2025-2026
STATE OF NEBRASKA
CITY/VILLAGE BUDGET FORM

CITY OF CRETE

TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
SALINE County

This budget is for the Period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026

Upon Filing, The Entity Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

The following **PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX** is requested for the ensuing year:

1,166,400.00	Property Taxes for Non-Bond Purposes
438,490.00	Principal and Interest on Bonds
1,604,890.00	**Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required**

528,163,016.00	**Total Certified Valuation (All Counties)**

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

County Clerk's Use ONLY

Projected Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of October 1, 2025
(As of the Beginning of the Budget Year)

Principal	16,675,781.54
Interest	3,261,466.09
Total Bonded Indebtedness	19,937,247.63

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[X] YES [ ] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by September 30th.*

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the Subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[ ] YES [X] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Trade Name Report by September 30th.*

APA Contact Information

Auditor of Public Accounts
PO Box 98917
Lincoln, NE 68509

Telephone: (402) 471-2111 **FAX:** (402) 471-3301

Website: auditors.nebraska.gov

Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov

Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-30-2025

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk

CITY OF CRETE in SALINE County

Line No.	Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers	Actual 2023 - 2024 (Column 1)	Actual/Estimated 2024 - 2025 (Column 2)	**Adopted Budget 2025 - 2026** (Column 3)
1	Net Cash Balance	16,837,102.00	13,265,582.76	10,094,224.76
2	Investments	6,042,189.00	6,000,000.00	6,050,000.00
3	County Treasurer's Balance	53,393.00	55,000.00	60,000.00
4	Beginning Balance Proprietary Function Funds **(Only If Page 6 is Used)**			-
5	**Subtotal of Beginning Balances (Lines 1 thru 4)**	**22,932,684.00**	**19,320,582.76**	**16,204,224.76**
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes **(Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)**	1,491,568.00	1,545,330.00	1,589,000.00
7	Federal Receipts	422,118.00	550,000.00	535,000.00
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	3,864.00	3,900.00	4,000.00
9				
10	State Receipts: Highway Allocation and Incentives	1,015,244.00	991,338.00	967,688.00
11	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Fee	67,356.51	60,000.00	65,000.00
12	State Receipts: State Aid			
13	State Receipts: Municipal Equalization Aid	813,352.00	807,010.00	776,946.00
14	State Receipts: Other	102,690.00		
15	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit			
16	Local Receipts: Nameplate Capacity Tax			
17	Local Receipts: Motor Vehicle Tax	124,678.00	125,000.00	125,000.00
18	Local Receipts: Local Option Sales Tax	2,539,028.00	2,600,000.00	2,700,000.00
19	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax			
20	Local Receipts: Other	15,443,746.00	16,000,000.00	16,000,000.00
21	Transfers In of Surplus Fees	350,004.00	600,000.00	600,000.00
22	Transfers In Other Than Surplus Fees	4,043,529.00	4,500,000.00	4,013,010.00
23	Proprietary Function Funds **(Only if Page 6 is Used)**			-
24	**Total Resources Available (Lines 5 thru 23)**	**49,349,861.51**	**47,103,160.76**	**43,579,868.76**
25	**Total Disbursements & Transfers (Line 22, Pg 3, 4 & 5)**	**30,029,278.75**	**30,898,936.00**	**40,864,816.25**
26	**Balance Forward/Cash Reserve (Line 24 MINUS Line 25)**	**19,320,582.76**	**16,204,224.76**	**2,715,052.51**
27	Cash Reserve Percentage			9%

PROPERTY TAX RECAP

Tax from Line 6	1,589,000.00
County Treasurer Commission at 1%	15,890.00
Total Property Tax Requirement	1,604,890.00

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Line No.	Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers	Actual 2023 - 2024 (Column 1)	Actual/Estimated 2024 - 2025 (Column 2)	**Adopted Budget 2025 - 2026** (Column 3)
1	Net Cash Balance	16,837,102.00	13,163,306.76	10,291,948.76
2	Investments	6,042,189.00	6,000,000.00	6,050,000.00
3	County Treasurer's Balance	53,393.00	55,000.00	60,000.00
4	Beginning Balance Proprietary Function Funds **(Only If Page 6 is Used)**			-
5	**Subtotal of Beginning Balances (Lines 1 thru 4)**	**22,932,684.00**	**19,218,306.76**	**16,401,948.76**
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes **(Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)**	1,491,568.00	1,545,330.00	1,589,000.00
7	Federal Receipts	422,118.00	550,000.00	535,000.00
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	3,864.00	3,900.00	4,000.00
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15	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit			
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18	Local Receipts: Local Option Sales Tax	2,539,028.00	2,600,000.00	2,700,000.00
19	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax			
20	Local Receipts: Other	15,443,746.00	16,000,000.00	16,000,000.00
21	Transfers In of Surplus Fees	350,004.00	600,000.00	600,000.00
22	Transfers In Other Than Surplus Fees	3,941,253.00	4,800,000.00	4,000,000.00
23	Proprietary Function Funds **(Only if Page 6 is Used)**			-
24	**Total Resources Available (Lines 5 thru 23)**	**49,247,585.51**	**47,300,884.76**	**43,764,582.76**
25	**Total Disbursements & Transfers (Line 22, Pg 3, 4 & 5)**	**30,029,278.75**	**30,898,936.00**	**40,864,816.25**
26	**Balance Forward/Cash Reserve (Line 24 MINUS Line 25)**	**19,218,306.76**	**16,401,948.76**	**2,899,766.51**
27	Cash Reserve Percentage			10%

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CITY OF CRETE in SALINE County

To Assist the County For Levy Setting Purposes

The Cover Page identifies the Property Tax Request between Principal & Interest on Bonds and All Other Purposes. If your municipality needs more of a breakdown for levy setting purposes, complete the section below.

