

CITY OF COLUMBUS
2016 - 2017 BUDGET
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**2016-2017
STATE OF NEBRASKA
CITY/VILLAGE BUDGET FORM**

City of Columbus
TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
Platte County

This budget is for the Period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017

Upon Filing, The Entity Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

The following **PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX** is requested for the ensuing year:

\$ 4,036,843.00	Property Taxes for Non-Bond Purposes
\$ 572,000.00	Principal and Interest on Bonds
\$ 4,608,843.00	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required

Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of October 1, 2016

(As of the Beginning of the Budget Year)

Principal	\$ 45,985,000.00
Interest	\$ 15,178,248.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness	\$ 61,163,248.00

\$ 1,462,262,669 **Total Certified Valuation (All Counties)**

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016?

YES NO

If YES, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by December 31, 2016.

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the Subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016?

YES NO

If YES, Please submit Trade Name Report by December 31, 2016.

County Clerk's Use ONLY

APA Contact Information

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Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-20-2016

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk

City of Columbus in Platte County

Line No.	Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers	Actual 2014 - 2015 (Column 1)	Actual/Estimated 2015 - 2016 (Column 2)	Adopted Budget 2016 - 2017 (Column 3)
1	Net Cash Balance	\$ 42,186,681.00	\$ 44,609,904.00	\$ 50,970,277.00
2	Investments	Included		
3	County Treasurer's Balance	Included		
4	Beginning Balance Proprietary Function Funds (Only If Page 6 is Used)			\$ -
5	Subtotal of Beginning Balances (Lines 1 thru 4)	\$ 42,186,681.00	\$ 44,609,904.00	\$ 50,970,277.00
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes (Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)	\$ 4,197,031.00	\$ 4,276,075.00	\$ 4,431,580.00
7	Federal Receipts	\$ 1,131,727.00	\$ 824,500.00	\$ 16,973,840.00
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	\$ 12,271.00	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,500.00
9	State Receipts: MIRF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
10	State Receipts: Highway Allocation and Incentives	\$ 2,145,692.00	\$ 2,154,520.00	\$ 2,259,000.00
11	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Fee	\$ 175,593.00	\$ 166,500.00	\$ 167,000.00
12	State Receipts: State Aid	\$ -	\$ -	
13	State Receipts: Municipal Equalization Aid	\$ 18,637.00	\$ -	\$ -
14	State Receipts: Other	\$ 328,210.00	\$ 776,600.00	\$ 1,010,060.00
15	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit	\$ -	\$ -	
16	Local Receipts: Nameplate Capacity Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
17	Local Receipts: Motor Vehicle Tax	\$ 467,068.00	\$ 425,000.00	\$ 430,000.00
18	Local Receipts: Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 6,362,610.00	\$ 6,600,000.00	\$ 6,400,000.00
19	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax	\$ 244,051.00	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 230,000.00
20	Local Receipts: Other	\$ 35,796,832.00	\$ 45,739,000.00	\$ 38,034,775.00
21	Transfers In of Surplus Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
22	Transfers In Other Than Surplus Fees	\$ 6,949,669.00	\$ 7,471,300.00	\$ 15,318,450.00
23	Proprietary Function Funds (Only if Page 6 is Used)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
24	Total Resources Available (Lines 5 thru 23)	\$ 100,016,072.00	\$ 113,284,899.00	\$ 136,236,482.00
25	Total Disbursements & Transfers (Line 22, Pg 3, 4 & 5)	\$ 55,406,168.00	\$ 62,314,622.00	\$ 103,593,035.00
26	Balance Forward/Cash Reserve (Line 24 MINUS Line 25)	\$ 44,609,904.00	\$ 50,970,277.00	\$ 32,643,447.00
27	Cash Reserve Percentage			105%
PROPERTY TAX RECAP		Tax from Line 6		\$ 4,431,580.00
		County Treasurer's Commission at 1% of Line 6		\$ 44,315.80
		Delinquent Tax Allowance		\$ 132,947.20
		Total Property Tax Requirement		\$ 4,608,843.00

City of Columbus in Platte County

To Assist the County For Levy Setting Purposes

The Cover Page identifies the Property Tax Request between Principal & Interest on Bonds and All Other Purposes. If your municipality needs more of a breakdown for levy setting purposes, complete the section below.

Property Tax Request by Fund:		Property Tax Request
General Fund	\$	4,036,843.00
Bond Fund	\$	572,000.00
_____ Fund		
_____ Fund		
Total Tax Request	** \$	4,608,843.00

** This Amount should agree to the Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required on the Cover Page 1.

Cash Reserve Funds

Statute 13-503 says cash reserve means funds required for the period before revenue would become available for expenditure but shall not include funds held in any special reserve fund. If the cash reserve on Page 2 exceeds 50%, you can list below funds being held in a special reserve fund.

Special Reserve Fund Name	Amount	
Sales Tax for Capital & LB 840 Plan	\$	4,044,695.00
Combined Utility Funds	\$	13,634,986.00
Library Foundation & Endowment	\$	497,014.00
Debt Service & Others	\$	6,317,940.00
Total Special Reserve Funds	\$	24,494,635.00
Total Cash Reserve	\$	32,643,447.00
Remaining Cash Reserve	\$	8,148,812.00
Remaining Cash Reserve %		26%

Documentation of Transfers of Surplus Fees:

(Only complete if Transfers of Surplus Fees Were Budgeted)

Please explain where the monies will be transferred from, where the monies will be transferred to, and the reason for the transfer.

