CITY OF ELKHORN
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
November 23, 2020 - 5:30 p.m. or later,
depending upon the conclusion of the Committee of the Whole Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 S. Broad St., Elkhorn, Wisconsin

1) **Call to Order**
2) **Pledge of Allegiance**
3) **Roll Call**
4) **Public Comment** *Although the public may speak on any item that is not included on this agenda as a "Public Hearing or Forum", the Council may not respond or discuss the issue brought forward at this time. In accordance with open meeting laws the Council must notice an item on the agenda to allow discussion on that matter. Your comments will be considered and may be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.*
5) **New Business**
   a) Ordinance No. 20-03 Creation of Chapter 26 – Fair Housing Ordinance (Second Reading)
   b) Resolution No. 20-22 Adopting 2021 Budget & Tax Levy
6) **Adjourn**

DATED at Elkhorn, Wisconsin, this 20th day of November 2020

Lacey L. Reynolds, City Clerk

Should you have any questions or comments regarding any items on this agenda, please contact the City Clerk's office at 723-2219. Upon reasonable notice to the City Clerk, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services.

City of Elkhorn
Fair Housing Ordinance

Ordinance # 20-03

Fair and Open Housing

Section #: 26.01 State Statutes Adopted

Section #: 26.02 Authority and Enforcement Procedures Implemented

Section #: 26.03 Complaints

Section #: 26.01 STATE STATUTES ADOPTED.

The City Council of the City of Elkhorn adopts Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, and all subsequent amendments thereto.

Section #: 26.02 AUTHORITY AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES IMPLEMENTED.

The officials and employees of the City of Elkhorn shall assist in the orderly prevention and removal of all discrimination in housing within the City of Elkhorn by implementing the authority and enforcement procedures set forth in Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, as amended.

Section #: 26.03 COMPLAINTS.

The City Clerk shall maintain forms for complaints to be filed under Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, and shall assist any person alleging a violation thereof in the City of Elkhorn to file a complaint thereunder with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Equal Rights Division, for enforcement of Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, as amended.

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Scott McClory, Council President

Attest:

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Lacey Reynolds, City Clerk

Adopted: _____

Published: _____

CITY OF ELKHORN
RESOLUTION 20-22
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING 2021 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Elkhorn has formulated a budget for the operation and administration of city government and the delivery of municipal services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Wisconsin State Statutes 65.90, a public hearing on the matter of the 2021 Municipal Budget was held on November 9, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Elkhorn, Walworth County, Wisconsin, as follows:

1. That the Municipal Budget for the year 2021, as printed and attached hereto, is hereby adopted.
2. That there is being levied a tax of six million nine hundred fifty six thousand five hundred ninety nine dollars ($6,956,599) on all the taxable property within the City of Elkhorn for the uses and purpose set forth in the Municipal Budget.
3. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to spread the tax on the current tax roll of the City of Elkhorn.

DATED, this 23rd day of November 2020.

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Scott McClory, Council President

ATTEST:

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Lacey Reynolds, City Clerk

Adopted: _____

Approved: _____

COMMON COUNCIL MEMO

Meeting Date: November 23, 2020

Agenda Item: All

Report Prepared by: City Administrator

The 2021 budget page changes will be distributed to the Mayor and Council members for inclusion in your budget books. The major change is related to the referendum passed by City voters which changes the Fire Department, EMS and Risk management on the expense side and Real Estate taxes on the revenue side. The Capital projects pages have also been changed to reflect estimates recently received from our City Engineer (Kapur) on the Green Acres project, this will have no effect on the 2021 taxes, but will be part of the Capital projects conducted in 2021.

It's hard to draw a conclusion on average tax impact because for the last two years' home values have been soaring in market value. The usual comparison when home values are stable is to just calculate home values by the mill rate for each given year, but with home values going up by percentages ranging from 0% to 12% it is impossible to lock down a value that will apply to everyone. I did an assumption somewhere in the middle by using a 6% value increase for a residential property ($175,000 X 1.06) = $185,500. In this example the property value in 2019 was $175,000, then increased to $185,500 in 2020. In 2019 the mill rate was $7.18/thousand $ of value (175,000 X .00718), which would equate for the City portion of the tax bill to $1,257. In 2020 the mill rate will be about $8.09/thousand (185,500 X .00809), which would equate for the City portion of the tax bill to $1,501. In this example the City portion of the tax bill would increase by $244.00. This is an example, but as I said, my sampling of the City assessment rolls shows various levels of increased market values.

This meeting will also be an opportunity for Council members to inquire about any aspect of the budget.