

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

2027

The governing body of

Harper

will meet on September 14, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall 201 W. Main St. Harper, KS 67058 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall 201 W. Main St. Harper, KS 67058 and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget.

Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2025		Current Year Estimate for 2026		Proposed Budget for 2027		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	1,066,480	43.554	1,055,200	46.550	1,081,618	494,541	39.272
Debt Service	88,451	3.453	91,013	1.819	156,113	15,055	1.196
Library	69,650	5.461	69,750	5.523	72,750	68,451	5.436
Airport	10,701		39,300		26,530	6,411	0.509
Police & Fire Equipment	28,637	2.266	27,709	2.363	31,209	27,691	2.199
Employee Benefits	200,137	16.108	225,487	14.505	248,770	237,264	18.842
Special Highway	353,570				158,152		
Special Parks & Recreation					49,695		
Equipment Reserve	415,764		106,400		415,697		
Fire Equipment Reserve	585,915		60,000		183,468		
Street Reserve			25,000		166,633		
Capital Improvement Program	9,754		25,000		59,251		
Economic Incentive	161,128		196,500		81,655		
Transient Guest Tax	34,552		26,000		90,882		
Infrastructure Sales Tax	251,790		173,265		417,383		
Street/Infrastructure Sales Tax	1,246,454		492,269		603,085		
Cobblestone CID					88,623		
Water Utility	637,498		760,225		857,860		
Sewer Utility	302,513		274,710		313,773		
Water Reserve	58,853		167,500		216,970		
Sewer Reserve	17,798		70,100		400,634		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	70,239						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	6,621						
Non-Budgeted Funds-C	35,407						
Non-Budgeted Funds-D							
Totals for City	5,651,912	70.842	3,885,428	70.760	5,720,751	849,413	67.454
<i>City Revenue Neutral Rate (excluding Recreation Commission)**</i>							69.488
Recreation	42,600	3.270	60,800		66,585	62,962	5.000
Totals Includes Recreation	5,694,512	74.112	3,946,228	70.760	5,787,336	912,375	72.454
Less: Transfers	345,355		307,576		368,887		
Net Expenditure	5,349,157		3,638,652		5,418,449		
Total Tax Levied	888,311		874,973		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed							
Valuation	12,539,513		12,365,644		12,592,581		

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
January 1,			
G.O. Bonds	2,595,700	3,555,000	3,195,000
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	14,741	0	0
Lease Purchase Principal	0	0	0
Total	2,610,441	3,555,000	3,195,000

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Tiffany M. Cooperrider

City Official Title: City Administrator/Clerk