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PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCING A PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The City of Sylvester Mayor and Council as of today announces its intention to increase the 2026 property taxes it will levy this year by 7.677 percent over the rollback millage rate.

When the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires a rollback millage rate must be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year's digest that last year's millage rate would have produced had no reassessments occurred.

The budget tentatively adopted by the City of Sylvester Mayor and Council requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate; therefore, before the City of Sylvester Mayor and Council may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia law requires three public hearings to be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on the increase.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on this tax increase to be held in Council Chambers, located at Sylvester City Hall, 101 N. Main Street, Sylvester, Georgia on September 8, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. A second public hearing on this tax increase will be held in Council Chambers, located at Sylvester City Hall, 101 N. Main Street, Sylvester, Georgia on September 15, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. The final public hearing on this tax increase will be held in Council Chambers, located at Sylvester City Hall, 101 N. Main Street, Sylvester, Georgia on September 21, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.