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Mission

We serve to grow public trust and a thriving Garland community, today and for the future.

CITY OF GARLAND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Vision

Garland will be an engaged and vibrant community that residents proudly call home.

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AGENDA:

1. Overview of Certified Values and Truth-in-Taxation

Staff will provide an overview of the 2026 Certified Appraised Values and 2026 Truth-in-Taxation.

Presenter: Allyson Bell Steadman, Chief Financial Officer, Fahad Qadir, Budget Manager

2. Submission of Appraisal Roll and Rate for FY 2026-2027

The Council is being provided the attached tax rates, notice and appraisal certifications as required by law. Council is requested to provide a proposed tax rate and hearing dates in accordance with state law.

Presenter: Corey Worsham, Tax Administrator

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4. Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Sec. 551.074, Tex. Gov't Code.
5. The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076, Tex. Gov't Code.
6. Discussions or deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have to locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect of the sort described in this provision. Sec. 551.087, Tex. Gov't Code.
7. Discussions, deliberations, votes, or other final action on matters related to the City's competitive activity, including information that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors and is reasonably related to one or more of the following categories of information:
 - generation unit specific and portfolio fixed and variable costs, including forecasts of those costs, capital improvement plans for generation units, and generation unit operating characteristics and outage scheduling;
 - bidding and pricing information for purchased power, generation, and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies;
 - effective fuel and purchased power agreements and fuel transportation arrangements and contracts;
 - risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage;
 - plans, studies, proposals, and analyses for system improvements, additions, or sales, other than transmission and distribution system improvements inside the service area for which the public power utility is the sole certificated retail provider; and
 - customer billing, contract, and usage information, electric power pricing information, system load characteristics, and electric power marketing analyses and strategies. Sec. 551.086; Tex. Gov't Code; Sec. 552.133, Tex. Gov't Code]

Each year, the City Council reviews and updates its goals for the Garland community and City operations. City management uses the goals to guide operational priorities, decision-making and resource allocation.



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PROTECT CORE
SERVICES



ACCELERATE ECONOMIC
REDEVELOPMENT



STRENGTHEN FINANCIAL
STEWARDSHIP



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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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Meeting Date: July 28, 2026

Title: Overview of Certified Values and Truth-in-Taxation

Submitted by: Allyson Bell Steadman, Chief Financial Officer

Strategic Focus Area: Strengthen Financial Stewardship

Issue / Summary

Staff will provide an overview of the 2026 Certified Appraised Values and 2026 Truth-in-Taxation.

Background

Staff will provide an overview of the 2026 Certified Appraised Values and 2026 Truth-in-Taxation.

Consideration / Recommendation

Staff will provide an overview of the 2026 Certified Appraised Values and 2026 Truth-in-Taxation.

Attachments

None



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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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Meeting Date: July 28, 2026

Title: Submission of Appraisal Roll and Rate for FY 2026-2027

Submitted by: Corey Worsham, Tax Administrator

Strategic Focus Area: Strengthen Financial Stewardship

Issue / Summary

State law mandates an explicit, detailed and complex process for the adoption of municipal budgets and the setting of tax rates by local governments. Those laws (as well as the City Charter) require a series of notices to the public and at least one public hearing for the adoption of the budget and tax rate. The tax rate setting and budget approval process (the two both legally and practically intertwined) are triggered by the receipt of appraisal rolls from County Central Appraisal Districts.

Background

There are two key deadlines involved in the tax rate process: August 1 for the submission of the appraisal roll and August 7 for the submission of the rates. The appraisal rolls, together with a certification of a collection rate and a calculation of the "no new tax rate" and "voter approval rate" are being submitted to the Council (notice of tax rates attached). The Council must now establish dates for public hearings. Notices of the public hearing must be published and posted in the manner and form required by law and within certain windows of time. It is critical that the dates of the events match the timeframe provided by law and are properly noticed (including publication).

Consideration / Recommendation

The Council is being provided with the attached tax rates, notice and appraisal certifications as required by law. Council is requested to provide a proposed tax rate and hearing dates in accordance with state law. Motions containing the public hearing dates and tax rates are attached.

Attachments

None