

**ELYSIAN CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSHOP AND
COUNCIL INTERVIEW MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 2025**

The Elysian City Council held a budget workshop / council interview meeting on Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at City Hall at 6:00 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

Roll Call: Mayor Dennis Schnoor; Councilmembers Bobby Houlihan, Paul Hunter, and Derek Westby; City Administrator Lorri Kopischke. Absent: None.

Interviews were held to consider applicants for the Council vacancy that was declared at the August 11, 2025 City Council Meeting. Seven (7) letters of interest were received. One (1) letter of interest was withdrawn. Six (6) candidates were interviewed for the appointment. The results were discussed. An applicant will be chosen and appointed by resolution at the September 8, 2025 City Council meeting.

The Joint Fire Board has submitted a draft budget for consideration. The proposed 2025 Fire Department Budget is \$105,000. This will increase the City contribution to that portion of the budget from \$47,500 to \$52,500. No other changes were proposed.

A revised proposed levy was discussed. The proposed general fund levy amount is \$59,472 higher than last year's general levy. The total proposed levy is \$967,712 which is \$42,964 (4.6%) increase from previous year.

The Council will consider the proposed preliminary 2026 Budget at the September 8, 2025 City Council meeting. The Council will consider the proposed 2025 Levy Payable 2026 at the September 8, 2025 City Council meeting.

On motion by Schnoor, seconded by Hunter, all voting in favor, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm.

Approved:

Dennis Schnoor, Mayor

Attested:

Lorri Kopischke, City Administrator