Transfer From:	Transfer To:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$

Reason:

Transfer From:	Transfer To:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$

Reason:

Transfer From:	Transfer To:
Amount: \$	Amount: \$

Reason:

City of Columbus in Platte County

Line No.	2016-2017 ADOPTED BUDGET Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:						
2	General Government	\$ 1,604,600.00	\$ 395,000.00	\$ 54,000.00	\$ -	\$ 670,250.00	\$ 2,723,850.00
3	Public Safety - Police and Fire	\$ 5,503,320.00	\$ 759,500.00	\$ 673,850.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,936,670.00
4	Public Safety - Other	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
5	Public Works - Streets	\$ 2,382,900.00	\$ 19,628,000.00	\$ 279,000.00	\$ 312,300.00	\$ 2,258,700.00	\$ 24,860,900.00
6	Public Works - Other	\$ 676,600.00	\$ 2,400,000.00	\$ 56,800.00	\$ 507,500.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 3,675,900.00
7	Public Health and Social Services	\$ 1,367,850.00	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 537,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,989,850.00
8	Culture and Recreation	\$ 4,379,635.00	\$ 17,870,000.00	\$ 429,400.00	\$ -	\$ 7,260,500.00	\$ 29,939,535.00
9	Community Development	\$ 2,539,150.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 83,700.00	\$ -	\$ 2,626,850.00
10	Miscellaneous	\$ 14,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,000.00	\$ 559,600.00
11	Business-Type Activities:						
12	Airport	\$ 259,950.00	\$ 605,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 864,950.00
13	Nursing Home	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
14	Hospital	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
15	Electric Utility	\$ -	\$ 65,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,775,000.00	\$ 3,840,000.00
16	Solid Waste	\$ 1,307,030.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 241,000.00	\$ 114,000.00	\$ 1,927,030.00
17	Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
18	Wastewater	\$ 2,590,030.00	\$ 10,570,000.00	\$ 704,000.00	\$ 1,461,000.00	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 15,655,030.00
19	Water	\$ 1,814,370.00	\$ 1,631,000.00	\$ 55,500.00	\$ 1,270,000.00	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 5,100,870.00
20	Other	\$ 2,884,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,884,000.00
21	Proprietary Function Funds (Page 6)					\$ -	\$ -
22	Total Disbursements & Transfers (Lns 2 thru 21)	\$ 27,332,035.00	\$ 54,108,500.00	\$ 2,958,550.00	\$ 3,875,500.00	\$ 15,318,450.00	\$ 103,593,035.00

(A) **Operating Expenses** should include Personal Services, Operating Expenses, Supplies and Materials, and Equipment Rental.

(B) **Capital Improvements** should include acquisition of real property or acquisition, construction, or extension of any improvements on real property.

(C) **Other Capital Outlay** should include other items to be inventoried (i.e. equipment, vehicles, etc.).

(D) **Debt Service** should include Bond Principal and Interest Payments, Payments to Retirement Interest-Free Loans from NDA (Airports) and other debt payments.

(E) **Other** should include Judgments, Transfers, Transfers of Surplus Fees, and Proprietary Function Funds if a separate budget is filed.

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Line No.	2015-2016 ACTUAL/ESTIMATED Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:						
2	General Government	\$ 1,527,220.00	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 100,100.00	\$ -	\$ 510,300.00	\$ 2,220,620.00
3	Public Safety - Police and Fire	\$ 5,218,420.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 348,100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,661,520.00
4	Public Safety - Other	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
5	Public Works - Streets	\$ 2,204,780.00	\$ 3,290,500.00	\$ 105,000.00	\$ 318,100.00	\$ 1,347,500.00	\$ 7,265,880.00
6	Public Works - Other	\$ 616,150.00	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 510,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 1,765,150.00
7	Public Health and Social Services	\$ 1,325,150.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,380,150.00
8	Culture and Recreation	\$ 4,206,817.00	\$ 1,364,250.00	\$ 573,500.00	\$ 2,181,500.00	\$ 834,500.00	\$ 9,160,567.00
9	Community Development	\$ 645,600.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 820,600.00	\$ -	\$ 1,477,400.00
10	Miscellaneous	\$ 14,185.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 495,000.00	\$ 509,185.00
11	Business-Type Activities:						
12	Airport	\$ 257,750.00	\$ 6,400.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 273,150.00
13	Nursing Home	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
14	Hospital	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
15	Electric Utility	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,875,000.00	\$ 3,875,000.00
16	Solid Waste	\$ 1,171,300.00	\$ 385,000.00	\$ 135,500.00	\$ 238,000.00	\$ 114,000.00	\$ 2,043,800.00
17	Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
18	Wastewater	\$ 2,301,850.00	\$ 7,511,800.00	\$ 465,600.00	\$ 7,694,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 18,103,250.00
19	Water	\$ 1,759,550.00	\$ 235,000.00	\$ 72,400.00	\$ 3,552,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 5,748,950.00
20	Other	\$ 2,822,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,822,000.00
21	Proprietary Function Funds					\$ -	\$ -
22	Total Disbursements & Transfers (Ln 2 thru 21)	\$ 24,078,772.00	\$ 13,600,950.00	\$ 1,849,400.00	\$ 15,314,200.00	\$ 7,471,300.00	\$ 62,314,622.00

