

**CITY OF RICHFIELD, MINNESOTA  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2009**

**RICHFIELD CITY HALL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**6700 PORTLAND AVENUE**

**7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

Call to order

Roll call

1. Truth in Taxation public hearing regarding 2010 property tax levy and 2009 revised/2010 proposed budget and proposed 2010 water, wastewater and storm sewer utility rates

Staff Report No. 242

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Adjournment

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7 PM Special City Council Meeting (Truth-in-Taxation)		7 PM Human Rights Commission		7 PM Transportation Commission		7 PM Arts Commission @ Community Center			
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		7 PM City Council Meeting							
14		15		16		17		18	
7 PM Planning Commission Meeting (rescheduled from December 28)		5:30 PM Hearing Examiner in Heredia Room 7 PM Community Service Commission @ Community Center				4:30 PM FOWL Board Meeting @ WLNC 7 PM Friendship City Commission - CANCELED			
21		22		23		24		25	
7 PM HRA Meeting		7 PM City Council Meeting CANCELED				Christmas Eve City Hall closed		Christmas Day City Hall closed  Saturday, 12/26 9:30-10:30 AM Mayor's Hour @ Wood Lake Nature Center	
28		29		30		31		1	Jan
Planning Commission - rescheduled to December 14.						New Year's Eve: 4-6 PM Annual Skating Party @ Ice Arena 7-9 PM Candlelight & Ice @ Wood Lake Nature Center		New Year's Day City Hall closed	
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		7 PM Human Rights Commission		7 PM Transportation Commission		7 PM Arts Commission @ Community Center			

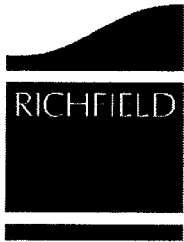
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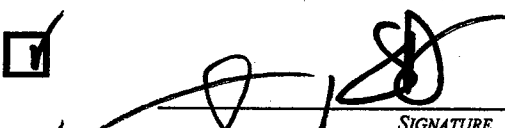
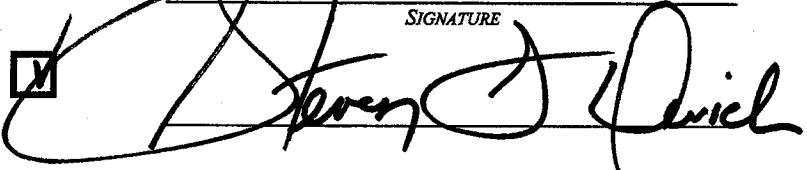
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**STAFF REPORT**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 30, 2009**

REPORT PREPARED BY:	CHRIS REGIS, FINANCE MANAGER
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**ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**  
Conduct a truth in taxation public hearing regarding the 2010 property tax levy and 2009 Revised/2010 Proposed budget and proposed 2010 water, wastewater and storm sewer utility rates.

**I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
**Conduct and close the truth in taxation public hearing and by motion: schedule final action on the levy and budget items and utility rates for the regular City Council meeting of December 8, 2009**

**II. BACKGROUND**

At the September 8, 2009 City Council meeting the City Council adopted the 2010 preliminary property tax levy and announced November 30, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for the statutory truth in taxation public hearing.

Hennepin County has mailed the proposed 2010 property tax statements to property owners in Richfield, which are based upon the proposed levy and announce the date of the public hearing.

**III. BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION**

**A. POLICY**

- As a result of legislation passed in 2009 session there have been several significant changes to the Truth in Taxation (TNT) process.

- The requirement to hold a special TNT public hearing and continuation hearing have been repealed.
- Counties, cities over 500 population, school districts, and metropolitan special taxing districts are still required to hold a single meeting which the public is allowed to speak and the budget and levy is discussed.
- This meeting may be part of a regularly scheduled meeting but must occur after 6:00 p.m.
- Minnesota Statute mandates that the truth in taxation public hearing must be conducted between November 25 and December 26, 2009.
- The City has chosen to select a separate date, November 30, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., to conduct the TNT hearing.
- The requirement to publish a notice of a Truth in Taxation hearing and proposed property tax levy has been repealed.

**B. CRITICAL ISSUES**

- Schedule the final adoption action for the 2009 Revised/2010 Budget and tax levy and utility rates for December 8, 2009.
- The City must adopt their final payable 2010 property tax levies and their payable 2010 budgets not later than December 28, 2009.

**C. FINANCIAL**

- N/A

**D. LEGAL**

- The City has schedule November 30, 2009 for the TNT hearing and December 8, 2009 for the official adoption of the final levy and budget.
- Final adoption of the payable 2010 property tax levies must be completed by December 28, 2009.

**E. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- N/A

**IV. ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- None with respect to conducting the public hearing, as it is mandated by state law.

**V. ATTACHMENTS**

- None.

**VI. PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING**

- None.