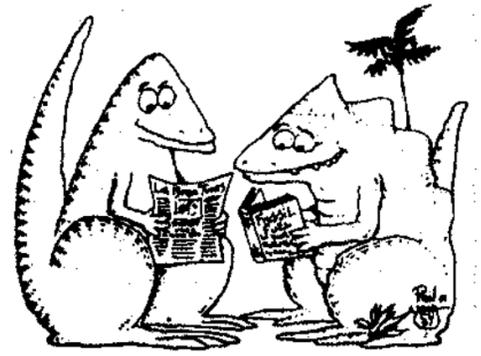


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Puzzle below • Answers on page 3

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**NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING**

The governing body of **City of Sterling** will meet on September 2, 2025 at 7:00 PM at Sterling City Hall, 114 N. Broadway Ave., Sterling, KS 67579 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the Revenue Neutral Rate. Detailed budget information is available at Sterling City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

| FUND                                 | Prior Year Actual for 2024 |                  | Current Year Estimate for 2025 |                  | Proposed Budget for 2026          |                               |                              |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                      | Expenditures               | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures                   | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
| General                              | 1,060,163                  | 18.149           | 1,193,810                      | 16.478           | 1,444,747                         | 310,392                       | 17.478                       |
| Debt Service                         |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Library                              | 77,485                     | 4.497            | 75,390                         | 3.844            | 81,907                            | 68,266                        | 3.844                        |
| Consolidated Street                  | 556,419                    | 12.156           | 1,111,762                      | 10.985           | 2,161,194                         | 195,083                       | 10.985                       |
| Cemetery                             | 71,459                     | 4.997            | 88,783                         | 4.643            | 130,428                           | 100,214                       | 5.643                        |
| Ambulance & Fire Equip.              | 119,471                    | 2.498            | 29,860                         | 4.693            | 255,004                           | 83,343                        | 4.693                        |
| Special Highway                      |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Medical Services                     | 73,825                     |                  | 31,896                         |                  | 68,491                            |                               |                              |
| Special Parks                        |                            |                  |                                |                  | 15,429                            |                               |                              |
| Water                                | 438,507                    |                  | 720,884                        |                  | 773,682                           |                               |                              |
| Sewer                                | 430,373                    |                  | 455,600                        |                  | 674,406                           |                               |                              |
| Electric                             | 2,504,127                  |                  | 3,157,327                      |                  | 4,188,750                         |                               |                              |
| Community Cemetery                   | 99,500                     |                  | 111,471                        |                  | 297,884                           |                               |                              |
| <b>Totals</b>                        | <b>5,431,329</b>           | <b>42.297</b>    | <b>6,976,783</b>               | <b>40.643</b>    | <b>10,091,922</b>                 | <b>757,299</b>                | <b>42.643</b>                |
|                                      |                            |                  |                                |                  | <i>Revenue Neutral Rate**</i>     |                               |                              |
|                                      |                            |                  |                                |                  | <i>39.660</i>                     |                               |                              |
| Less: Transfers                      | 95,000                     |                  | 108,928                        |                  | 107,000                           |                               |                              |
| Net Expenditure                      | 5,336,329                  |                  | 6,867,855                      |                  | 9,984,922                         |                               |                              |
| Total Tax Levied                     | 671,047                    |                  | 704,318                        |                  | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX                |                               |                              |
| Assessed Valuation                   | 15,865,157                 |                  | 17,327,997                     |                  | 17,758,883                        |                               |                              |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1, |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| G.O. Bonds                           | 1,360,000                  |                  | 1,285,000                      |                  | 1,695,000                         |                               |                              |
| Revenue Bonds                        | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                              |
| Other                                | 497,584                    |                  | 432,271                        |                  | 432,271                           |                               |                              |
| Lease Purchase Principal             | 101,484                    |                  | 50,269                         |                  | 96,710                            |                               |                              |
| Total                                | 1,959,068                  |                  | 1,767,540                      |                  | 2,223,981                         |                               |                              |

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills  
 \*\* Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Jessi Dobson  
 City Official Title: City Clerk

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**Area Church Schedules**

**ALDEN**

**Alden Methodist Church**  
 Rob Bolton, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship following

**First Baptist Church**  
 Matt Hendricks, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**RAYMOND**

**Raymond Baptist Church**  
 Matt Hendricks, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Sunday School 8:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 9:45 a.m.

**STERLING**

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
 212 South First  
 Dale Jordan, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday  
 Prayer Service 7 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
 337 S. Broadway  
 Men Teaching  
 Sunday  
 Worship Study 10 a.m.  
 Wednesday  
 Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Cross Point - Sterling**  
 109 W. Garfield  
 Michael Gray, campus pastor  
 Sunday  
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Sunday  
 School 10:30 a.m.,  
 Wednesday  
 Youth Grp: JH 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 SH 7:30-9:30 p.m.

**Encounter Church**  
 407 North Sixth Street  
 Jason Streit, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**First United Methodist Church**  
 137 North Broadway  
 Amy Foster, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Morning Worship 9 a.m.  
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**Midland Community UCC**  
 1955 22nd Road  
 Matt Perkins, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

**Reformed Presbyterian Church**  
 421 North Eighth Street  
 Brian Wright, Pastor  
 Sunday  
 Sabbath School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 2 p.m.

**Sterling Evangelical Bible Church**  
 3017 N. Sterling Road  
 Sunday  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

**United Presbyterian Church**  
 Broadway and Adams Streets  
 Melissa Krabbe, pastor  
 Sunday  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Jr./Sr. Youth Groups 6 p.m.

**XL-Church**  
 127 N. Eighth Street  
 Dr. Stephen Phinney, pastor  
 Sundays, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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