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Line No.	2014-2015 ACTUAL Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:						
2	General Government	\$ 1,392,505.00	\$ -	\$ 177,660.00	\$ -	\$ 530,300.00	\$ 2,100,465.00
3	Public Safety - Police and Fire	\$ 5,073,533.00	\$ 313,992.00	\$ 342,995.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,730,520.00
4	Public Safety - Other	\$ 10,137.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,137.00
5	Public Works - Streets	\$ 2,102,408.00	\$ 4,306,182.00	\$ 204,001.00	\$ 743,976.00	\$ 368,771.00	\$ 7,725,338.00
6	Public Works - Other	\$ 463,093.00	\$ 37,303.00	\$ 5,739.00	\$ 677,428.00	\$ 712,428.00	\$ 1,895,991.00
7	Public Health and Social Services	\$ 1,284,800.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 45,915.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,350,715.00
8	Culture and Recreation	\$ 4,003,660.00	\$ 3,934,200.00	\$ 442,174.00	\$ 737,678.00	\$ 799,214.00	\$ 9,916,926.00
9	Community Development	\$ 1,008,960.00	\$ 346,487.00	\$ 3,546.00	\$ 470,376.00	\$ -	\$ 1,829,369.00
10	Miscellaneous	\$ 14,905.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 490,000.00	\$ 504,905.00
11	Business-Type Activities:						
12	Airport	\$ 230,282.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 238,282.00
13	Nursing Home	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
14	Hospital	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
15	Electric Utility	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,675,000.00	\$ 3,675,000.00
16	Solid Waste	\$ 1,202,113.00	\$ 1,527,787.00	\$ 48,759.00	\$ 239,218.00	\$ 113,956.00	\$ 3,131,833.00
17	Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
18	Wastewater	\$ 2,248,259.00	\$ 2,900,637.00	\$ 121,775.00	\$ 3,292,265.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 8,692,936.00
19	Water	\$ 1,893,010.00	\$ 111,407.00	\$ 106,237.00	\$ 3,525,001.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 5,765,655.00
20	Other	\$ 2,838,096.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,838,096.00
21	Proprietary Function Funds					\$ -	\$ -
22	Total Disbursements & Transfers (Ln 2 thru 21)	\$ 23,765,761.00	\$ 13,505,995.00	\$ 1,498,801.00	\$ 9,685,942.00	\$ 6,949,669.00	\$ 55,406,168.00

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CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

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ADDRESS	PO Box 1677
CITY & ZIP CODE	Columbus, NE 68602-1677
TELEPHONE	402-562-4227
WEBSITE	www.columbusne.us

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	Charlie Bahr	Janelle Kline	Anne Kinnison
TITLE /FIRM NAME	Council President	City Clerk	Finance Director
TELEPHONE	402-564-1059	402-562-4227	402-562-4229
EMAIL ADDRESS	cnbahr@megavision.com	janelle.kline@columbusne.us	askinni@columbusne.us

For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- Board Chairperson
- Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- Preparer

City of Columbus in Platte County

2016-2017 LID SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

Calculation of Restricted Funds

Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirements	(1)	\$	4,608,843.00
Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	(2)	\$	11,500.00
In-Lieu of Tax Payments	(3)	\$	230,000.00
Prior Year Budgeted Capital Improvements that were excluded from Restricted Funds.			
Prior Year Capital Improvements Excluded from Re-stricted Funds (From 2015-2016 Lid Support, Line (17))		\$	5,625,000.00
LESS: Amount Spent During 2015-2016	(4)	\$	3,079,150.00
LESS: Amount Expected to be Spent in Future Budget Years	(5)	\$	-
Amount to be included as Restricted Funds (Cannot Be A Negative Number)	(6)	\$	2,545,850.00
Motor Vehicle Tax	(7)	\$	430,000.00
Local Option Sales Tax	(8)	\$	6,400,000.00
Transfers of Surplus Fees	(9)	\$	-
Highway Allocation and Incentives	(10)	\$	2,259,000.00
MIRF	(11)	\$	-
Motor Vehicle Fee	(12)	\$	167,000.00
Municipal Equalization Fund	(13)	\$	-
Insurance Premium Tax	(14)	\$	-
Nameplate Capacity Tax	(15a)	\$	-
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS (A)	(16)	\$	16,652,193.00

Lid Exceptions

Capital Improvements (Real Property and Improvements on Real Property)		\$	6,735,800.00
LESS: Amount of prior year capital improvements that were excluded from previous lid calculations but were not spent and now budgeted this fiscal year (<i>cannot exclude same capital improvements from more than one lid calculation.</i>)	(17)		
Agrees to Line (6).		\$	-
Allowable Capital Improvements	(18)	\$	6,735,800.00
Bonded Indebtedness	(19)	\$	681,500.00
Public Facilities Construction Projects (Statutes 72-2301 to 72-2308)	(20)		
Interlocal Agreements/Joint Public Agency Agreements	(21)		
Public Safety Communication Project (Statute 86-416)	(22)		
Payments to Retire Interest-Free Loans from the Department of Aeronautics (Public Airports Only)	(23)		
Judgments	(24)		
Refund of Property Taxes to Taxpayers	(25)		
Repairs to Infrastructure Damaged by a Natural Disaster	(26)		
	(27)		
TOTAL LID EXCEPTIONS (B)	(28)	\$	7,417,300.00

