



# OREGON Park District

ESTABLISHED 1966

**TAX LEVY PACKET**

**2020**

*Creating fun for a lifetime!*



The Oregon Park District is recognized as an Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) and Illinois Parks and Recreation Association (IPRA) Distinguished Agency. The goal of the program is to improve the delivery of recreation services to the residents of Illinois through a voluntary comprehensive evaluation process. The District has held this status since 2008!



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✓ 54 Years

The District was established in Dec. 1966

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✓ 10+

Park Sites

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✓ 159

Total Acreage of land Owned or Managed

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# Oregon Park District

The Oregon Park District annual property tax levy provides tax dollars for operational uses for the January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 fiscal year. The following property tax levy and accompanying ordinance will ensure that the parks and recreation needs of our community are met. Fiscal tax planning and budget preparation are essential activities that help the District operate effectively and efficiently.

#### TAX LEVY PROCESS

The Oregon Park Districts property tax levy is the amount of property tax dollars the District requests to operate for the subsequent fiscal year. The property tax cycle is the annual process of adopting a levy and then receiving the tax money. The District then completes the annual budget and appropriations process within the first quarter of the subsequent tax year.

The following tax levy packet outlines the Districts property tax levy calculations, fund requests and impact to local homeowners.

The District hopes this document helps our community understand the tax levy process and its impact to District operations. Taxes are an essential part of the Districts operational cycle.

#### DISTRICT GOVERNED BY

A five member elected volunteer Board of Commissioners. Current Board Members consist of Steve Pennock, President; Mark Tremble,

Vice-President, Dave Bakener; Dan Engelkes; Scott Stephens.

#### PARKS & FACILITIES

The District is comprised of twelve park and building sites consisting of over 159 acres. The District operates the

and the outlying areas, and covers approximately 102 square miles.

#### STAFFING

The District employs 13 full-time employees and approximately 60 part time and seasonal employees

***District Mission Statement:  
“To provide quality services through  
programs, parks and facilities to  
fulfill the needs of the community  
in a fun, safe and friendly  
environment.”***

Nash Recreation Center, where the central offices are located.

#### POPULATION

The Park District’s population is approximately 7,000. The boundaries of the District consist of the City of Oregon

throughout the year.

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*I go to nature every day for inspiration in the day's work.*

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*Study nature, Love nature, stay close to nature. It will never fail you.*

*~ Frank Lloyd Wright*

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*Our greatest asset, and the key to our success, is our people. We ARE a people business!*



## Board of Commissioners

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Steve Pennock  | President      |
| Mark Tremble   | Vice-President |
| Dave Bakener   | Commissioner   |
| Dan Engelkes   | Commissioner   |
| Scott Stephens | Commissioner   |



## Administrative Staff

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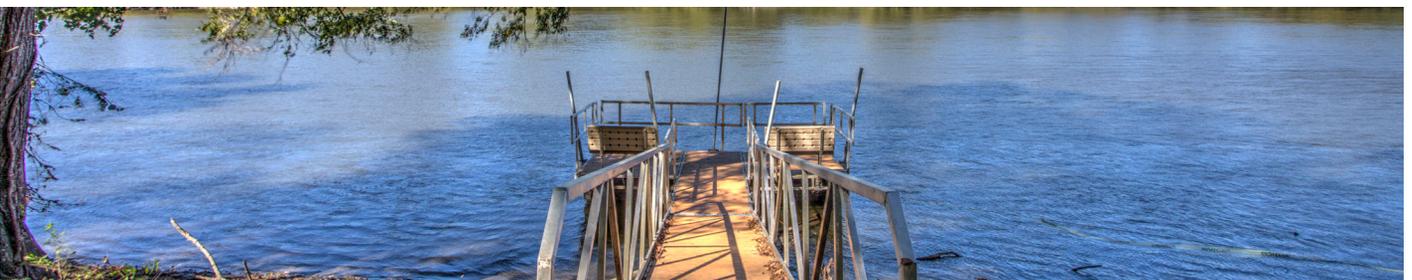
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# Tax Levy Introduction & Discussion

The Oregon Park District utilizes its annual Tax Levy Packet to help our community in understanding its impact on operations and overall footprint within the District.

