

City of Trenton
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 15th, 2023 - 7:30 p.m.

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Calvin Woodrey
Mayor

Ryan Perry Jennifer Harris Jennie Combs Dale Perry Cody Agee Sharon Montgomery
Vice Mayor Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

1. Deacon Larry Gronas.

ROLL CALL

Present: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
Absent: (0)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Fire Chief, Darrell Yater.
 - a. Chief Yater mentioned the presentation for the fire levy from the previous meeting and that either Resolution will get us 5 staff members daily and that the need is for senior officers to be in the building daily for each shift which would provide operational leadership on the scene. Not only operational leadership on a scene but leadership capabilities within the organization. Knowing how the crew operates. He recommended the 4.25 Mill levy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the 1st, 2023 Council Work Session.
2. Minutes of the June 1st, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion –To approve the minutes of the June1, 2023 Council Work Session and Regular Council meeting.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry 2nd _____ Agee _____
YAYS: Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Combs, Perry (5)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: Woodrey, Harris (2)
ABSENT: (0)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

1. Steve Heitfield; Trenton, Ohio
 - a. Mr. Heitfield wanted to inform Council about the issues on Bloomfield Court. He’s hired an attorney a year and a half ago due to the issues with Mr. Fontelroy. He’s expressed that Mr. Fontelroy has recently fired his attorney since he was told he cannot do what he wants to do. The residents on Bloomfield Court have covenants and easements for ingress and egress.
2. Vicki Hughes; Trenton, Ohio
 - a. For two (2) years, Mr. Fontelroy has been harassing folks on Bloomfield Court.

She continues to get letters from him and has for almost 2 years. He has expressed that he will repossess her house. She wishes that City Council can assist with the issues that she is facing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 TAX BUDGET (EXHIBIT A) AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT THE SAME TO THE BUTLER COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION.

Motion - That the motion be adopted with amended tabs as presented.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice-Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

2. A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE A CHANGE ORDER REGARDING THE CONTRACT WITH JOHN R. JURGENSEN COMPANY FOR TRENTON’S CITY BUILDING PARKING LOT RESURFACING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF (\$70,315.48) SEVENTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS AND FOURTY EIGHT CENTS AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO.

Motion - That the motion be added to the agenda and adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice-Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

LEGISLATION

Motion - That the items 1, 2, 3, and 4 under legislation be read by title only.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice-Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Montgomery _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (6)

NAYS: Agee (1)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

1. A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF LEVYING AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(Second Reading)**

After the reading of this title, Councilmember Agee had asked whether or not this item and item 2 on the agenda could both be adopted as this moves to the next step in the process. Mr. Agee also asked Finance Director Matthew Mesisklis about more financial information. Mr. Mesisklis proceeded to present an updated presentation (attached below).

Motion - That the Resolution be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice-Mayor Perry 2nd Harris

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

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Motion - That the Resolution be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Agee 2nd Harris

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

3. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A THREE YEAR SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, OHIO AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION (OPBA) SERGEANTS AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF SAID COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT. **(First Reading, Suspend Rules)**

Motion - That the rules be suspended and the Resolution voted on this evening.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Harris

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

Motion - That the Resolution be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Agee

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

4. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF TRENTON FOR DESIGN OR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (**First Reading, Suspend Rules**)

Motion - That the rules be suspended and the Resolution voted on this evening.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Montgomery _____
YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (6)
NAYS: Agee (1)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

Motion - That the Resolution be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Agee _____
YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

REPORTS

No reports.

AUDIENCE OF COUNCIL

Ms. Harris – No reports.

Ms. Combs – Wish all the fathers out there a Happy Father’s Day and thank everyone that took part in Springfest and movie in the park event.

Mr. Perry – Thanked everyone for movies in the park and Springfest. It was a great event.

Mr. Agee – Thanked all the residents who showed up and spoke out and stayed the whole meeting. Wish a Happy Father’s Day, Juneteenth, and July 4th holidays. Mentioned last year the State of Ohio passed legislation to limit special elections (they cost around \$20 Million). Even after passing, there will be another Special Election this August. Hopefully people get out and vote. For the August 8th 2023 Election, the Deadline to register to vote is July 10, 2023; Early in-person voting begins July 11, 2023; Absentee Voting by mail begins July 11, 2023; Military and Overseas Absentee Voting begins June 23, 2023; and Election Day is August 8, 2023. Polls open at 6:30 AM and close at 7:30 PM. Also thanked everyone that came out for SpringFest, and it was a great event.

