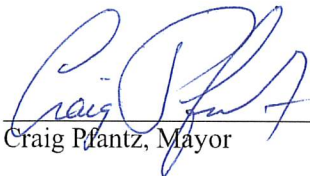


STATE CENTER  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 23, 2024  
State Center City Hall

Mayor Pfantz opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Present were Quick, Darrow, Grant, Nichols, and Shaffar. Absent: None. Also present were L. Bearden, M. Kielly, and Chief Thomas.

- 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 381 was tabled for corrections.
- L. Bearden and M. Kielly began the FY25 budget discussion. Valuations were finally posted the previous day, January 22<sup>nd</sup> by the county auditor. The first draft of the budget has the total tax levy rate per \$1,000.00 valuation on regular property of \$13.21166. Included in that \$13.21166 are levies of: Consolidated General Fund levy – 8.09999, Liability/Property Insurance levy – 1.55592, Support of Emergency Management Commission - .07768, Employee Benefit levy – 1.54784 and debt service levy – 1.93023. Department expense budgets were reviewed along with a spreadsheet that estimated ending fund balances for FY25. There was a motion by Shaffar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrow to approve a maximum total levy rate of \$13.2166. This current year's (FY24) total levy rate is \$13.16902. There was further discussion regarding the proposed individual levy rates. The clerk will have a more complete budget ready for the February regular meeting so that the first budget public hearing, Property Tax Levy Hearing, can be set. This year proposed property tax levies are required to be set and submitted in time for the county auditor's office to complete and mail "in-truth taxation" statements to each property owner prior to the public hearing. This is a new step in the local government property tax process.

There being no further business, motion by Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nichols to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion passes, 5-0.

  
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Craig Pfantz, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Lori Bearden, City Clerk