## Tax Levy

The tax generated by the Oregon Park District is a calculation of the property tax levy, the property tax rate, and the equalized assessed value (EAV).

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{EAV multiplied by Tax Rate} \\ = \\ \text{Property Tax Revenue} \end{array}$$

The primary source of the District's tax base is the Exelon Generation Station. The 2011 tax year represented the final year of the previous real property tax assessment agreement. The budget and levy assumptions for the 2020 tax year will be directly impacted by future negotiations, the board of review, PTAB, and possible court decisions.

While the expected Equalized Assessed Value of the District is approximately 647 Million (early estimation established by the Assessment Office in September), the

- 1. The EAV of the Oregon Park District changes on an annual basis. The EAV is determined by the Ogle County Assessment Office.**
- 2. The District determines a property tax levy for each calendar tax year. The estimated levy as compared to the EAV determines the rate at which the property owners will be taxed.**
- 3. The desired levy of the District multiplied by the current EAV determines the Property Tax Revenue that will be received from the collection of taxes within the District boundaries.**

District will levy its Corporate and Recreation funds at a higher rate to capture any additional real estate revenue in the event that the EAV increases between the filing of the annual tax levy and final established EAV. The increased levy amount in the corporate and recreation funds is typically minimal.

The 2020 tax levy directly funds the Districts 2021 fiscal year. The County Treasurers office will collect the 2020 tax revenue in two installments (June and September) of 2021. The Park District will then receive its share of the tax revenue following those two collections.

The Oregon Park District will not complete the Truth in Taxation proceedings for the 2020 Tax Levy. Illinois Law requires local municipalities to publish a Truth in Taxation notice, as well as hold a public hearing, if the municipality considers levying property taxes greater than 5% of the preceding tax year's extension. The District estimates the 2020 tax year extension to be -3.08% greater than the preceding year's extension. The calculation to determine the Truth in Taxation rate does not include the Districts Debt Service Levy (General Obligation Bonds), which increases the overall extension to approximately 0.55% greater than the prior year.

The Districts overall tax receipts are expected to be greater than the 2019 tax year. The Districts overall EAV has increased, therefore allowing the District to collect more tax dollars while not increasing its tax rate. The Park District estimates that the typical Oregon Homeowner will not see a tax increase. See more information on the tax effect of

## OREGON PARK DISTRICT FUNDS

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>CORPORATE FUND</b>             | Taxes levied annually for the District's corporate purposes, such as administrative operations and park/building repairs and improvements. Authority: 70 ILCS 1205/5-1     |
| <b>RECREATION FUND</b>            | Taxes levied annually for the purpose of planning, establishing and maintaining recreational programming. Authority: 70 ILCS 1205/5-2                                      |
| <b>AUDIT FUND</b>                 | Taxes levied annually for the payment of the Districts annual audit. Authority: 50 ILCS 310/9  |
| <b>LIABILITY FUND</b>             | Taxes levied annually for the payment of liability insurance and risk management. Authority: 745 ILCS 10/9-107   |
| <b>IMRF FUND</b>                  | Taxes levied annually for expenses related to pension liabilities for personnel. Authority: 40 ILCS 5/7-171  |
| <b>SCHOLARSHIP FUND</b>           | Established to assist underprivileged youth participate in District programs. Fund does not consist of any tax revenue.  |
| <b>SOCIAL SECURITY FUND</b>       | Taxes levied annually for expenses related to employee liability expenses for Social Security and Medicare. Authority: 40 ILCS 5/7-170                                     |
| <b>POLICE FUND</b>                | Taxes levied annually to help support a safe parks system. Authority: 70 ILCS 1205/5-9   |
| <b>PAVING &amp; LIGHTING FUND</b> | Taxes levied annually for expenses related to maintaining lighting and pavement of District parks, roadways and facilities. Authority: 70 ILCS 1205/5-6                    |
| <b>BOND &amp; INTEREST FUND</b>   | Taxes levied annually for the payment of the Districts General Obligation Bonds. Authority: 70 ILCS 1205/6-6   |
| <b>PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>      | Established to assist the District in repairing and improving District properties. Revenue consists of General Obligation Bond receipts, grants and other dedicated funds. |

The Oregon Park District added an additional fund in 2018 titled 'Long Term Capital Replacement Fund'. The intent of this fund is to establish a long term maintenance fund for building and park improvement.





