



# City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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## Legislation Text

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**ADMINISTRATION** - *Joe Huss, Finance Director*

### **CERTIFY PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND TAX LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021**

Minnesota Statutes require that cities annually certify preliminary budget and property tax levies to county auditors by September 30. As discussed at previous budget workshops, the preliminary budget may be adjusted either up or down, however, once set, the property tax levy can only be lowered. Thus, the Council does have the ability to reduce the preliminary tax levy as the 2020 budget process unfolds.

The levy proposed in the attached resolution would, per the best estimates of staff given data currently available, result in a combined 2021 net tax capacity rate that equals the 2020 combined net tax capacity rate for the City and EDA of 36.802%.

The proposed General Fund expenditure budget totals \$36,073,800. Preliminary revenue sources provide a safe margin of revenues over expenditures of \$765,600.

By motion, approve the following resolution

**WHEREAS**, current tax law requires cities to certify a proposed budget and tax levy to the county auditor; and

**WHEREAS**, guidelines established by the Commissioner of Revenue require this to be done by September 30; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Revenue certified the local government aid amounts to cities that were set for payable 2021 by the current tax law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine,

Minnesota, that the proposed expenditure budget for the General Fund is \$36,073,800; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proposed 2021 net levy for the General Fund; the Pavement Management Program; Parks Reinvestment Program; Improvement Bonds of 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2019 and 2020; General Obligation Refunding Bonds of 2013; and Equipment Certificates of 2017, and 2018 is \$33,685,000; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the resolution represents a good faith effort by the City to substantially comply with the applicable law and the guidance supplied by the Commissioner of Revenue.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2020.