

**ARLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2018**

The Special Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m., Mayor Nagel presiding.

Members Present: Mayor Rich Nagel, Michelle Battcher, Ben Jaszewski, Jim Heiland.

Members Absent: Tom Hatlestad, Adam Cowell

Also Present: City Adm. Pat Melvin, Kurt Menk

Motion by Battcher, seconded by Heiland, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the agenda as presented.

Mayor Nagel stated the purpose of the meeting was to finalize the 2019 Preliminary Tax Levy.

Adm. Melvin stated that he was presenting a resolution to rescind the resolution approved at a previous meeting adopting the 2019 Preliminary Tax Levy. In said previous levy, he had some bond payments listed, but did not include the assessments that go with said bond payments. The City's Auditor has since reviewed the proposed levy and suggested a 10% increase. Adm. Melvin had a chance to review the minimum requirement for the reserve fund and found that the City needs to have 5-6 months of expenditures in that account. The City has over one million dollars in the reserves account currently (this does fluctuate). City Adm. Melvin commented that a CD in the amount of approximately a quarter of a million dollars just matured and was put into a money market account and earning interest. It was available if the Council decided to use it for one of the larger projects. He added that the City has over four million dollars in investments.

Councilmember Battcher introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 61-2018

A RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 60-2018

WHEREAS, Resolution 60-2018, Setting the Preliminary 2019 Tax Levy, as approved on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 contained inaccuracies in bond amounts payable in 2019 through the City levy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ARLINGTON, MINNESOTA, TO RESCIND MOTION 60-2018, SETTING THE PRELIMINARY 2019 TAX LEVY.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Heiland, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Cowell, Hatlestad.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Arlington this 28th day of September, 2018.

Signed: /s/ Rich Nagel
Mayor

Attest: /s/ Patrick Melvin
City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Councilmember Battcher introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 62-2018

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE PRELIMINARY 2019 TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the City of Arlington strives to proactively address the needs of the public we service in an efficient and effective manner to enhance the quality of life for the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary tax levy is required by statute to be set by September 30th and subsequent final adoption may not exceed this amount; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to continue to examine the budget over the next few months and to make adjustments according to City Council priorities and resource limitations; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of the City of Arlington will be notified of the impact of the preliminary tax levy on their truth in taxation statements sent out in November and will be provided an opportunity to provide input regarding the proposed net tax levy and budget at the public hearing December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. held in the Council Chambers at the Arlington Community Center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Arlington, County of Sibley, Minnesota, that the following sums of money be levied for the current year, collectible in 2019, upon taxable property in the City of Arlington for the following proposed purposes:

General Fund	\$554,904
Fire Pumper Certificate	\$59,892
2015 G.O. Bond	\$75,162
Pub. Project Lease Rev.	\$62,850
2009 G.O. RF Bonds	\$58,898
2012 G.O. Bonds	\$15,592
2017 G.O. Bonds	\$56,194
Other Levies (Tax Abatement)	\$ 2,500
Total Tax Levy	\$885,992

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City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Motion by Battcher, seconded by Jaszewski, and passed by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 pm.

/s/ Pat Melvin
City Administrator Patrick Melvin

/s/ Rich Nagel
Mayor Richard Nagel