Ms. Montgomery – Thanked Deacon Larry Gronas for the wonderful prayer. Thanked the residents for coming and expressing their issues and concerns. It’s important for you to come and express your issues. Thanks to the Fire Chief for his presentation. Trenton is a wonderful place.

Vice-Mayor Perry – Thanked everyone who showed up to SpringFest. Thanked Sharon Leichman, the Parks Board, Police & Fire. He noted the kids appreciated the fire truck spraying water on the hot day. Appreciated the ATV that the Police Department brought to show off. Thanks to everyone for the great

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day in Trenton. Reminder of Movies in the Park (7/8 – The Secret Life of Pets; 8/12 – The Secret Life of Pets 2; 9/9 – High School musical).
Mayor Woodrey – Mentioned that the City building will be closed on Monday June 19th in celebration of Juneteenth. Thanked all the volunteers and everyone involved. Noted that tomorrow (6/16) beginning at 7am at Todd’s IGA in town our local representatives Rodney Creech and Thomas Hall will be there. Mentioned being careful over the 4th of July holiday. And thanks to everyone who showed up to the meeting tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion - That the meeting be adjourned.

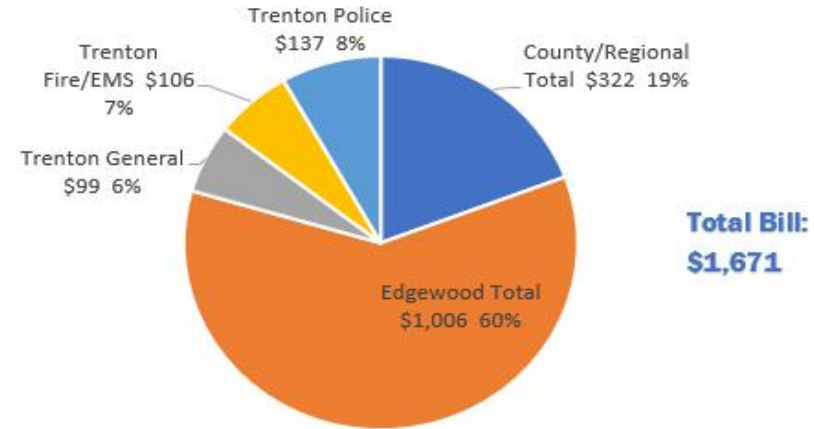
(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Montgomery Time: 9:01PM

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

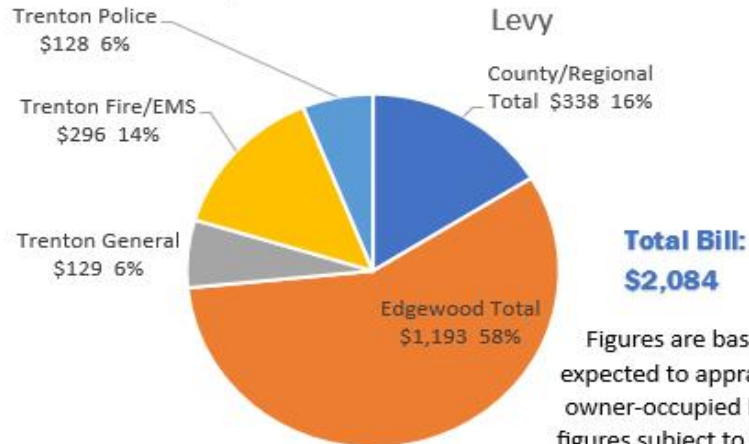
Residential Property Tax: How Much and Where It Goes