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS For Lid Computation (To Line 9 of the Lid Computation Form)		\$	9,234,893.00
<i>To Calculate: Total Restricted Funds (A)-Line 16 MINUS Total Lid Exceptions (B)-Line 28</i>			

Total Restricted Funds for Lid Computation **cannot** be less than zero. See Instruction Manual on completing the LC-3 Supporting Schedule.

LID COMPUTATION FORM

City of Columbus
IN
Platte County

TOTAL ALLOWABLE PERCENT INCREASE = Line (2) + Line (3) + Line (4) + Line (5)	<u>3.53</u> % (6)
Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Restricted Funds = Line (1) x Line (6)	<u>343,125.43</u> (7)
Total Restricted Funds Authority = Line (1) + Line (7)	<u>10,063,392.43</u> (8)
Less: Restricted Funds from Lid Supporting Schedule	<u>9,234,893.00</u> (9)
Total Unused Restricted Funds Authority = Line (8) - Line (9)	<u>828,499.43</u> (10)

**LINE (10) MUST BE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO ZERO OR
YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE LID LAW.**

**THE AMOUNT OF UNUSED RESTRICTED FUNDS AUTHORITY ON LINE (10)
MUST BE PUBLISHED IN THE NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING.**

ZONING CHAPTER, UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 96-08, AS AMENDED, DATED MARCH 18, 1996, AND ADOPTED AUGUST 4, 1997, AS THE OFFICIAL ZONING CODE OF COLUMBUS BY ORDINANCE NO. 97-17; TO REZONE AND RECLASSIFY THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, TO WIT: ALL OF LOT 2 AND A PORTION OF LOT 1, EAST CANAL PROPERTY SUBDIVISION, TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FROM THE PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF "RR" (RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) AND "ML/C-1" (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) TO "ML/C-1" (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT); TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AS WELL AS THE ZONING MAP WHICH HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY AND MADE A PART OF SAID COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF 1996, ZONING CHAPTER, TO SHOW SAID REZONING AND RECLASSIFICATION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE passed with a motion by Lohr and a second by Bahr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

8. **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:** None
9. **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES:** Included in Consent Agenda
10. **REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:**
 - 10.A. **COMMITTEE OF WHOLE - July 18, 2016**
 - 10.A.1. **Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017.** The Committee of the Whole recommended to the Mayor and City Council that the fee schedule for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017 be approved as presented. The report was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Jablonski. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
 - 10.A.2. **One Percent (1%) Restricted Funds Authority Increase.** The Committee of the Whole recommended to the Mayor and City Council that the Restricted Funds Authority be increased by one percent. The report was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
 - 10.A.3. **Pay Plan for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017.** The Committee of the Whole recommended to the Mayor and City Council that the pay plan for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017 be approved as presented. The report was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Roth. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley,

Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

- 10.A.4. Comparison data on Fire Departments of First Class cities.** The Committee of the Whole reviewed comparison data on Fire Departments of First Class cities. No action was taken.
- 10.A.5. Request for financial assistance in hiring Housing Coordinator.** The Committee of the Whole recommended to the Mayor and City Council to move forward in the budget process and work with the Columbus Housing Authority in hiring a housing coordinator including accountability and detailed job description. The report was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
- 10.A.6. Update on clean-up from July 5 and 6, 2016, storms.** An update was given on the clean-up from the July 5th and 6th storms. No action was taken.
- 11. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** None
- 12. REPORTS ON LEGISLATION:** None
- 13. NEW BUSINESS:**
- 13.A. Appointment of Adam Pitts as Firefighter/EMT-P for the Columbus Fire Department.** The mayor's appointment was ratified with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
- 13.B. Quote from Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$21,050 for Laserfiche Document Management System software.** The quote for document management software was accepted with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Bahr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
- 13.C. Application of Columbus Library Foundation for Special Designated License to serve beer and wine at Columbus Public Library, 2504 14 Street, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., September 1, 2016, in conjunction with a fundraiser.** The Special Designated License was approved with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Bahr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
- 13.D. Comments from Mayor and City Council Members.** Bahr commended city staff and residents on the cleanup efforts from the July 5th and 6th storms. Augustine-Schulte encouraged citizens to buy locally especially as the new school year approaches. Bulkley referenced the plan for downtown traffic signals and requested this item be included on the next agenda. Moser

Municipality Levy Limit Form
City of Columbus in Platte County

Political Subdivision	Personal and Real Property Tax Request <i>(Column A)</i>	Judgments (Not Paid by Liability Insurance) <i>(Column B)</i>	Pre-Existing Lease - Purchase Contracts-7/98 <i>(Column C)</i>	* Bonded Indebtedness <i>(Column D)</i>	Interest Free Financing (Public Airports) <i>(Column E)</i>	Tax Request Subject to Levy Limit <i>(Column F)</i> [[Column A] MINUS [Columns B, C, D, E]]	Valuation <i>(Column G)</i>	Calculated Levy <i>(Column H)</i> [[Column F] DIVIDED BY [Column G] MULTIPLIED BY 100]
City/Village -	4,608,843.00			581,500.00		4,027,343.00	1,462,262,669	0.275419