## 2020 Proposed Tax Levy Calculation Truth in Taxation Calculation & Homeowners Effect

|   | 2019 Final Rate<br>Setting EAV | 2019 Anticipated<br>Levy Amount | 2019<br>Levy Rate | 2020 Expected<br>EAV*  | 2020 Estimated<br>Levy Amt | 2020 Estimated<br>Levy Rate | % Change                  |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Fund Levies</b>                          |                                |                                 |                   |                        |                            |                             |                           |
| Corporate                                   | 644,588,275                    | 642,626                         | 0.0010000         | 647,802,113            | 647,802                    | 0.0010000                   | 0.81%                     |
| Recreation                                  | 644,588,275                    | 481,970                         | 0.0007500         | 647,802,113            | 485,852                    | 0.0007500                   | 0.81%                     |
| Audit                                       | 644,588,275                    | 19,986                          | 0.0000311         | 647,802,113            | 20,000                     | 0.0000309                   | 0.07%                     |
| Liability                                   | 644,588,275                    | 130,003                         | 0.0002023         | 647,802,113            | 100,000                    | 0.0001544                   | -23.08%                   |
| IMRF  | 644,588,275                    | 85,019                          | 0.0001323         | 647,802,113            | 95,000                     | 0.0001466                   | 11.74%                    |
| Social Security                             | 644,588,275                    | 90,032                          | 0.0001401         | 647,802,113            | 55,000                     | 0.0000849                   | -38.91%                   |
| Paving and Lighting                         | 644,588,275                    | 32,131                          | 0.0000500         | 647,802,113            | 32,390                     | 0.0000500                   | 0.81%                     |
| Police                                      | 644,588,275                    | 5,012                           | 0.0000078         | 647,802,113            | 5,000                      | 0.0000077                   | -0.25%                    |
| <b>Total Tax Levy Truth<br/>in Taxation</b> | -                              | 1,486,780                       | 0.0023136         | -                      | 1,441,044                  | 0.0022245                   | -3.08%                    |
| <b>Debt Service Levies</b>                  |                                |                                 |                   |                        |                            |                             |                           |
| Bond/Int - Cur Yr**                         | 644,588,275                    | 1,433,121                       | 0.0022301         | 647,802,113            | 1,495,000                  | 0.0023078                   | 4.32%                     |
| <b>Total Debt Service</b>                   |                                | 1,433,121                       | 0.0022301         |                        | 1,495,000                  | 0.0023078                   | 4.32%                     |
| <b>Total District Levy</b>                  | -                              | 2,919,901                       | 0.0045437         | -                      | 2,936,044                  | 0.0045323                   | 0.55%                     |
| <b>EAV Breakdown</b>                        |                                |                                 |                   |                        |                            |                             |                           |
|   | 2019 EAV                       | 2019 Levy<br>Amount             | 2019 Levy Rate    | 2020 Estimated<br>EAV* | 2020 Estimated<br>Levy Amt | 2020 Estimated<br>Levy Rate | % Change in<br>Collection |
| Exelon                                      | 503,088,717                    | 2,285,884                       | 0.0045437         | 503,343,408            | 2,281,311                  | 0.0045323                   | -0.20%                    |
| All Others                                  | 141,499,558                    | 642,932                         | 0.0045437         | 144,458,705            | 654,732                    | 0.0045323                   | 1.84%                     |
| Total / Difference                          | 644,588,275                    | 2,928,816                       | -                 | 647,802,113            | 2,936,044                  | -                           | 0.25%                     |

\* EAV Estimate received September 24, 2020 (Includes all Exelon properties within the District's boundaries)

\*\* Current Year GO Bond & Interest Levy is Estimated - Final Levy & Rate will be established in January/February of 2021



# 2020 Tax Effect on Homeowner

The Oregon Park District does not anticipate a tax increase to the average Oregon homeowner for the 2020 tax year.

