



# City of Bloomington Common Council

## Legislative Packet - Addendum

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**\*\*\* Amendment Form \*\*\***

**Resolution #:** 22-09  
**Amendment #:** Am 01 - revised  
**Submitted By:** Cm. Smith, Cm. Piedmont-Smith, Cm. Sims, Cm. Flaherty, Cm. Rosenbarger  
**Date:** May 4, 2022

**Proposed Amendment:**

1. Resolution 22-09, Section 1 shall be amended by reducing the proposed Economic Development Income Tax rate from eight hundred fifty-five thousandths percent (0.855%) to sixty-nine hundredths percent (.69) and by reducing the new total Expenditure Tax Rate from two and two tenths percent (2.200%) to two and thirty-five thousandths percent (2.035%), as those figures appear in the first and third paragraphs of the proposed Ordinance Modifying Local Income Tax Rates Within Monroe County, such that the revised paragraphs shall read as follows:

1. A need now exists in Monroe County, Indiana, to impose an Economic Development Income Tax rate (“EDIT”) under Indiana Code § 6-3.6-6-4 to serve economic development purposes throughout Monroe County. The proposed EDIT rate is sixty-nine hundredths percent (0.69%), resulting in the current total tax rate under Indiana Code 6-3.6-6 (“Expenditure Tax Rate”) of one and three hundred forty-five thousandths percent (1.345%) increasing so that the new total Expenditure Tax Rate is two and thirty-five thousandths percent (2.035%).

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3. As a result of the actions in this Ordinance, the Local Income Tax will be allocated as follows, beginning on October 1, 2022:

<b>Local Income Tax Type</b>	<b>2022 Rate (Current)</b>	<b>2022 Rate (Beginning Oct. 1)</b>
Certified Shares (IC 6-3.6-3)	.9482%	.9482%
Public Safety:		
Public Safety Answering Point Rate	0.0807%	0.0807%
Public Safety Rate	0.1693%	0.1693%
<b>Economic Development (IC 6-3.6-6)</b>	<b>0.0000%</b>	<b>0.69%</b>
Property Tax Relief Rate (IC 6-3.6-5)	0.0518%	0.0518%
Special Purpose Rate (IC 6-3.6-5)	0.095%	0.095%
<b>Total Tax Rate</b>	<b>1.345%</b>	<b>2.035%</b>

## **Synopsis and Reason for Amendment**

This amendment is co-sponsored by Cms. Smith, Piedmont-Smith, Sims, Flaherty and Rosenbarger. It would reduce the proposed Economic Development Income Tax rate from .855% to .69% and would revise the total expenditure tax rate to reflect this reduction.

In the supporting materials and discussions that have accompanied this proposal, including a spreadsheet labeled Appendix B to a Local Income Tax Memo (dated April 8, 2022) provided by the Mayor and presentations given at Council meetings, the administration has listed several key areas of investment that it intends to fund based on projected new annual revenue for the city that would be generated by the new tax rate.

While the specific amounts and items of investments in these areas will be put into effect through mechanisms outside of this resolution, the intent of this amendment is to revise the proposed Economic Development Income Tax rate such that investments in the areas and items detailed by the Mayor in Appendix B to the Local Income Tax Memo (dated April 8, 2022) may be made at the amounts listed on the spreadsheet attached hereto.

**05/04/22 Regular Session Action:** *Pending*

Item	Annual Cost	Description
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$3,954,000</b>	
Police - Sworn Officer Salaries	\$1,500,000	Fund the costs associated with the contingent Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) contract
Police - Non-Sworn officer salaries and public safety programs	\$232,500	Expand the roles and increase the number of Police Social Workers and Community Service Specialists to respond to some non-emergency calls for service and those calls that do not require law enforcement response. Provide ongoing support for the STRIDE Center.
Fire - Public Safety Programs	\$232,500	Tailor response options for 911 calls, health and wellness checks, etc. to divert more 911 calls to nonsworn personal. Explore combining police/fire nonsworn.
Police & Fire Headquarters	\$780,000	Consolidate public safety headquarters operations to replace current damaged and inadequate facilities and to benefit from efficiencies of scale.
Fire - New/Upgraded Stations (four, including new downtown)	\$1,209,000	Replace or repair damaged and aging facilities with new or upgraded facilities in order to attract and retain employees and meet safety standards.
<b>CLIMATE CHANGE PREPAREDNESS AND MITIGATION</b>	<b>\$5,433,600</b>	
Add Bloomington Transit (BT) Sunday Service	\$300,000	Achieve 7-day service for greater consistency and reliability in an effort to boost ridership and reduce single occupancy vehicle use.
Establish East-West Express Transit Line	\$1,627,500	Major new service providing 15-minute frequency across a priority East-West corridor. This route addition would boost attractiveness and convenience for riders and reduce automobile use.
Enhance In-House BT Para-Transit and Microtransit	\$1,023,000	Increase access/improve equity for people who can't ride fixed-route BT, qualify for para-transit, require special accommodations while enhancing convenience and expand those services. City-wide service expansion.
Enhance BT Weekday Service to Maximum 30-Minute Frequency	\$762,600	Improve convenience for all riders, boost ridership, reduce automobile use.
Subsidize BT Ridership	\$93,000	Improve access to public transportation with a focus on workforce and low-income riders.
Climate Action Plan (CAP) Implementation	\$1,627,500	Multiple efforts to climate change prevention and preparedness. See Proposed Climate Action Plan Investments in "New Revenue FAQs" for more detail.

<b>EQUITY AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL</b>	<b>\$2,340,000</b>	
Housing Funding for Ownership, Rental, Housing Security	\$1,047,000	Improved access to housing equity through funding assistance for the Housing Security Group/homeless; low/mod-income renters; low/mod-income homeowners. Support missing housing types.
Workforce and Economic Development	\$200,000	Funding for workforce development initiatives, including workforce re-entry, re-skilling and up-skilling, and entrepreneurship training, as well as operations and infrastructure funding for the Trades District Technology Center.
Economic Equity Fund	\$1,000,000	Direct support of low income working residents/families - possible Individual Development Accounts to match savings; focused on direct impact, possibly through SSCAP, MCUM, Trustees, others.
Public Art and Arts Development	\$46,500	Funding for maintenance of existing arts spaces, execution of the recommendations of the City's <i>Arts Feasibility Study</i> and <i>Public Arts Master Plan</i> , and support for arts organizations.
Local Food Access and Nutrition Security	\$46,500	Funding to improve food access and nutrition security. Funding support will focus on partnerships with food service providers to address gaps in local food access for low income and food insecure residents.
<b>ESSENTIAL CITY SERVICES</b>	<b>\$2,790,000</b>	
Personnel	\$1,162,500	Offer incentives to attract and retain talented City employees, such as pay adjustments, hiring bonuses, creation of new positions, tuition reimbursement, relocation allowance, longevity bonuses, and/or housing assistance.
Maintenance/Replacement of Assets	\$465,000	Maintain aging facilities and other physical assets and replace when required.
Increases to Major Categories of Expenses	\$697,500	Meet obligations for city property and liability insurance, materials, supplies, repair and maintenance.
Lost Revenue Replacement	\$465,000	Replace shortfall resulting from decreased Cable Franchise Fees (cable fees lost to streaming) to fund essential IT infrastructure replacements, cybersecurity, and CATS.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,517,600</b>	