



**SOUTH ST. PAUL PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
 School Board Agenda Item

**Meeting Date:** Monday, December 9, 2019

**Place on Agenda:** COW and Regular Meeting

**Action Requested:** Approval

**Attachment:** Summary of Payable 2020 Property Tax Levy  
 Public Hearing PowerPoint

<b>Topic:</b> Approval of Payable 2020 Levy at \$10,507,528.66
<b>Presenter(s):</b> Aaron Bushberger, Finance Director
<p><b>Background:</b>          Attached is the Payable 2020 Property Tax Levy. At the regular meeting, I will be asking for Board approval to set the levy at <b>\$10,507,528.66</b>. This is an increase of 5.83% from last year's levy.</p> <p>The preliminary levy was approved at \$10,760,813 in September. Since that time, we have been able to reduce the levy, and the final levy amount is \$253,284 less than the preliminary levy (was an 8.38% increase at that time).</p> <p>Below is the levy timeline for the Payable 2019 Levy:  <b>September 23</b> – Board of Education approved preliminary levy  <b>September 30</b> – Levy due to Dakota County and Minnesota Department of Education  <b>Mid-November</b> – Dakota County mailed proposed property tax statements to South St Paul property owners  <b>December 9</b> – Board of Education holds Public Hearing for Taxes Payable in 2020 and approves the final payable 2020 levy certification</p> <p>During the regular meeting, we will hold the Public Hearing for Taxes Payable in 2020. I will make a presentation of the levy and provide required information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School district funding overview</li> <li>- District budget</li> <li>- Payable 2020 property tax levy and reasons for the change in levy</li> <li>- After the presentation, the public will be able to make comments regarding the levy</li> </ul>
<b>Recommendation:</b> Approval
<b>Alternatives:</b> N/A

**South St Paul Public Schools  
Final Payable 2020 Levy**

<b>FINAL PAY 2020 LEVY December 9, 2019</b>	<b>FINAL Payable 2019</b>	<b>FINAL Payable 2020</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b><u>General Fund:</u></b>				
Referendum	\$2,696,507	\$2,115,902	-\$580,605	
Local Optional	\$1,351,108	\$2,001,571	\$650,463	
Equity	\$415,091	\$436,019	\$20,928	
Transition	\$93,016	\$97,724	\$4,708	
Capital Projects Referendum	\$596,118	\$693,121	\$97,003	
Operating Capital	\$188,011	\$205,758	\$17,747	
Alternative Teacher Compensation	\$276,597	\$317,032	\$40,435	
Achievement and Integration	\$179,037	\$186,517	\$7,480	
Reemployment Insurance	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	
Safe Schools	\$134,042	\$131,961	-\$2,081	
Safe Schools Intermediate	\$55,851	\$54,984	-\$867	
Career and Technical	\$45,934	\$47,180	\$1,246	
Long Term Facilities Maintenance	\$695,022	\$741,500	\$46,478	
Building/Land Lease	\$266,571	\$596,089	\$329,518	
Capital Facilities Bonds	-\$177,345	-\$179,445	-\$2,100	
Adjustments/Abatements	-\$414,940	-\$354,529	\$60,411	
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$6,425,620</b>	<b>\$7,116,384</b>	<b>\$690,764</b>	
<b><u>Community Service Fund:</u></b>				
Basic Community Education	\$157,536	\$157,536	\$0	
Early Childhood Family Education	\$54,647	\$58,855	\$4,208	
Home Visiting	\$1,400	\$1,652	\$252	
School Age Care - Disabled	\$237,508	\$300,000	\$62,492	
Adjustments/Abatements	-\$33,517	\$29,508	\$63,025	
<b>Total Community Service Fund</b>	<b>\$417,574</b>	<b>\$547,551</b>	<b>\$129,977</b>	
<b><u>Debt Service Fund:</u></b>				
Initial Debt Service	\$3,073,390	\$3,076,855	\$3,465	
Capital Facilities Bonds	\$177,345	\$179,445	\$2,100	
Reduction for Debt Excess	-\$166,371	-\$433,452	-\$267,081	
Adjustments/Abatements	\$929	\$20,744	\$19,815	
<b>Total Debt Service Fund</b>	<b>\$3,085,293</b>	<b>\$2,843,592</b>	<b>-\$241,701</b>	
<b>Total All Levies</b>	<b>\$9,928,487</b>	<b>\$10,507,527</b>	<b>\$579,040</b>	<b>5.83%</b>