Others subject to allocation-

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						-		-
						-		-

Off-Street Parking District						-		
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Calculated Levy for Off-Street Parking District = (Column F) **DIVIDED BY** (Column G) **MULTIPLIED BY 100 MULTIPLIED BY** (Column G) **DIVIDED BY** (Column G {City/Village Line})

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NOTE:

Municipality Levy Limit is 45 cents plus 5 cents for interlocal agreements. (77-3442)

Total Calculated Levy can ONLY be greater than 45 cents if there is Interlocal Agreements.

The Calculated Levy for Interlocal Agreements should be the maximum of **5 cents OR LESS**.

Others subject to allocation may include airport authorities, community redevelopment authorities, off-street parking districts, and transit authorities.

Total Calculated Levy
[Total of (Column H)]

0.275419 (Box 1)

Tax Request to Support Interlocal Agreements

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(Box 2)

Calculated Levy for Interlocal Agreements
[(Box 2) **DIVIDED BY** (Column G {City/Village Line}) **MULTIPLIED BY 100**]

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(Box 3)
5 Cents or LESS

*Tax Request to Support Public Safety Communication Projects

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(Box 5)

Calculated Levy For Levy Limit Compliance
[(Box 1) **MINUS** (Box 3)]

0.275419 (Box 4)

*Tax Request to Support Public Facilities Construction Projects

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(Box 6)

* State Statute Section 86-416 allows for a special tax to fund public safety communication projects. The tax has the same status as bonded indebtedness. State Statute 72-2301 through 72-2308 allows bonds to be issued for Public Facilities Construction Projects. Amounts should be included in Bonded Indebtedness above. Please indicate the amount specifically used for the communication project in Box 5 and the Construction Projects in Box 6. Board minutes documenting the approval of the taxes must be included.

**CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE
And VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO GROWTH**

*{format for all political subdivisions other than
a) sanitary improvement districts in existence five years or less, and
b) community colleges, and c) school districts}*

TAX YEAR 2016

{certification required on or before August 20th, of each year}

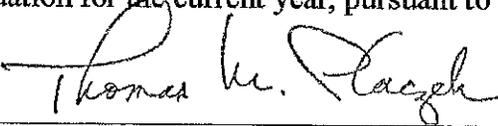
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TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF: PLATTE

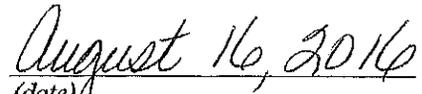
Name of Political Subdivision	Subdivision Type (e.g. city, fire, NRD)	Value attributable to Growth	Total Taxable Value
COLUMBUS	City/Village	34,628,993	1,462,262,669

**Value attributable to growth is determined pursuant to section 13-518 which includes real and personal property and annexation, if applicable.*

I TOM PLACZEK, PLATTE County Assessor hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §13-509 and §13-518.



(signature of county assessor)



(date)

CC: County Clerk, PLATTE County
CC: County Clerk where district is headquarter, if different county, _____ County

Note to political subdivision: A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document.

City of Columbus
IN
Platte County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

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Janelle Kline

City Clerk

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Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	\$828,499.43

Breakdown of Property Tax:

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Property Tax Rate (2015-2016 Request/2016 Valuation)	0.304126
2016-2017 Proposed Property Tax Request	\$4,608,843.00
Proposed 2016 Tax Rate	0.315186

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In the issue of:

August 31, 2016

Janelle Kline
Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2016

State of Nebraska - General Notary
TROY G. CRECHEN
My Commission Expires
March 11, 2018

(SEAL)

[Signature]
Notary Public

7.B. 2016 - 2017 Budget. Kinnison noted that the proposed budget includes a property tax request of \$4,608,843 and expenditures of \$103,593,035, of which \$57,067,050 are capital items. The property tax assessed valuation was \$1,462,262,669, an increase of over \$94,000,000 from the prior year. \$34,600,000 of the increased amount is attributable to new growth and \$60,000,000 is due to revaluations. The proposed budget includes a reduction in property taxes of one mill which equates to \$10 on a house with an assessed value of \$100,000. Schilling expressed opposition to a reduction in property taxes due to the number of large projects that are in the planning stages as well as the negative impact that a future request to increase would have. Moser, Bulkley, and Lohr expressed support of the property tax reduction to give citizens a break when there is opportunity to do so. Kinnison explained that projects not completed in 2016 have been included in the 2017 budget and she pointed out the following changes that were incorporated into the budget as a result of discussions from a previous Committee of the Whole meeting: 1) \$45,000 for a fire prevention grant was removed; 2) \$260,000 for an air boat for the fire department was removed; 3) pagers for the fire department were moved to the 2018 budget; and 4) hose replacement for the fire department was reduced from \$6,000 to \$4,000. No public testimony was heard. The public hearing closed with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Jablonski. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