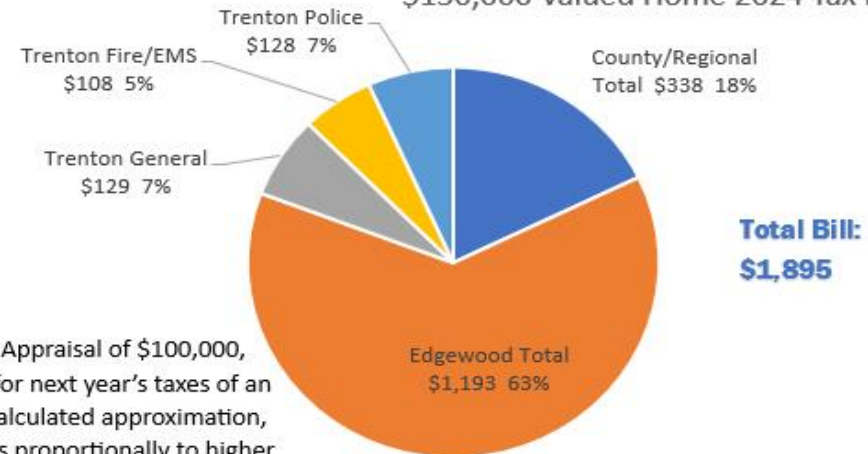
\$100,000 Valued Home 2023 Tax Bill



\$130,000 Valued Home 2024 Tax Bill + 4.25 Mill Fire Levy



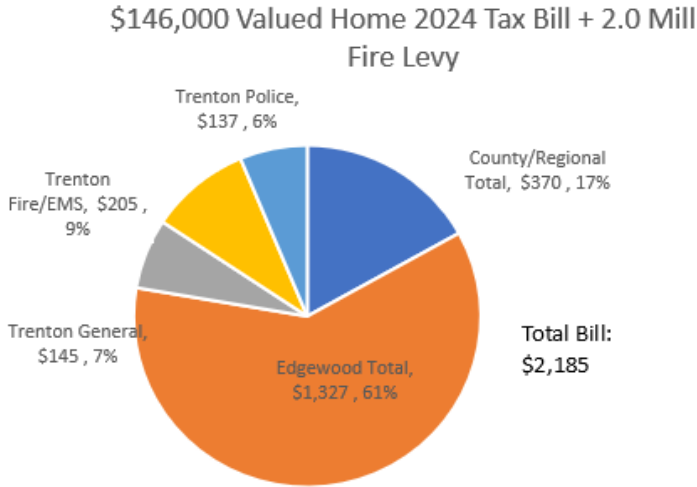
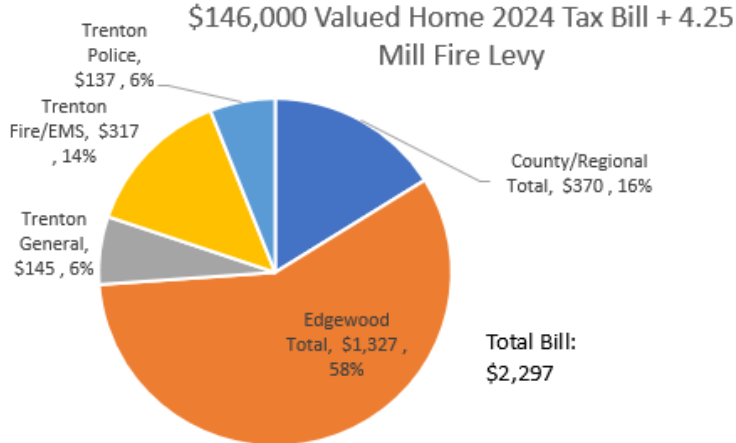
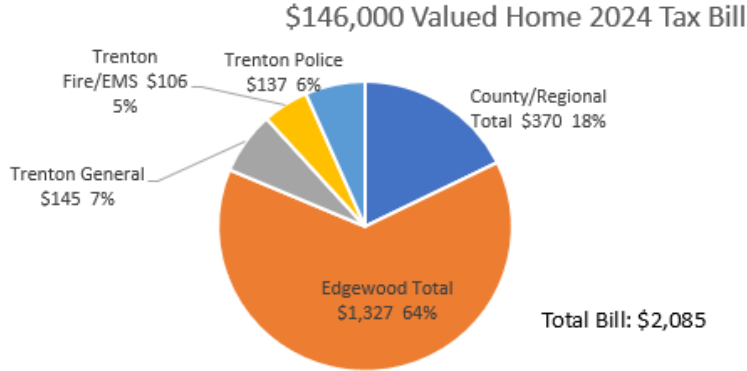
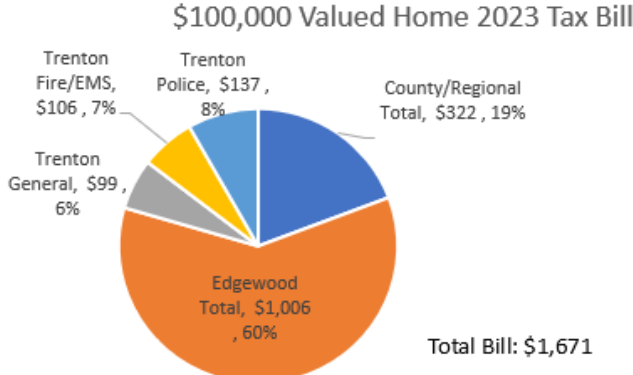
\$130,000 Valued Home 2024 Tax Bill



