

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Rick Von Holdt with the following members present: Larry Janssen; Chris Kielblock; Chad Cummings; Amy Ernst; Dennis Weber.

Staff present: Steve Robinson, City Administrator; Deb Olsen, Finance Director; Denise Deitchman, Assistant Finance Director; Troy Appel, Public Safety Director; Todd Wietzema, Public Works Director; Matt Selof, Community Development Director; Pat Shorter, Fire Chief; Tammy Makram, Memorial Auditorium Manager; Hyunmyeong Goo, City Engineer; Mindy Eggers, City Clerk.

Others Present: Sam Martin, The Globe.

**2023 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Steve Robinson, City Administrator, gave an outline of items that make up the levy increase for 2025.

He explained a higher rate of 12% has been budgeted for insurance as renewals which are not received until late October/November. The unions will also be negotiating new contracts which will affect the cost of living increase.

Departments discussed their overall budgets and noted the significant changes they had for 2025.

Mr. Robinson said there are items in the budget that can be adjusted if needed to bring down the levy amount.

Council discussed the pre-certification levy amount but wanted time to think about it so did not take action.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Council Member Kielblock, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Mindy L. Eggers, MCMC  
City Clerk