7.B.1. Resolution No. R16-97 adopting Schedule of Fees effective October 1, 2016. Resolution No. R16-97 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, ADOPTING THE FEES AS STATED AND HEREBY DECLARED IN THE ATTACHED "SCHEDULE OF FEES"; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith was adopted with a motion by Roth and a second by Jablonski. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

7.B.2. Ordinance No. 16-20 adopting 2016-2017 Pay Plan. The rules were suspended and Ordinance No. 16-20 was read by number only with a motion by Bahr and a second by Schilling. Ordinance No. 16-20 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, REGARDING THE SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; PAY PLAN FOR ALL CLASSIFICATIONS WITHIN THE CITY; AND MONTHLY SALARY RANGES FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION passed with a motion by Bahr and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

✓ **7.B.3. Ordinance No. 16-21 adopting 2016-2017 Budget.** The rules were suspended and Ordinance No. 16-21 was read by number only with a motion

by Bulkley and a second by Bahr. Ordinance No. 16-21 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE passed with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Bahr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Moser referred to the Housing Director position included in the budget and pointed out that there may be other options for addressing the city's housing issues that will need to be considered prior to making any final decisions and Schilling concurred.

7.C. Property Tax Request for 2016-2017. Kinnison reported on the property tax request under the public hearing on the budget. No public testimony was heard. The public hearing closed with a motion by Schilling and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

✓ **7.C.1. Resolution No. R16-98 setting the property tax request at \$4,608,843.** Resolution No. R16-98 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, TO SET THE 2016-2017 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AT \$4,608,843 was adopted with a motion by Lohr and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

ORDINANCE NO. 16-21

CERTIFICATION

I, Janelle Kline, City Clerk of the City of Columbus, Nebraska hereby certify the attached is a true and accurate reproduction of Ordinance No. 16-21 adopted by the Council of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, at a meeting held according to law in Columbus, Nebraska, on the 6 day of September, 2016, as the same appears on file and on record in this office. Said Ordinance was published in the Columbus Telegram on the 13 day of September, 2016. In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said City this 13 day of September, 2016.



Janelle Kline
City Clerk
City of Columbus, Nebraska



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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016, through September 30, 2017. All sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Columbus. A copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Platte County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

Jan B. Buckley

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6 DAY OF September, 2016.

Michael L. Moser

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Janella Keine
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MJK
CITY ATTORNEY



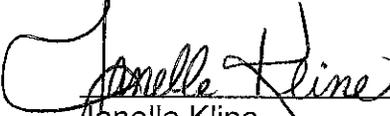
RESOLUTION NO. R16-98

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I, Janelle Kline, City Clerk of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, hereby certify the attached is a true and accurate reproduction of Resolution No. R16-98 adopted by the Council of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, at a meeting held according to law in Columbus, Nebraska, on the 6 day of September, 2016, as the same appears on file and on record in this office.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said City this 8 day of September, 2016.




Janelle Kline
City Clerk
City of Columbus, Nebraska

RESOLUTION NO. R16-98

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, TO SET THE 2016-2017 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AT \$4,608,843.

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the City of Columbus passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Columbus that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, by a majority vote, resolve that:

1. The 2016-2017 property tax request be set at \$4,036,843 for the General Fund and \$572,000 for the Debt Service Fund for a total of \$4,608,843.
2. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 1, 2016.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

John F. Lohr

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6 DAY OF September, 2016.

Michael L. Mosey

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Janelle Heine
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MW
CITY ATTORNEY



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
JULY 18, 2016

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on July 18, 2016, at 5:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1369 25 Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and members of the City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

- A. Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act and Roll Call:** Council President Bahr announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Council Members Beth Augustine-Schulte, Charlie Bahr, Rich Jablonski, John Lohr, Prent Roth, and Ron Schilling. Council Members Jim Bulkley and Dennis Kresha were absent. City staff members present included City Attorney Neal Valorz, City Administrator Joe Mangiamelli, City Clerk Janelle Kline, City Engineer Rick Bogus, Finance Director Anne Kinnison, Police Chief William Gumm, Human Resources Director Mike Oglevie, Public Property Director Doug Moore, Community Development Director Dan Curtis, Public Works Director Greg McCaffery, Fire Chief Dean Hefti, and Assistant City Clerk Michaela Luckey.
- B. Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017:** The proposed changes to the fee schedule were reviewed in detail. It was noted that daily fees for the Aquatic Center have not increased in 12 years and the Park Board is recommending an increase to the aquatics fees based on American Red Cross fees, costs for lifeguard training, and fees at comparable water parks. It was also noted that the fireworks application fees have not changed in five years and ambulance fees are reviewed every other year for comparability. The Golf Board is recommending a five percent increase to the golf course fees and following a review of the cost for providing services at the Transfer Station, staff is recommending an increase to the availability and tipping fees.

Bulkley arrived at 5:11 p.m.

