessed valuation:	\$	47,735,145
Value of new construction:	\$	822,749
Net assessed value minus new construction:	\$	46,912,396
MAXIMUM TAX RATE THAT CAN BE IMPOSED WITHOUT A TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING:	\$	0.5135
Growth in property tax levy capacity associated with new construction:	\$	4,225
MAXIMUM PRIMARY PROPERTY TAX LEVY WITHOUT A TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING:	\$	245,120
Proposed primary property tax levy:	\$	245,120
Proposed increase in primary property tax levy, exclusive of new construction	\$	-
Proposed percentage increase in primary property tax levy:		0.0%
Proposed primary property tax rate:	\$	0.5135
Proposed increase in primary property tax rate:	\$	0.0000
Proposed primary property tax levy on a home valued at \$100,000	\$	51.35
Primary property tax levy on a home valued at \$100,000 if the tax rate was not raised:	\$	51.35
Proposed primary property tax levy increase on a home valued at \$100,000:	\$	0.00

he has successfully negotiated the purchase of two properties in the area that will eventually allow the City to construct a “loop” street from 8th Street over to 7th Street. Eighth Street will be closed at the intersection of 8th Street and Highway 70. Staff believe purchasing these two properties will be the best alternative to eliminate the construction the cul-de-sac. Mr. Skeete referred to a conceptual drawing of the proposed loop street included in the packet. He asked for direction from the Council regarding the purchase of these two properties: Parcel 1, owned by Roper Investment would be purchased for \$266,000 and Parcel 2, owned by Ms. Dian Pederson would be purchased for \$55,000. The City of Safford will pay all closing costs. Payment for these two properties will come out of the Fund Balance for future street development and improvement projects. Construction of the street has not been evaluated, but \$1.5 million is budgeted for the complete reconstruction 8th Street from Highway 70 to Highway 191. The design may be completed in this budget year with construction of the street the following budget year.

The Council believe it will be an improvement to the area because the alley can be opened, gas lines moved from the front of the street into the alley, and drainage relief.

Mayor Kouts stated for the record, that his grandmother owns property and lives on the north side of 8th Street and that he is currently working for Roper Investments but has had absolutely zero discussions with Roper Investments.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Ortega, seconded by Councilman Taylor and carried unanimously to approve the purchase of these two parcels of land in the Jensen Addition area for the future construction of connecting a road looped between Seventh and Eight Streets. Parcel 1 is owned by Roper Investment and will be purchased for the amount of \$266,000. Parcel 2 is owned by Ms. Dian Pederson and will be purchased for \$55,000. The City of Safford will pay all closing cost associated with these two purchases of land.

MOTION ADOPTED

9. **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **RESOLUTION NUMBER R18-022: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution Number R18-022, setting the levy for taxes at \$0.5135 for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the Assessed Valuation of Property subject to Taxation within the City of Safford for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019.** Ms. Flores reminded the Council that a Public Hearing was held on June 11th seeking public comment on the budget and tax levy. Resolution Number R18-022 sets the levy for taxes at \$0.5135 for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the Assessed Valuation of Property subject to taxation within the City of Safford for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019. Property tax revenues to be collected will remain the same while the individual tax rate for the City of Safford decreased slightly.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Ortega, seconded by Councilman McGaughey and carried unanimously to approve and adopt Resolution Number R18-022, setting the levy for taxes

at \$0.5135 for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the Assessed Valuation of Property subject to Taxation within the City of Safford for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019.

MOTION ADOPTED

10. REPORTS:

1. Over \$5,000 Report
2. P-Card Report
3. Prosecution Report

There were no questions, nor comments regarding the above reports.

11. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS: The Mayor or any member of Council may at this time present a brief summary of current events and provide future agenda items. However, no discussion shall take place on such items except for clarifying comments related to substance, time and location.

- 4th of July Parade and Events, Wednesday, July 4th. Council will participate.

12. REPORT ON OPERATIONAL ITEMS: The city manager, members of city staff or those individuals designated by the manager may present information pertinent to items under consideration or information related to the operation of the City. There shall however be no discussion at this time except for clarification inquiries. (If not listed below)

- **Purchase of Fire Truck:** Mr. Skeete stated the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Budget includes the replacement of a Pumper Fire Truck. During the discussions with the fire truck manufacturer, the Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief jumped at the opportunity to discuss the feasibility of adding a ladder truck rather than another pumper truck which will address the needs of expansion and development of Safford. The Fire Station currently will house this truck without doing any remodeling to the station. It is perfect timing to explore the possibility of adding a ladder to this truck without having to create any additional room at the Fire Station. The City may never get this opportunity again. The estimated cost to replace the Pumper Truck is about \$800,000. He turned the time over to Chief Bingham and Assistant Chief Anderson.

Fire Chief Bingham and Assistant Chief Anderson: Chief Bingham stated that he and Assistant Chief Anderson have been talking with Pierce Manufacturing discussing the design of a replacement truck and cost of the truck. He stated Pierce Manufacturing will build the truck which will be a forty-two feet long, tandem axle truck with a 107 foot stick ladder and will cost about \$1.2 million. Chief Bingham pointed out that a 107 foot stick ladder truck will provide all the service of reaching out to multiple story buildings. The Thatcher Fire Department has a Platform Ladder Fire Truck and we can always call them out in an emergency. The two communities work well together and help each other out during emergencies. In fact, Thatcher Fire Department assisted the Safford Fire Department just last week.