

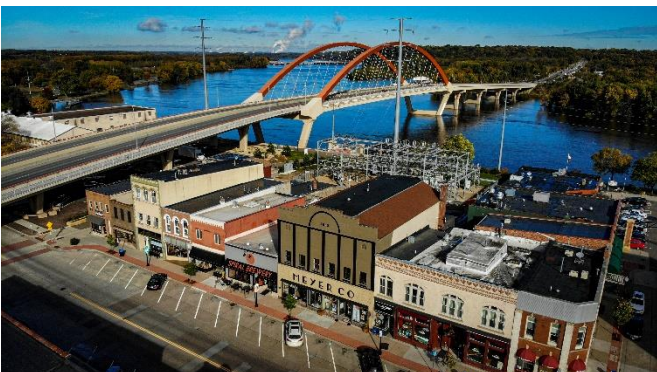


## 2024 Budget at a Glance

The city's budget intends to be a financial plan that prioritizes high quality services in a fiscally responsible manner. The process to develop the budget is a collaborative effort of the city budget team, the finance committee of the council, and the management team. Careful planning and preparation ensure our CORE Values guide the way. The 2024 city budget is \$48.8 million.

## The 2024 Property Tax Levy is \$18.6 million

The property tax levy is the primary funding source for services such as police protection, fire protection, and parks and recreation. In 2024, the city levy is proposed to increase 7.34 percent. A homeowner with median value home (\$312,900) will see an estimated annual property tax increase of \$106, or \$8.83 per month, from the city's portion of property taxes.



## Where Do Your Dollars Go?



## Monthly Costs for Levy-Supported City Services

- ◆ \$15.73 - City Operations
- ◆ \$1.26 - Community Development\*
- ◆ \$13.15 – Debt Service\*\*
- ◆ \$2.37 – Facilities Management
- ◆ \$11.68 – Insurance, Benefits
- ◆ \$18.20 – Parks and Recreation
- ◆ \$62.04 – Public Safety
- ◆ \$15.32 – Public Works

\*The City Council approved a 2024 HEDRA Special Levy subject to the limit of 0.185 percent of the taxable market value. This levy is used for economic development activities that help grow key areas of the city such as the Vermillion Corridor, downtown and the Industrial Park.

\*\*The City's debt supports assets such as the Aquatic Center, Riverfront Renaissance, street infrastructure, fire trucks and other similar items.

## What's New in 2024?

- ◆ Ongoing funding for 2 new Firefighter/EMTs
- ◆ Increased costs for street maintenance and IT maintenance and security
- ◆ Increased funding for skim patching and mill and overlay
- ◆ New ladder truck for Fire Department
- ◆ New brush truck
- ◆ \$393,000 for trail rehabilitation
- ◆ Funding the Community Investment Fund for city partner projects
- ◆ Ensure market rate wages for staff
- ◆ Part-time office support specialist for Parks Department
- ◆ Communications intern

For more detailed information about the proposed budget and levy, go to [www.hastingsmn.gov/budget](http://www.hastingsmn.gov/budget).



## 2023 City of Hastings by the Numbers

### Budget Process

- 4 Finance Committee Meetings
- 2 City Council Workshops
- 9 City Council Regular Meetings
- 1 City Council Hearing
- 32 Weeks allocated to budget process

### Public Safety

- 32 Full-time Police Officers
- 20 Full-time Firefighter/Paramedics
- 22 Paid-on-call Firefighter/Paramedics
- 1 Fire Marshal
- 1 Fire Inspector
- 4 Fire Trucks (1 ladder, 3 engines)
- 4 Rescue/Specialty Trucks
- 2 Boats
- 3 Ambulances
- 13 Marked Squad Cars
- 32 Body Worn Cameras for Hastings Police

### Parks and Recreation

- 1 Hastings Family Aquatic Center
- 2 Sheet Hastings Civic Ice Arena
- 420 acres of parks
- 30 miles of trails
- 22 playgrounds
- 1 dog park
- 1 Rotary Pavilion and Performance Space
- 2 Staff members plan recreation opportunities

### Public Works

- 105 miles of streets maintained
- 1,340 fire hydrants maintained
- 2.5 million gallons of water used daily in the city
- 108 miles of water mains maintained
- 1.45 miles of City streets and underground utilities reconstructed in 2023
- 2.2 miles of City Streets resurfaced in 2023