## Homeowner Tax Levy

The Oregon Park District annually files its tax levy ordinance by the last Tuesday in December. The Ogle County Clerk then processes the District's tax rate along with all other taxing bodies within the homeowner's district. The Assessor's office totals the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) for each District. The County Clerk then calculates the tax rates and passes the billing along to the Treasurer's Office.

Adjacent is a typical Oregon Park District homeowner's tax bill for the 2019 tax year. Each taxing districts rate will be broken down for the homeowner. The total rate multiplied by homeowners EAV will determine their annual real estate taxes due. The assessor's office determines an individual property EAV. A property's EAV is approximately 1/3 of its respective fair market value.

The 2020 proposed tax levy calculation does not estimate an increase in the typical Oregon homeowner taxes payable to the Oregon Park District.

| <i><b>Governmental Body</b></i> | <i><b>2017 Tax Year</b></i> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ogle County                     | 0.75577                     |
| Oregon Fire Dist                | 0.82092                     |
| Community College               | 0.46975                     |
| School District                 | 5.66918                     |
| Library District                | 0.29345                     |
| Park District                   | 0.45437                     |
| Road District                   | 0.40868                     |
| Township District               | 0.21007                     |
| City of Oregon                  | 1.42110                     |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>10.5033</b>              |

$$EAV \times Tax Rate = Property Tax Bill$$

The District makes every effort to provide the best services possible, with the least amount of impact to the local taxpayers. While the District makes every attempt to balance its tax rate on an annual basis, slight fluctuations will occur. The Park Districts overall tax rate is estimated to be similar to last years (per \$100 of Equalized Assessed Value); therefore the typical Oregon homeowner is not expected to realize an increase in taxes payable to the Park District.

The Table below breaks down the real estate tax liability of a typical Oregon Homeowner. An individual property's EAV will fluctuate annually and be negatively or positively affected by the 'equalizer factor'. The County Assessor will annually determine a equalization factor that will impact every parcel in a particular township.

The Oregon Park District has done its best to help provide our residents with the best programming and facilities while attempting to keep its tax rates low. As seen below, the District's tax rate has remained stable, while many District's have been forced to increase their rates. The Park District's tax representation has regularly decreased in overall tax payer percentage over the last few years.

**2020 AVERAGE OREGON HOMEOWNERS TAX LIABILITY**

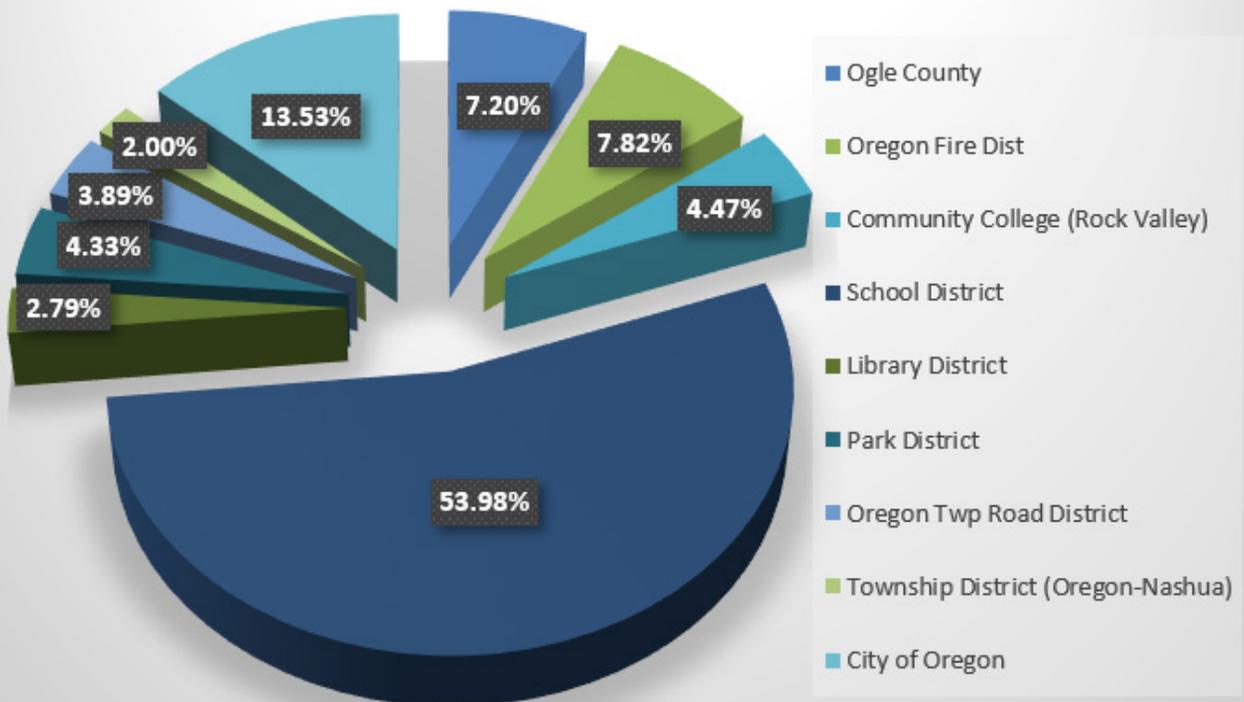
- \$120,000 - Median Home Price
- \$40,000 - Taxation EAV of 1/3 Fair Market Value
- \$6,000 - Less Homestead Exemption (max)
- \$32,000 - TAXABLE EAV

