FY27 ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTIONS
(ADDENDUM TO THE FY27 PROPOSED BUDGET DOCUMENT)

The following FY27 budget resolutions were adopted by the City Council on June 8, 2026.

Resolution #7-2026 Fee Schedule – The City Council adopted the Fee Schedule (voted 9-0) as amended in Appendix III of the FY27 Proposed Budget. The amendments were as follows:

Fee Schedule

- Increase of Non-Resident fees (as below) for **Recreation – Spinnaker Point**

Fee Description	FY27 Proposed	FY27 Adopted	$ Difference
Adult Non-Resident (per year)	$440.00	$575.00	$135.00
Adult Non-Resident (per month)	$38.00	$50.00	$12.00
Senior Citizen Non-Resident (per year)	$220.00	$300.00	$80.00
Senior Citizen Non-Resident (per month)	$20.00	$35.00	$15.00
Guest Fee Non-Resident (per day)	$15.00	$25.00	$10.00

Resolution #8-2026 General Fund – The City Council adopted the appropriations for General Fund Expenditures (voted 8-1) in the amount of **$157,856,390**. The appropriations were adopted as amended in the FY27 Proposed Budget as shown below:

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTED FY27 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	**$28,011,838**
POLICE	**$16,189,837**
FIRE	**$12,914,260**
SCHOOL	**$71,637,655**
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTINGENCY	**$460,000**
TRANSFER TO INDOOR POOL	**$200,000**
TRANSFER TO PRESCOTT PARK	**$284,463**
TRANSFER TO COMMUNITY CAMPUS	**$491,187**
NON-OPERATING	**$27,667,150**
TOTAL	**$157,856,390**

The FY27 Budget of $157,971,390 was submitted to the City Council on May 1, 2026. Reductions were made to the Proposed General Fund Budget following a series of budget work sessions held by the City Council, totaling $115,000. The amendments were as follows:

NON-OPERATING BUDGET – Decrease of $115,000

- **($115,000) - Capital Outlay Reduction**
  - ($50,000) – Electrification of City Fleet – Development Plan
  - ($65,000) – Artist Live Work Studio Space Study

City Council FY27 Adopted Budget

OPERATING BUDGET:	FY26 Budget	FY27 City Manager's Proposed Budget	FY27 City Council Adopted Budget	$ Change From FY27 Proposed Budget	$ Change From FY26 Budget	% Change From FY26 Budget
General Government	27,133,945	28,011,838	28,011,838	0	877,893	3.24%
Police	15,073,538	16,189,837	16,189,837	0	1,116,299	7.41%
Fire	12,884,330	12,914,260	12,914,260	0	29,930	0.23%
School	67,257,304	71,637,655	71,637,655	0	4,380,351	6.51%
Collective Bargaining	0	460,000	460,000	0	460,000	0.00%
Transfer to Indoor Pool	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	0	0.00%
Transfer to Prescott Park	271,370	284,463	284,463	0	13,093	4.82%
Transfer to Community Campus	470,911	491,187	491,187	0	20,276	4.31%
Total Operating Budget	123,291,398	130,189,240	130,189,240	0	6,897,842	5.59%
NON-OPERATING BUDGET:						
Debt Service & Related Costs	14,311,948	14,327,355	14,327,355	0	15,407	0.11%
Overlay	60,000	60,000	60,000	0	0	0.00%
Property & Liability Insurance	508,005	675,950	675,950	0	167,945	33.06%
County	6,000,870	6,225,610	6,225,610	0	224,740	3.75%
Contingency	300,000	300,000	300,000	0	0	0.00%
Rolling Stock	789,000	836,500	836,500	0	47,500	6.02%
IT Equipment Replacement	1,091,250	1,197,150	1,197,150	0	105,900	9.70%
Capital Outlay	1,560,000	1,560,000	1,445,000	(115,000)	(115,000)	-7.37%
Professional Services - Outside Counsel	400,000	0	0	0	(400,000)	-100.00%
Other General Non-Operating	1,982,469	2,599,585	2,599,585	0	617,116	31.13%
Total Non-Operating Budget	27,003,542	27,782,150	27,667,150	(115,000)	663,608	2.46%
Total Gross Budget	**150,294,940**	**157,971,390**	**157,856,390**	**(115,000)**	**7,561,450**	**5.03%**

The adopted FY27 budget projects an estimated tax rate of **$12.05** per $1,000 of property valuation. This rate would be an increase of 54¢ or 4.67% over the FY26 tax rate of $11.51.

It is important to note that the tax rate is set annually by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) in the fall, once property valuation, county tax obligation, and state revenues are finalized.

Resolution #9-2026 Water Fund – The City Council adopted the appropriations (voted 9-0) for the Water Fund in the amount of $14,566,278 based on the full accrual basis of accounting and $15,632,778 for cash requirements necessary to defray expenses for the operations of the water system. The appropriations and user rates were adopted as presented in the FY27 Proposed Budget submitted to the City Council on May 1, 2026 with no amendments.

Resolution #10-2026 Sewer Fund – The City Council adopted the appropriations (voted 9-0) for the Sewer Fund in the amount of $25,155,497 based on the full accrual basis of accounting and $27,773,840 for cash requirements necessary to defray expenses for the operations of the sewer system. The appropriations and user rates were adopted as presented in the FY27 Proposed Budget submitted to the City Council on May 1, 2026 with no amendments.

Resolution #11-2026 Special Revenues – The City Council adopted the appropriations (voted 9-0) for Special Revenues Funds including: Parking & Transportation, Community Campus, Indoor Pool, Stormwater, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Prescott Park, the Portsmouth Housing Endowment Trust, and expenditures from Committed Fund Balance such as Leave at Termination and the Health Insurance Stabilization Fund. Special Revenues Funds are sums received to pay for specific purposes such as Federal and State Grants and donations. Prior to spending these funds, grants and donations are accepted by the City Council.

Resolution #12-2026 Investment Policy – The City Council adopted the annual Investment Policy (voted 9-0) for the City of Portsmouth.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY - FY 2027
TAX CALCULATION

OPERATING BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET	FY27 CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDED	$$ CHANGE FROM FY26	% CHANGE FROM FY26	FY27 CITY COUNCIL ADOPTED BUDGET	$$ CHANGE FROM FY26	% CHANGE FROM FY26
General Government	26,470,064	27,133,945	28,011,838	877,893	3.24%	28,011,838	877,893	3.24%
Police Department	14,586,704	15,073,538	16,189,837	1,116,299	7.41%	16,189,837	1,116,299	7.41%
Fire Department	12,507,527	12,884,330	12,914,260	29,930	0.23%	12,914,260	29,930	0.23%
School Department	64,061,713	67,257,304	71,637,655	4,380,351	6.51%	71,637,655	4,380,351	6.51%
Collective Bargaining Contingency	0	0	460,000	460,000	N/A	460,000	460,000	N/A
Department Operating Budget	117,626,008	122,349,117	129,213,590	6,864,473	5.61%	129,213,590	6,864,473	5.61%
Transfer to Indoor Pool	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	0.00%	200,000	0	0.00%
Transfer to Prescott Park	262,930	271,370	284,463	13,093	4.82%	284,463	13,093	4.82%
Transfer to Community Campus	465,355	470,911	491,187	20,276	4.31%	491,187	20,276	4.31%
Total Transfers	928,285	942,281	975,650	33,369	3.54%	975,650	33,369	3.54%
Total Operating Budget	118,554,293	123,291,398	130,189,240	6,897,842	5.59%	130,189,240	6,897,842	5.59%
NON-OPERATING BUDGET								
Debt Related Expenses	120,000	120,000	120,000	0	0.00%	120,000	0	0.00%
Debt Service	14,164,300	14,191,948	14,207,355	15,407	0.11%	14,207,355	15,407	0.11%
Overlay Interest Expense	60,000	60,000	60,000	0	0.00%	60,000	0	0.00%
Property & Liability Insurance	424,292	508,005	675,950	167,945	33.06%	675,950	167,945	33.06%
Rockingham County Tax	5,730,000	6,000,870	6,225,610	224,740	3.75%	6,225,610	224,740	3.75%
Contingency	300,000	300,000	300,000	0	0.00%	300,000	0	0.00%
Rolling Stock	783,650	789,000	836,500	47,500	6.02%	836,500	47,500	6.02%
IT Equipment Replacement	992,180	1,091,250	1,197,150	105,900	9.70%	1,197,150	105,900	9.70%
Capital Outlay	1,638,000	1,560,000	1,560,000	0	0.00%	1,445,000	(115,000)	-7.37%
Professional Services - Outside Counsel	500,000	400,000	0	(400,000)	-100.00%	0	(400,000)	-100.00%
Other General Non-Operating	1,594,632	1,982,469	2,599,585	617,116	31.13%	2,599,585	617,116	31.13%
Total Non-Operating Budget	26,307,054	27,003,542	27,782,150	778,608	2.88%	27,667,150	663,608	2.46%
Total Gross Budget	144,861,347	150,294,940	157,971,390	7,676,450	5.11%	157,856,390	7,561,450	5.03%
REVENUES								
Municipal	19,525,932	20,351,352	20,897,023	545,671	2.68%	21,037,023	685,671	3.37%
School	6,964,600	7,129,764	7,298,373	168,609	2.36%	7,298,373	168,609	2.36%
State Revenues	2,521,000	2,666,921	2,785,813	118,892	4.46%	2,785,813	118,892	4.46%
State Revenues-School Building Aid	740,973	740,973	740,974	1	0.00%	740,974	1	0.00%
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	2,183,054	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
<u>*Use of Fund Balance*</u>							0	N/A
Budget Process	1,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0.00%	2,000,000	0	0.00%
Property Appraisal	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%	100,000	0	0.00%
Debt Service Reserve	1,600,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	(100,000)	-6.67%	1,400,000	(100,000)	-6.67%
Use of Bond Premium	0	131,519	0	(131,519)	-100.00%	0	(131,519)	-100.00%
Supplemental Appropriation	0	400,000	0	(400,000)	-100.00%	0	(400,000)	-100.00%
Total Revenues	34,635,559	35,020,529	35,222,183	201,654	0.58%	35,362,183	341,654	0.98%
BUDGETED PROPERTY TAX LEVY	110,225,788	115,274,411	122,749,207	7,474,796	6.48%	122,494,207	7,219,796	6.26%
Adequate Education Formula	(11,062,049)	(11,022,761)	(10,689,236)	333,525	-3.03%	(10,689,236)	333,525	-3.03%
State Education Tax	11,062,049	11,022,761	10,689,236	(333,525)	-3.03%	10,689,236	(333,525)	-3.03%
War Service Credits	710,235	699,735	699,735	0	0.00%	699,735	0	0.00%
Overlay	1,489,488	2,142,725	2,000,000	(142,725)	-6.66%	2,000,000	(142,725)	-6.66%
State Adjustment	(49,785)	(147,340)	0	147,340	-100.00%	0	147,340	-100.00%
Total Property Taxes Assessed	112,375,726	117,969,531	125,448,942	7,479,411	6.34%	125,193,942	7,224,411	6.12%
ASSESSED VALUATION WITH UTILITIES	10,078,592,037	10,276,117,674	10,416,117,674	140,000,000	1.36%	10,416,117,674	140,000,000	1.36%
ASSESSED VALUATION NO UTILITIES	9,810,510,386	9,995,586,917	10,135,586,917	140,000,000	1.40%	10,135,586,917	140,000,000	1.40%
MUNICIPAL & SCHOOL TAX RATE	9.47	9.83	10.42	0.59	5.97%	10.39	0.56	5.72%
COUNTY TAX RATE	0.58	0.58	0.60	0.02	3.57%	0.60	0.02	3.57%
STATE EDUCATION TAX RATE	1.13	1.10	1.05	(0.05)	-4.13%	1.05	(0.05)	-4.13%
COMBINED TAX RATE	11.18	11.51	12.07	0.56	4.88%	12.05	0.54	4.67%