



City of West Point
Council Public Hearing Minutes
Tuesday, August 26, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.
West Point Council Chambers

The Public Hearing of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall August 25, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. with Mayor Steve Tramell opening the session.

Members Present:

Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Joseph R. Downs, III

Members Absent:

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Kevin M. Patrick
Councilmember Joel B. Finlay

Public Hearing for Property Tax Increase

Mayor Steve Tramell opened the public hearing.

Mayor Steve Tramell made the following statement:

The City of West Point Mayor and City Council has tentatively adopted a 2026 millage rate which will require an increase in property tax by 3.92 percent.

This tentative increase will result in a millage rate of 7.852 mills, an increase of 0.296 mills. Without this tentative increase, the millage rate will be no more than 7.556 mills. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of \$125,000 is approximately \$14.80 and the proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$100,000 is approximately \$11.84.

At this time, the City Council has not taken final action on the 2026 millage rate.

The purpose of this public hearing is to listen to your comments regarding the 2026 millage rate. Your remarks will be considered by the council before a final decision is made.

A few guidelines for this hearing:

- This is not a forum for debate or question-and-answer.
- Each speaker will have up to five (5) minutes for comments.
- Please state your name and address before your remarks.
- Council and staff will be available to answer individual questions following the hearing.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Steve Tramell closed the public hearing.

Public Notice

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on the tax increase to be held at the West Point City Hall, 730 1st Avenue, West Point, GA on August 25, 2025, at 5:30 PM.

ADJOURN

Mayor Steve Tramell asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Joeseeph R. Downs III made said motion and seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton; **passed unanimously**.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.