| YEAR  | TAX RATE | E.A.V.   | TAX PAYABLE |
|-------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 2019  | .0045437 | \$32,000 | \$154.49    |
| 2020* | .0045323 | \$32,000 | \$154.10    |



\* Estimated Tax Rate for the Oregon Park District

**2019 'TAX PIE'**



**ORDINANCE 20-12-08**

**ANNUAL LEVY ORDINANCE**  
**STATE OF ILLINOIS, PARK DISTRICT OF OREGON, COUNTY OF OGLE,**  
**BE IT ORDAINED**

In pursuance of authority vested in them by the Park District Code, Article Five, the Commissioners of the Park Board in meeting assembled, do hereby find and declare that there will be required to be raised by general taxation, the amounts hereinafter set down, to be levied upon all the taxable property in said Park District, in order to meet and defray all the necessary expenses and liability of the Park District as required by statute or voted by people in accordance with law, and the amounts so required are itemized as needed for uses and purposes as follows, to wit:

| <b>I. CORPORATE FUND</b>                                 | <b><u>2020</u></b> |
|--|--------------------|
| <u>Administration</u>                                    |                    |
| Salaries & Wages   | 233,000.00         |
| Employee Benefits  | 103,000.00         |
| Contract Services  | 31,000.00          |
| Utilities  | 38,000.00          |
| Supplies   | 21,000.00          |
| Repairs  | 4,500.00           |
| Building Improvements/Expenditures                       | 5,000.00           |
| <br><u>Parks</u>   |                    |
| Salaries & Wages   | 113,000.00         |
| Contract Services  | 46,000.00          |
| Utilities  | 21,000.00          |
| Maintenance Supplies                                     | 44,500.00          |
| <br>TOTAL FOR CORPORATE FUND                             | <br>660,000.00     |
| Said amounts are hereby levied as the Corporate Fund Tax |                    |

**II. RECREATION FUND**

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| <u>Building</u>      |            |
| Salaries & Wages     | 158,000.00 |
| Contract Services    | 18,000.00  |
| Utilities            | 29,000.00  |
| Maintenance Supplies | 15,250.00  |
| <br><u>Programs</u>  |            |
| Salaries & Wages     | 196,000.00 |

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Postage                | 2,800.00  |
| Printing & Publication | 14,000.00 |
| Other Services         | 15,500.00 |
| Recreation Supplies    | 46,450.00 |

TOTAL FOR RECREATION FUND 495,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as the Recreation Fund Tax

### III. AUDIT FUND

|       |           |
|-------|-----------|
| Audit | 20,000.00 |
|-------|-----------|