The fee schedule for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was approved as presented with a motion by Augustine-Schulte and a second by Roth. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

- C. One Percent (1%) Restricted Funds Authority Increase:** It was noted that one percent of the Restricted Funds Authority for the 2015-2016 Budget was \$93,916 and it is estimated to be \$97,203 for 2016-2017. It was further noted that restricted funds are property taxes, payments in lieu of property tax, sales tax, motor vehicle tax, and all types of state aid including highway allocations, motor vehicle fees, and municipal equalization aid. Kinnison pointed out that all

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July 18, 2016

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governments are allowed to increase their base of restricted funds by two and one-half percent (2.5%) and, as in the past, the City Council may increase the base by an additional one percent (1%) to serve as a hedge against emergencies, such as the clean-up expenses from recent storms. The Restricted Funds Authority was increased by an additional one percent for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 with a motion by Schilling and a second by Augustine-Schulte. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

- D. Pay Plan for Fiscal Year 2016-2017:** It was noted that the pay scale for city employees, with the exception of Police and Fire Union employees whose pay is adjusted per their contracts, has traditionally been based on the March Consumer Price Index (C.P.I.). The March 2016 C.P.I. for all items was 0.9 and the March 2016 C.P.I. for all items less food and energy was 2.2. Kinnison pointed out that the C.P.I. without energy is more representative as the cost of energy has been quite volatile and staff is recommending a two percent increase to the pay scale. It was noted that increases to the minimum wage as well as regulations requiring certain exempted employees to be paid over-time are putting pressure on all municipal pay scales and may cause the need for a larger adjustment next year. Oglevie explained the consequences involved with the Commission of Industrial Relations for not falling in the comparable array of wages. Discussion was held with regard to comparable wages within the private industry as well as the turnover rate within the city. The pay plan for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was approved as presented with a motion by Augustine-Schulte and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.
- E. Comparison data on Fire Departments of First Class cities:** As a follow-up from the March 21, 2016, City Council meeting, a report on fire departments of comparable cities was presented. It was noted that every city in the comparison report that has hired a full-time fire chief has lost its volunteer organization and a few of those cities have supplemented the services by establishing some form of paid reserve firefighter's organization. Extensive discussion was held with regard to the number of paid firefighters, active volunteers, the training program, as well as future protection of the city and it was noted that a new basic training program has been implemented for both paid and volunteer firefighters. It was also noted that a report on the current number of paid and active volunteer firefighters will be sent to the mayor and city council members.
- F. Request for financial assistance in hiring Housing Coordinator:** A request from the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce, Columbus Housing Authority, and NeighborWorks Northeast Nebraska for assistance in hiring a housing coordinator was presented. Bonnie McPhillips, Columbus Housing Authority, distributed a report prepared by the Housing Taskforce of the Chamber of Commerce that lists the benefits to a city with a full-time person focusing on housing. She referred to the City Planner position that city staff is recommending

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and said the taskforce is supportive of this position; however, they feel a housing coordinator could focus on recruitment and be a point of contact for developers to bring a wide variety of needed housing into the community. McPhillips noted the accomplishments of a housing coordinator in the city of Schuyler. She said the request for \$40,000 per year for five years is just a number that can be adjusted as the city feels appropriate and grants could also be sought for additional assistance. McPhillips explained that details for this position have not been determined at this time; however, the Chamber of Commerce would manage the salary through their payroll system and in-kind contributions would be provided by NeighborWorks Northeast Nebraska as well as the Columbus Housing Authority for office space, equipment, and supplies. Mangiamelli noted that housing is an important issue in all communities in the state and reported on the city's past successes of utilizing economic development grants and tax increment financing. He said he feels a City Planner would be a better use of tax dollars as a person in this position could perform a wider range of related services by being experienced with the city's zoning code as well as current and future land use plans and would work closely with the Planning Commission in the processing of development requests. Mangiamelli also pointed out that there would be more accountability in hiring a City Planner. The council requested to move forward in the budget process and work with the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce, Columbus Housing Authority, and NeighborWorks Northeast Nebraska in hiring a housing coordinator including accountability and a detailed job description with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

G. Update on cleanup from July 5 and 6, 2016, storms: Mangiamelli reported that 1,551 tons of tree debris was brought to the Transfer Station at no cost to citizens for the first two weeks following the storms at an estimated value of \$96,000. A number of employees from various departments worked many overtime hours in the cleanup effort with public safety being a top priority. There are still approximately 200 trees on city property that needs to be taken care of and once the clean-up costs are assessed, a request to transfer funds from the General account will be presented to the city council. Bahr commended the citizens and city staff for all the cooperation shown following this event.

H. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m. with a motion by Augustine-Schulte and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Kresha was absent.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

:Janelle Kline

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
JULY 26, 2016

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on July 26, 2016, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1369 25 Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and members of the City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