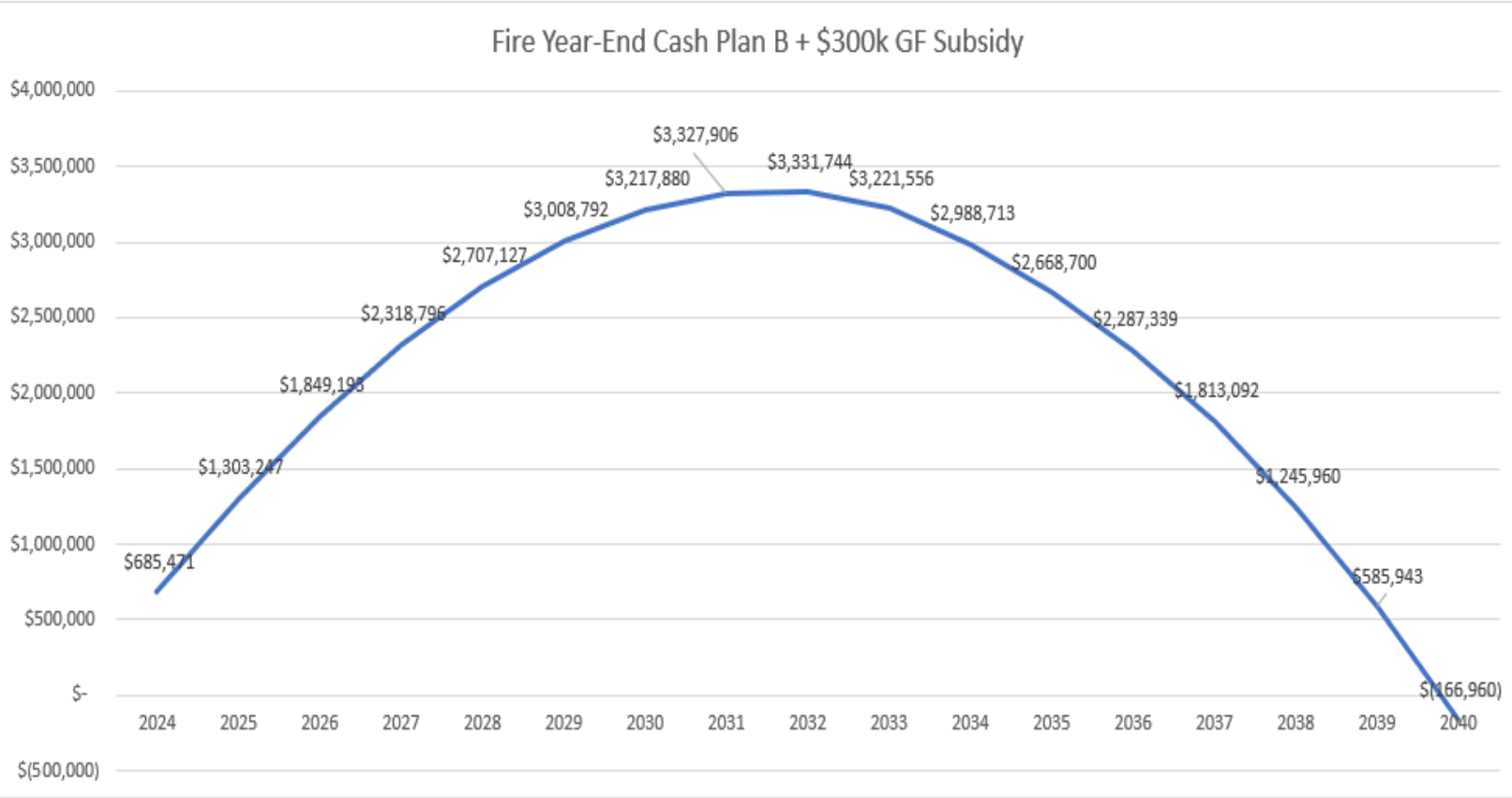
Figures are based on an Auditor Appraisal of \$100,000, expected to appraise at \$130,000 for next year's taxes of an owner-occupied home. Data is a calculated approximation, figures subject to change. Bill scales proportionally to higher value homes

Maximum Expected Increase

Tax Estimate is based on \$100,000 of current home value reassessed at the maximum foreseeable valuation increase available from current data 6/2/2023. Data subject to change. Values are scalable with current home values.