TOTAL FOR AUDIT FUND 20,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as the Audit Fund Tax

### IV. LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Property                 | 24,000.00 |
| General Liability        | 13,500.00 |
| Automobile               | 5,000.00  |
| Compensation             | 15,500.00 |
| Unemployment             | 16,000.00 |
| Risk Management Salaries | 26,000.00 |

TOTAL FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE 100,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as the Liability Insurance Fund Tax

### V. RETIREMENT FUND

|      |           |
|------|-----------|
| IMRF | 95,000.00 |
|------|-----------|

TOTAL FOR RETIREMENT FUND 95,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as the Retirement Fund Tax

### VI. SOCIAL SECURITY FUND

|                 |           |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Social Security | 55,000.00 |
|-----------------|-----------|

TOTAL FOR SOCIAL SECURITY FUND 55,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as Social Security Fund Tax

### VII. POLICE FUND

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Police System | 5,000.00 |
|---------------|----------|

TOTAL FOR POLICE FUND 5,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as Police System Tax

**VII. PAVING AND LIGHTING**

Paving and Lighting Fund 33,000.00

TOTAL FOR PAVING AND LIGHTING FUND 33,000.00  
Said amounts are hereby levied as the Paving and Lighting Fund Tax

SUMMARY OF TOTAL TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| CORPORATE           | 660,000.00   |
| RECREATION          | 495,000.00   |
| AUDIT               | 20,000.00    |
| LIABILITY INSURANCE | 100,000.00   |
| RETIREMENT          | 95,000.00    |
| SOCIAL SECURITY     | 55,000.00    |
| POLICE              | 5,000.00     |
| PAVING AND LIGHTING | 33,000.00    |
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|                     | 1,463,000.00 |

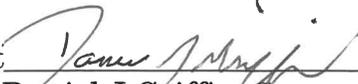
Making the aggregate sum of One Million, Four Hundred, Sixty Three Thousand Dollars to be raised by taxation and levied on all the taxable property in said Park District for 2020 tax year, in order to meet and defray all the necessary expenses and liability of the Park District as required by statute or voted by the people in accordance with law.

That the Secretary of the Oregon Park District shall file with the County Clerk of the County of Ogle, State of Illinois, a certified copy of this Ordinance no later than the last Tuesday in December, 2020.