1. **Statement of compliance with Open Meetings Act and roll call:** Council President Bahr announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Council Members Beth Augustine-Schulte, Charlie Bahr, Jim Bulkley, Rich Jablonski, Dennis Kresha, John Lohr, Prent Roth, and Ron Schilling. Also present was Mayor Michael Moser. City staff members present included City Attorney Neal Valorz, City Administrator Joe Mangiamelli, City Clerk Janelle Kline, City Engineer Rick Bogus, Finance Director Anne Kinnison, Police Chief William Gumm, Human Resources Director Mike Oglevie, Public Property Director Doug Moore, Public Works Director Greg McCaffery, Library Director Drew Brookhart, Fire Chief Dean Hefti, Assistant City Clerk Michaela Luckey, Street Superintendent Jay Nickolite, Wastewater Treatment Facility Supervisor Marty Eaton, Water Production Supervisor Bob Kloke, Water Utility Supervisor Chuck Sliva, and Transfer Station Supervisor Mike Shemek. Also present was
2. **2016–2017 Capital Improvement Program:** It was noted that the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), consisting of real property and infrastructure improvements, was presented to the Planning Commission in accordance with state statute and they have recommended approval of the program as presented. The 2017 CIP items are the only items that will be incorporated into the budget and the remainder years are for planning purposes only. Mangiamelli reviewed the CIP items in detail and city staff answered various questions. The following items were flagged for additional information, discussion, and/or consideration: CIP #35 Fire Prevention \$45,000; CIP #36 Air Boat \$260,000; CIP #41 Fire Hose \$6,000; CIP #43 Portable Lights \$4,000; and CIP #46 Ambulance \$345,000. No action was taken on this agenda item.
3. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
:Janelle Kline

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
JULY 27, 2016

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on July 27, 2016, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1369 25 Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and members of the City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

1. **Statement of compliance with Open Meetings Act and roll call:** Council President Bahr announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Council Members Beth Augustine-Schulte, Charlie Bahr, Jim Bulkley, Rich Jablonski, Dennis Kresha, John Lohr, Prent Roth, and Ron Schilling. Also present was Mayor Michael Moser. City staff members present included City Attorney Neal Valorz, City Administrator Joe Mangiamelli, City Clerk Janelle Kline, City Engineer Rick Bogus, Finance Director Anne Kinnison, Police Chief William Gumm, Human Resources Director Mike Oglevie, Public Property Director Doug Moore, Public Works Director Greg McCaffery, Library Director Drew Brookhart, Community Development Director Dan Curtis, Fire Chief Dean Hefti, and Assistant City Clerk Michaela Luckey.
2. **Review recycling services proposal from Shred Monster:** It was noted that the Public Finance, Judiciary, and Personnel Committee met at 5 p.m. prior to this meeting to discuss this agenda item and they made a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council that a Committee of the Whole meeting be scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2016, in order to receive public input to determine interest in recycling services. Bulkley gave a brief summary of the discussion held at the Public Finance, Judiciary, and Personnel Committee meeting. The Committee of the Whole recommended to the Mayor and City Council that a Committee of the Whole meeting be scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2016, to receive public input on recycling services with a motion by Roth and a second by Bulkley. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".
3. **2016–2017 Budget:** Bulkley reported that a recent article in the Omaha World Herald states that Nebraska's budget for fiscal year ending in mid-2017 may have a shortfall of \$113.7 million. It was noted that the city's approved budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 was \$76,931,730 and the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is \$99,929,335. The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 includes \$53,628,050 of capital items, which can be compared to \$33,387,150 in the 2015-2016 budget. The City Council has kept the levy rate the same for the past nine years and staff has prepared the budget using the same assumption. The property tax number is the same as last year and will be adjusted to keep the levy rate the same and the calculation of property taxes attributed to growth within the city will be computed once the assessed valuation becomes available

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on August 20th. For 2015-2016, the City's share of property tax for a house with a \$100,000 assessed value was \$325.19, and for the same \$100,000 house, the property tax in the proposed budget would be the same at \$325.19. It was also noted that the city is continuing to use property taxes, as opposed to sales tax, to make the debt service payment of \$507,500 on the Drainage Bonds for the Loup Levee improvements. The amount of property taxes going to the General Fund will be decreased and the amount going to the Debt Service Fund will be increased due to the fact the General Fund balance continues to be good. It was pointed out that funds for a housing coordinator have been included in the budget following direction from the City Council at their July 18, 2016, meeting. Mangiamelli reviewed the budget's Executive Summary in detail, city staff answered various questions, and Capital Improvement Project #180 Snow Removal Equipment Building \$600,000 was flagged for further consideration. No action was taken on this agenda item.

4. **Property tax mill levy:** Mangiamelli distributed a report on a survey prepared by the City of Norfolk comparing property tax levies of 30 similar cities in Nebraska and noted that Columbus' current levy is .32516 which ranks 8th lowest for the city's share of property tax, 7th lowest based on the levy rate, and 4th based on assessed valuation. Reducing the property tax one mill would equate to a \$10 reduction on a \$100,000 home. Discussion followed with regard to options for possibly reducing the property tax levy, the consequences of reducing property taxes, and future expenses that may need to be covered by property tax revenue. No action was taken on this agenda item.
5. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. with a motion by Bulkley and a second by Augustine-Schulte. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Bulkley, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

:Janelle Kline

Budget Reviewer Notes
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Page 2, Beginning Balance

Investments and County Treasurer's Balance are included in Line 1, Net Cash Balance for each year presented.

Page 8, LC-3 Supporting Schedule, Restricted Funds and Lid Exceptions

The City of Columbus keeps track of the lid exceptions for acquisition of real property and improvements to real property. The total amount expected to be unspent from the prior year lid exceptions is computed and added back into Restricted Funds. We do not subtract for the "amount expected to be spent in future budget years". The City of Columbus then budgets the money that is needed to complete a project and takes that amount as a lid exception. This is the best system to keep track of all the individual lid exceptions for allowable capital improvements to make sure they are not over claimed or under claimed for this calculation.