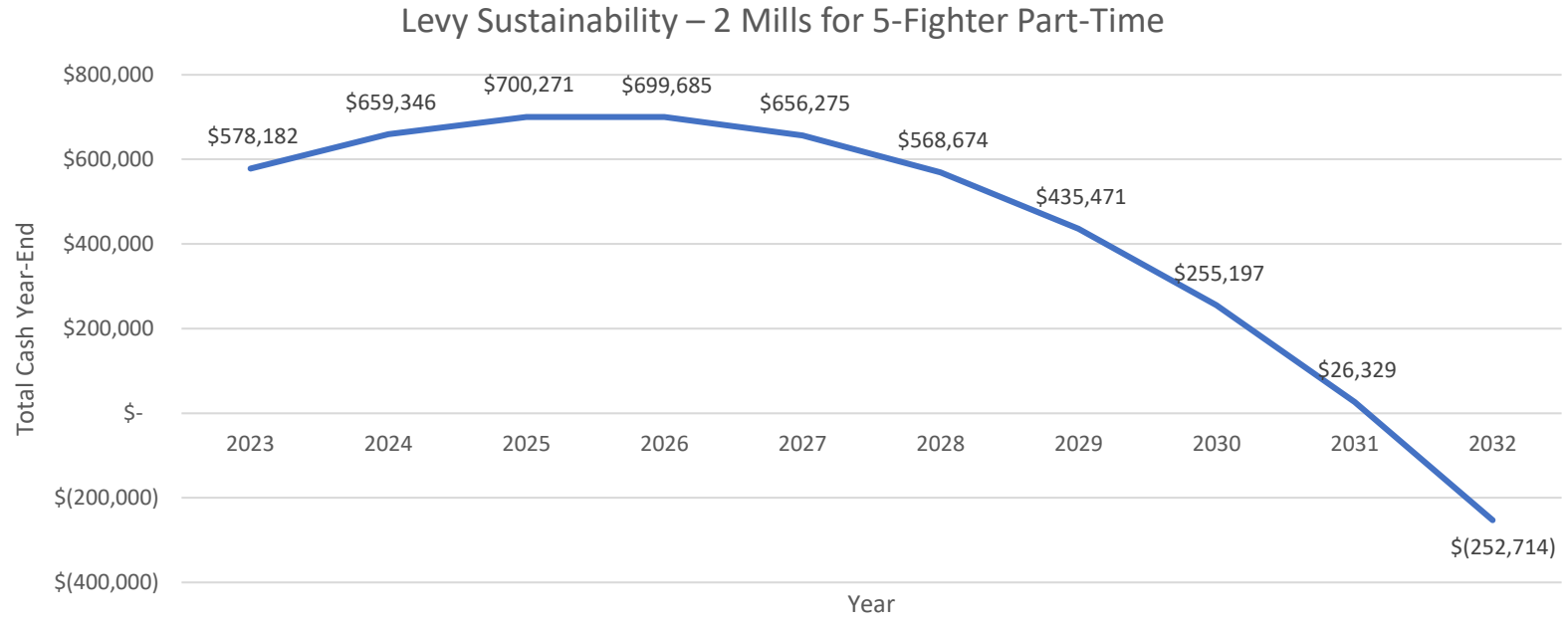


Levy vs Costs – Plan B (\$148.75 per \$100,000 assessed value)



Expense Assumptions	Revenue Sources
2 FT 3 PT Fighters Per Shift	4.25 Mill New Levy
Benefit/Overtime Budget	Existing levy (2.65 Effective Mills)
FT Fire Chief	\$300k GF Contribution
20% of Dispatch Costs	

Levy vs Costs – Plan C (\$70 per \$100,000 assessed value)



Expense Assumptions	Revenue Sources
5 PT Fighters Per Shift	2.0 Mill New Levy
Social Security	Existing levy (2.65 Effective Mills)
PT Fire Chief	
20% of Dispatch Costs	

Trenton's General Fund contributes significantly to public safety, by paying for a majority of police and all dispatch costs. Policy also reflects support of FD by \$300,000 annually

% of General Fund Revenues Spent on Public Safety

