

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

City of: EDGEWOOD

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: Community Room Meeting Date: 4/13/2026 Meeting Time: 06:00 PM  
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.  
City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals>.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.

The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property	13.64034
The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural property is	2.96936

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Phone Number (563) 928-6842 City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME Cassandra Ries

	Budget FY 2027	Re-estimated FY 2026	Actual FY 2025
<b>Revenues &amp; Other Financing Sources</b>			
Taxes Levied on Property	1 469,930	456,126	491,662
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2 0	0	0
<b>Net Current Property Taxes</b>	3 469,930	456,126	491,662
Delinquent Property Taxes	4 0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5 357,753	307,619	303,070
Other City Taxes	6 147,154	464,961	140,734
Licenses & Permits	7 2,625	2,625	3,725
Use of Money and Property	8 45,580	43,280	43,740
Intergovernmental	9 269,574	228,714	217,245
Charges for Fees & Service	10 669,500	632,400	662,345
Special Assessments	11 2,066	2,120	2,228
Miscellaneous	12 53,500	53,500	54,984
Other Financing Sources	13 0	0	0
Transfers In	14 230,215	382,500	275,679
<b>Total Revenues and Other Sources</b>	15 2,247,897	2,573,845	2,195,412
<b>Expenditures &amp; Other Financing Uses</b>			
Public Safety	16 457,386	216,997	435,320
Public Works	17 296,794	411,000	241,783
Health and Social Services	18 0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19 224,873	264,702	162,139
Community and Economic Development	20 179,435	197,002	162,040
General Government	21 163,513	183,183	118,837
Debt Service	22 215,100	218,000	208,830
Capital Projects	23 0	0	0
<b>Total Government Activities Expenditures</b>	24 1,537,101	1,490,884	1,328,949
Business Type / Enterprises	25 477,034	558,309	483,359
<b>Total ALL Expenditures</b>	26 2,014,135	2,049,193	1,812,308
Transfers Out	27 230,215	382,500	275,679
<b>Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	28 2,244,350	2,431,693	2,087,987
<b>Excess Revenues &amp; Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	29 3,547	142,152	107,425
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30 2,574,819	2,432,667	2,325,242
<b>Ending Fund Balance June 30</b>	31 2,578,366	2,574,819	2,432,667

## Sad News for Local Newspapers

### Mid-America Publishing to cease operations

Mid-America Publishing, the parent company of the Postville Herald, (Monona) Outlook and Calmar Courier has announced it will cease operations the first week of April. The company's last day of business will be April 2.

"This has been a difficult week for our staff both locally and across the state of Iowa," Mid-America Regional Editor John Jensen said. "Dwindling readership and advertising revenue have taken their toll on newspapers across the nation for years. It is a sad time for both our company and the communities we serve."

The Herald, Outlook and Courier will publish their final editions under Mid-America ownership April 1. Mid-America is seeking new ownership for the publications, though as of March 27, no information was available regarding a possible sale.

The closure affects five full-time employees and multiple correspondents in northeast Iowa.

For information regarding subscriptions and advertising, please contact the Mid-America corporate office at 641-456-2585. Local staff will not be able to answer questions.

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## EDGEWOOD REMINDER

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### City of Edgewood

Special Meeting, March 23, 2026

Edgewood City Council met in special session, Monday, March 23, 2026 in the Community Room. Mayor Dugan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council Members present: Harris, Struble, Sullivan, Kopren; Absent – Kendrick. Motion by Sullivan, second by Harris to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: Ayes - Kopren, Harris, Struble, Sullivan; Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Sullivan, second by Kopren to set the Public Hearing to adopt the Fiscal Year '27 Budget for April 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call: Ayes – Kopren, Harris, Struble, Sullivan; Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Sullivan, second by Kopren to approve a deposit of \$250.00 to secure the scheduling of the goats grazing for Spring 2026. Roll Call: Ayes – Struble, Sullivan, Kopren, Harris; Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Sullivan, second by Struble to hire Tristan Landon as a lifeguard and Ryan Lange as a basket house worker for the 2026 pool season. Roll Call: Ayes – Harris, Kopren, Struble, Sullivan; Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Struble, second by Sullivan to add Addilyn Burger as a driver for the ambulance crew. Roll Call: Ayes – Kopren, Harris, Struble, Sullivan; Nays – 0. Motion carried. Motion by Sullivan, second by Harris to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. All Ayes.

Sarah Dugan, Mayor

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Mayor Dugan declared the Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Levy for Fiscal Year '27 open at 6:00 p.m. There were no taxpayers or citizens voicing their opinion for or against said tax levy as published. The hearing was closed at 6:01 p.m.

Motion by Sullivan, second by Kopren to adjourn at 6:01 p.m. All Ayes.

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## 3 Ways Families Can Get More Bang for Their Buck in 2026

(StatePoint) Looking to stretch your dollar further in 2026? Here's how your family can get more bang for your buck on the items and services you use most:

### Find a Value-Packed Phone Plan

If it's been awhile since you've looked at phone plan options, you may not realize that upgrading your plan doesn't have to be complicated or mean spending more. Check out enhanced plans like T-Mobile's newly unveiled Better Value, a family plan that gives new and long-term customers, including small businesses, such benefits as the largest, fastest, most advanced 5G

network, unlimited data abroad, satellite connectivity and built-in extras like streaming services, without the premium price tag. Designed to deliver real savings families can feel right away, the plan starts at \$140 a month for three lines with AutoPay, and can amount to savings of over \$1,000 compared to similar plans.

Plus, it's a good choice if you're looking to map out your long-term budget. The plan comes with a five-year price guarantee on talk, text and data, so your family can count on the price you sign up for in the months and years ahead.

Additional benefits include exclusive hotel and rental car perks, exclusive ticket access and premium experiences at thousands of concerts and festivals nationwide, free DashPass by DoorDash, weekly perks through T-Mobile Tuesdays and more. This limited-time plan is available to new customers with three or more phone lines who are switching at least two of those lines to T-Mobile, as well as existing customers of five or more years who have three phone lines. For more information, visit [www.t-mobile.com](http://www.t-mobile.com).

**Bundle and Save** - If you're working with more than one insurance provider, you may be over-paying – and wasting time. Not only does streamlining coverage under one carrier provide clerical convenience, an analysis by NerdWallet finds that bundling your auto and home insurance can offer savings of up to 40%. Additional discounts are available for all kinds of reasons – from having a good driving record to making specific home updates, so ask your agent what's available to you. The best part is that you can use the savings on other household necessities, or to expand your coverage and gain additional peace of mind.

**Shop Smart** - With the cost of two basic essentials – groceries and gas – on the rise, you may be looking for ways to stretch your dollar on the items you can't live without. One way to do that is by always using a rewards credit card at the supermarket and at the pump for cash back on every purchase. Additionally, apps like GasBuddy can help you locate the lowest gas prices near you, and apps like Ibotta let you submit receipts of your grocery purchases in order to earn cash back.

When it comes to monthly bills, a few smart strategies and tweaks to your routine means that your family can live large without your wallet taking a hit.