



**Tuesday, August 29, 2023
5:30 PM**

**City Council
Special Called Meeting Agenda**

**Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street**

Call to Order

Declaration of Special Called Meeting

Public Hearing

1. **2023-588** Hold Public Hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for the City of Hattiesburg for fiscal year ending September 30, 2024.

Policy Items

1. **2023-589** Adopt a Resolution levying ad valorem taxes on all taxable properties within the City of Hattiesburg for the purpose of raising revenue for said city for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024.

Meeting Recess



Memorandum

To: Mayor Toby Barker and Members of City Council

From:

cc:

Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2023

Re: Hold Public Hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for the City of Hattiesburg for fiscal year ending September 30, 2024.
File Number: 2023-588
Minute Book #

Summary

Recommendation Statement

Please place this on the August 29, 2023 City Council meeting for consideration.

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND
PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 FOR THE CITY OF
HATTIESBURG, MS**

The City of Hattiesburg will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget and proposed tax levies for Fiscal year 2024 on Tuesday, August 29, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 200 Forrest Street, Hattiesburg, MS.

The City of Hattiesburg, Hattiesburg Municipal Separate School District, and the Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County are now operating with a projected total budget revenue of \$240,475,072. Twenty and one tenths percent (20.1%) or \$48,306,896 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For next fiscal year, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$249,841,176. Of that amount, 20.3%, or \$50,669,961 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For the next fiscal year, the City of Hattiesburg plans to decrease your ad valorem tax millage rate from the current 118.65 down to 118.19 mills.

A millage rate of 51.89 will produce the same amount of revenue from ad valorem taxes for the City of Hattiesburg as was collected the prior year. The millage rate for the previous year was 53.13.

A millage rate of 64.45 will produce the same amount of revenue from ad valorem taxes for the Hattiesburg Separate School District as was collected the prior year. The millage rate for the previous year was 65.52.

Any citizen of the City of Hattiesburg is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for Fiscal Year 2024 and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.



Memorandum

To: Mayor Toby Barker and Members of City Council

From:

cc:

Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2023

Re: Adopt a Resolution levying ad valorem taxes on all taxable properties within the City of Hattiesburg for the purpose of raising revenue for said city for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024.
File Number: 2023-589
Minute Book #

Summary

Recommendation Statement

Please place this on the August 29, 2023 City Council meeting for consideration.

**A RESOLUTION LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES ON
ALL OF THE TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE
CITY OF HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, FOR THE PURPOSE
OF RAISING REVENUE FOR SAID CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

WHEREAS, the governing authorities of the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, are required by Section 21-33-45 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 at a meeting held on August 29, 2023 to levy the municipal ad valorem taxes for the fiscal year next succeeding, and are required to fix this rate or levy for the municipality and the municipal separate school district and to express the rates or levies therefore in mills or a decimal fraction of a mill; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities have fully, carefully and maturely considered the requirements of the various funds of the City of Hattiesburg and of Hattiesburg Municipal Separate School District; and

WHEREAS, the Council does now find, determine and adjudge that the tax rates or levies appearing hereinafter for the said City of Hattiesburg, in order to raise funds required to meet the expenses of said City of Hattiesburg and for municipal purposes and the expense of said school district:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, that the following ad valorem tax rates or levies be and the same are hereby fixed, imposed and levied for the current fiscal year 2023-2024 of said City upon said assessed value of all of the taxable property in the City of Hattiesburg, Forrest and/or Lamar Counties, Mississippi, and in said municipal separate school district, as said property is now assessed and listed, and as it may be hereafter assessed and listed upon the assessment rolls of said City of Hattiesburg, as of January 1, 2023, and the said rates or levies expressed in mills or a decimal fraction of a mill and determining the ad valorem taxes to be collected upon each dollar of valuation upon the assessment rolls of the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and upon each dollar or valuation for the municipal separate school district as shown upon the assessment rolls of said City, being fixed, imposed, and levied as follows, to wit:

TAX LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
CITY OF HATTIESBURG

For General Revenue Purposes and General Improvements: General Fund Section 27-39-307, Code of 1972	41.25 Mills
For Parks and Recreation Purposes: Parks and Recreation Fund Section 21-37-43, Code of 1972	2.00 Mills
For Library Purposes: Library Fund Section 39-3-7, Code of 1972	1.85 Mills
For Municipal Bonds and Interest: For General Municipal Bonds and Interest Section 21-33-87, Code of 1972	5.00 Mills
For Disability and Relief: For Police and Firemen’s Disability And Relief Section 21-29-117, Code of 1972	2.53 Mills
For Hattiesburg Mass Transit System SB No. 2841-MS Legislative Session Of 1975	0.50 Mills
TOTAL EXCLUSIVE OF SCHOOLS	<u>53.13 Mills</u>
For School Purposes and Maintenance of Schools: District Maintenance, Section 37-57-1	58.33 Mills
For School Bonds and Interest: Section 37-59-23	4.12 Mills
For School Notes and Certificates of Indebtedness: Section 37-59-107	2.61 Mills
TOTAL LEVY FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES	<u>65.62 Mills</u>
TOTAL LEVY FOR ALL PURPOSES UPON EACH DOLLAR ASSESSED VALUATION	<u><u>118.75 Mills</u></u>

The above and foregoing Resolution, after having been first reduced to writing, was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____, and was adopted by the following vote, to-wit:

YEAS:

NAYS:

The President thereby declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, this the 29th day of August, 2023.

(S E A L)

ATTEST:

ADOPTED:

CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT

The above and foregoing Resolution having been submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 6th day of September, 2022.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR