



City of Yakima

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The Yakima City Council will conduct four study sessions over the next two weeks to begin discussions for the 2019 budget.

The purpose of the study sessions is to evaluate city service levels within forecasted city revenues. The City of Yakima is committed to keeping citizens informed and seeking public input prior to city council action.

The first session is 9:00 am on Tuesday, October 9th. The other three sessions, all scheduled for 5:00 pm, will be Thursday, October 11th; Wednesday, October 17th; and Thursday, October 18th.

No action will be taken by the City Council during the four sessions, which will provide input in preparation for three public hearings related to the 2019 budget.

The first budget-related hearing is Tuesday, November 6th, and pertains to the Ad Valorem (Property) Tax to be levied for collection in 2019.

Two public hearings will then be held for the 2019 Preliminary Budget for the City of Yakima. Those hearings are Tuesday, November 13th, and Tuesday, December 4th.

All three hearings will be at 6:30 pm during the City Council's regular meetings on those respective nights. The Council's meetings start at 6:00 pm.

All of the meetings will be in Council Chambers at Yakima City Hall, 129 North 2nd Street.

It is anticipated the City Council will adopt the budget on Tuesday, Dec. 11th.

The City Council's budget study sessions and budget-related public hearings will air live on the Yakima Public Affairs Channel (Y-PAC), Charter Cable Channel 194, and be streamed live on the City of Yakima website - <https://www.yakimawa.gov/council/live-stream/>