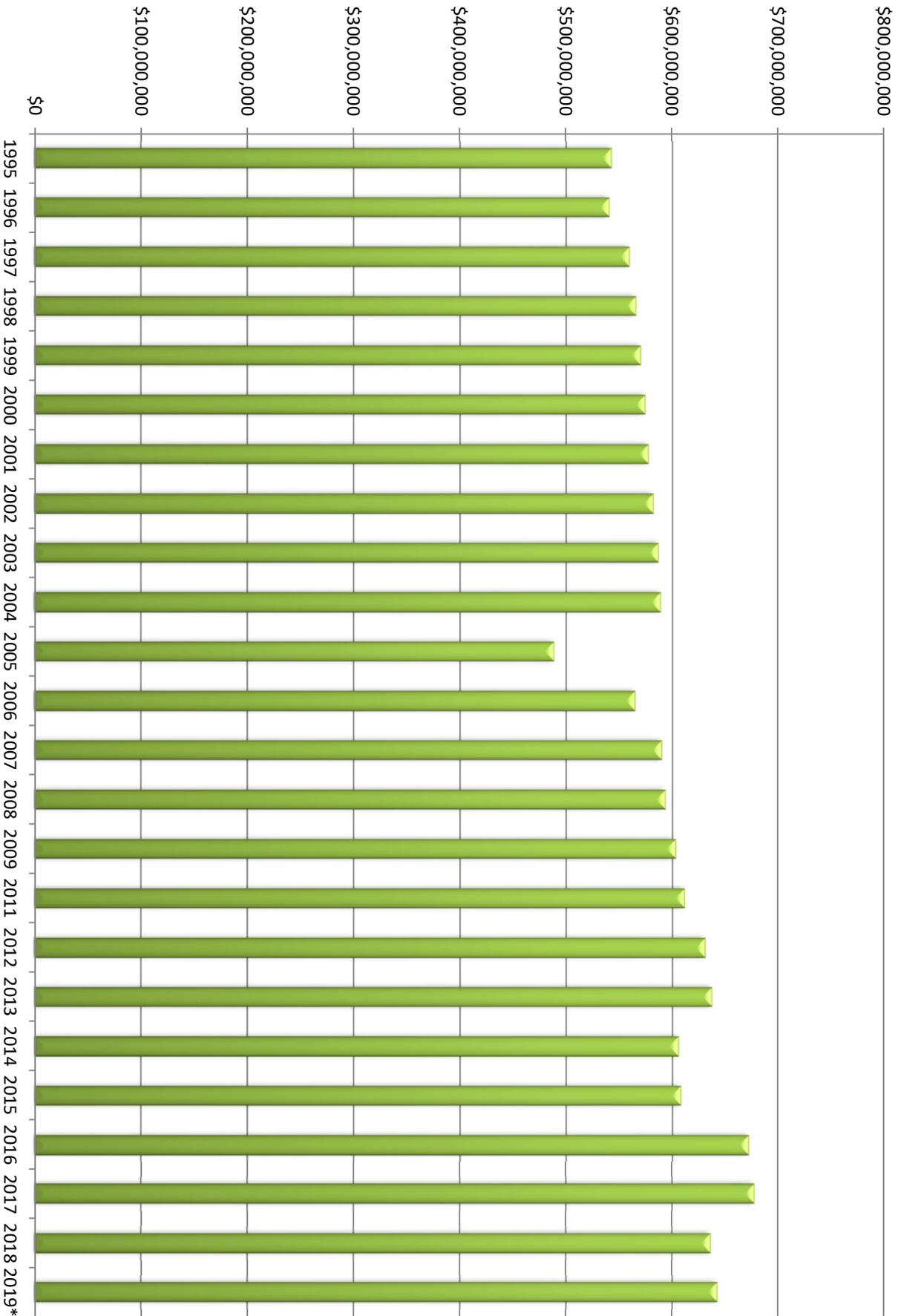
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval. Adopted this 8th day of December, 2020, to a roll call vote, as follows:

Ayes 4 Nays 0

  
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Steven M. Pennock, President  
Board of Commissioners  
Oregon Park Board

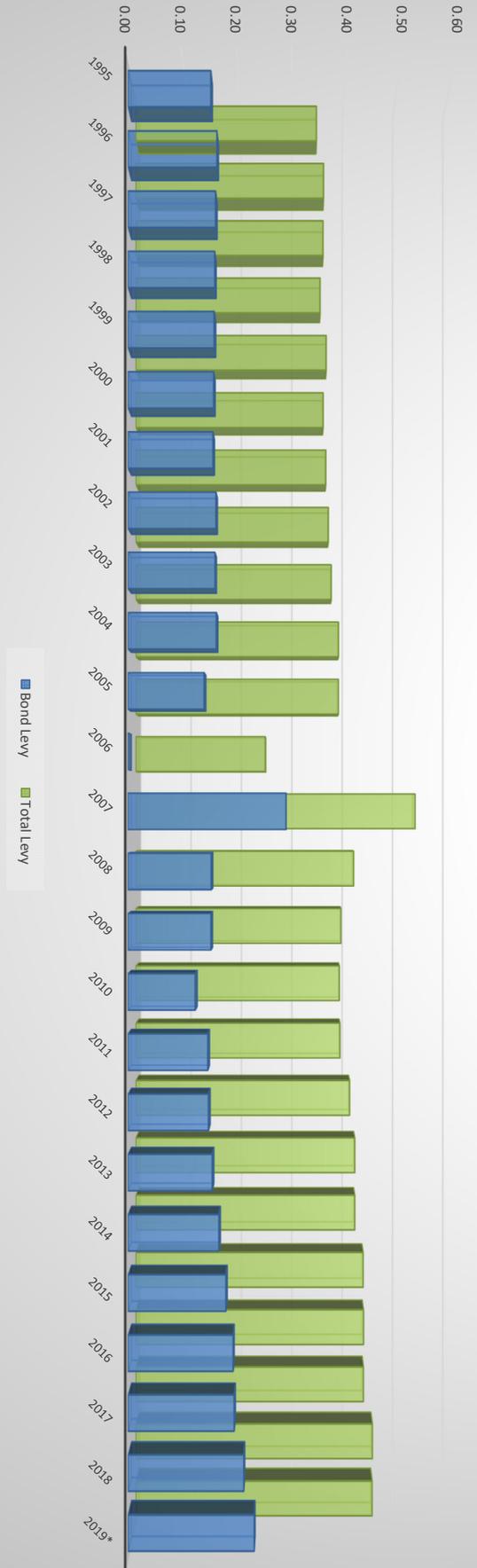
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Daniel J Griffin, Secretary

