



STPAUL.GOV

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Truth-in-Taxation Public Hearing

November 25, 2025



Important:

The City Council will adopt the 2026 budget at its regular City Council meeting at 3:30pm on **December 3, 2025**.



Community members can find the 2026 budget documents on the city's official website.

www.stpaul.gov/budget

Visit the website to find:

- The Mayor's proposed budget for 2026.
- Departmental overviews and funding summaries.
- Key initiatives and major changes proposed.



- **Total Proposed Operating Budget:** \$886.9 million
- **General Fund:** \$405.0 million (3.9% increase)
 - Increase of \$15.1 million from 2025
 - Decrease of 36.4 FTEs
- **Property Tax Levy:** \$232.5 million (5.3% increase)
 - Increase of \$11.7 million from 2025
 - **Impact:** \$9 per month increase for median value home



Proposed Budget Levy Distribution

City of Saint Paul

	2025 Adopted	2026 Proposed	Change from 2025	% Change from 2025
City of Saint Paul				
General Fund	170,737,939	180,273,258	9,535,319	5.6%
Debt Service	24,710,069	26,240,681	1,530,612	6.2%
Public Library Agency	22,449,086	23,085,491	636,405	2.8%
Total (City and Library)	217,897,094	229,599,430	11,702,336	5.4%
Port Authority	2,901,700	2,901,700	0	0.0%
	220,798,794	232,501,130	11,702,336	5.3%



Taxes and Fees on a Typical Home

City of Saint Paul

Typical home valued at \$275,300 in 2025 and an estimated \$289,200 in 2026

	2025	Estimated 2026	Change
City Share of Property Tax	\$1,336	\$1,443	\$107
Sanitary Sewer Charges (14% volume fee increase)	\$359	\$404	\$45
Storm Sewer Charges (14% increase)	\$128	\$146	\$18
Recycling Fee (3% increase)	\$173	\$178	\$5
Residential Waste Collection	\$43	\$43	\$ -
Subtotal: Direct Billing for City services	\$2,039	\$2,214	\$175
Water Charges (SPRWS)	\$453	\$509	\$57
Grand Total: All City Services	\$2,492	\$2,723	\$232



Housing and Economic Opportunity: \$13.1 million

- Housing Production - \$6.6 million
- Housing Affordability - \$4.9 million
- Economic Opportunity - \$1.6 million



Modernizing City Services – Technology & Innovation: \$3M

- New Permitting & Licensing System (PAULIE) - \$626K
- Cyber Security - \$1.08 million
- Grant Management System - \$115K
- Robotic Street Marking Vehicle - \$450K
- Facilities Management Study - \$100K
- Mobile Device Management Audit – 60K
- Priority Based Budget Consulting - \$100K
- Cannabis Registration Administration - \$116K
- Data Practice Team - \$166K
- Council Offices Access and Security - \$200K



Next Steps

- Continued review and discussion by the City Council
- Ongoing community input
- Budget adoption scheduled for **December 3**

Stay Informed

- Review budget documents online at www.stpaul.gov/budget
- View calendar and resolutions at <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar>
- Continue to share your feedback to help shape the final budget

Thank You!