# EQUALIZED ASSESSED VALUE OF THE OREGON PARK DISTRICT

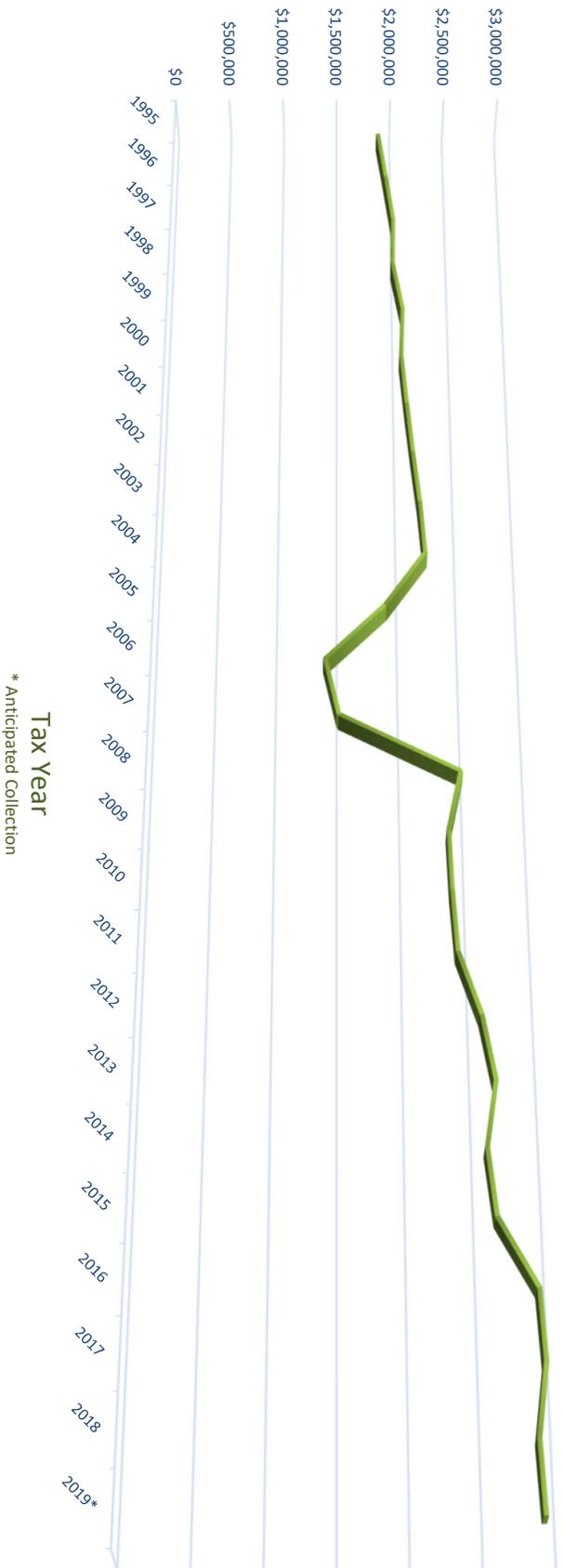


**TAX YEAR**  
\* Estimated EAV

### TAX LEVY RATE BY YEAR



### Tax Extension by Year



\* Anticipated Collection



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