Property Tax Request by Fund:

		Property Tax Request
General Fund	$	1,166,400.00
Bond Fund	$	438,490.00
_____ Fund		
_____ Fund		
Total Tax Request	** $	1,604,890.00

** This Amount should agree to the Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required on the Cover Page 1.

Cash Reserve Funds

Statute 13-503 says cash reserve means funds required for the period before revenue would become available for expenditure but shall not include funds held in any special reserve fund. If the cash reserve on Page 2 exceeds 50%, you can list below funds being held in a special reserve fund.

Special Reserve Fund Name	Amount
Total Special Reserve Funds	$ -
Total Cash Reserve	$ 2,899,766.51
Remaining Cash Reserve	$ 2,899,766.51
Remaining Cash Reserve %	10%

Documentation of Transfers of Surplus Fees:

(Only complete if Transfers of Surplus Fees Were Budgeted)

Please explain where the monies will be transferred from, where the monies will be transferred to, and the reason for the transfer.

Transfer From: Electric Utility — Transfer To: General Fund

Amount: $ 600,000.00

Reason: Occupancy & Franchise Fees

Transfer From: _____ — Transfer To: _____

Amount: _____

Reason:

Transfer From: _____ — Transfer To: _____

Amount:

Reason:

CITY OF CRETE in SALINE County

Line No.	2025-2026 ADOPTED BUDGET Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	3,789,500.00			730,816.75		4,013,010.00	8,533,326.75
3	Public Safety - Police	2,146,050.00		108,380.00				2,254,430.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	50,000.00		100,000.00				150,000.00
4	Public Safety - Other							-
5	Public Works - Streets	1,188,400.00		280,000.00	79,387.50			1,547,787.50
6	Public Works - Other	645,500.00		200,000.00				845,500.00
7	Public Health and Social Services	97,000.00						97,000.00
8	Culture and Recreation	1,283,712.00		25,000.00	249,628.00			1,558,340.00
9	Community Development	1,962,500.00						1,962,500.00
10	Miscellaneous	26,500.00						26,500.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport	151,850.00	170,000.00					321,850.00
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	12,505,600.00	1,500,000.00	300,000.00	135,603.00		600,000.00	15,041,203.00
16	Solid Waste							-
17	Transportation							-
18	Wastewater	1,855,000.00	1,350,000.00	50,000.00	690,221.00			3,945,221.00
19	Water	1,031,158.00	3,500,000.00	50,000.00				4,581,158.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds **(Page 6)**					-		-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers (Lns 2 thru 21)**	26,732,770.00	6,520,000.00	1,113,380.00	1,885,656.25	-	4,613,010.00	40,864,816.25

(A) **Operating Expenses** should include Personal Services, Operating Expenses, Supplies and Materials, and Equipment Rental.
(B) **Capital Improvements** should include acquisition of real property or acquisition, construction, or extension of any improvements on real property.
(C) **Other Capital Outlay** should include other items to be inventoried (i.e. equipment, vehicles, etc.).
(D) **Debt Service** should include Bond Principal and Interest Payments, Payments to Retirement Interest-Free Loans from NDA (Airports) and other debt payments.
(E) **Other** should include Judgments, and Proprietary Function Funds if a separate budget is filed.
(F) **Transfers** should include Transfers and Transfers of Surplus Fees

CITY OF CRETE in SALINE County

Line No.	2024-2025 ACTUAL/ESTIMATED Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	2,893,312.00			429,346.00		4,500,000.00	7,822,658.00
3	Public Safety - Police	2,622,021.00		70,000.00				2,692,021.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	612,524.00		251,730.00				864,254.00
4	Public Safety - Other							-
5	Public Works - Streets	472,424.00	479,656.00	102,821.00				1,054,901.00
6	Public Works - Other	875,284.00						875,284.00
7	Public Health and Social Services	109,679.00						109,679.00
8	Culture and Recreation	1,026,728.00			247,673.00			1,274,401.00
9	Community Development	586,937.00						586,937.00
10	Miscellaneous	22,583.00						22,583.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport	148,880.00						148,880.00
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	11,622,995.00		280,000.00	140,265.00		600,000.00	12,643,260.00
16	Solid Waste							-
17	Transportation							-
18	Wastewater	1,266,742.00			421,278.00			1,688,020.00
19	Water	1,116,058.00						1,116,058.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds							-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	23,376,167.00	479,656.00	704,551.00	1,238,562.00	-	5,100,000.00	30,898,936.00

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(E) **Other** should include Judgments, and Proprietary Function Funds if a separate budget is filed.

(F) **Transfers** should include Transfers and Transfers of Surplus Fees

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Line No.	2023-2024 ACTUAL Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	951,817.00	448,297.00		386,006.00		3,996,229.00	5,782,349.00
3	Public Safety - Police	2,045,900.00		60,103.00				2,106,003.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	1,009,839.00						1,009,839.00
4	Public Safety - Other							-
5	Public Works - Streets	894,138.00	1,203,180.00	-			47,300.00	2,144,618.00
6	Public Works - Other	110,748.00						110,748.00
7	Public Health and Social Services							-
8	Culture and Recreation	1,668,221.00		4,258.00	245,332.50			1,917,811.50
9	Community Development	822,708.00						822,708.00
10	Miscellaneous	161,272.00	122,387.00	96,944.00				380,603.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport	126,477.00	25,443.00					151,920.00
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	10,721,824.00			1,092,203.75		350,004.00	12,164,031.75
16	Solid Waste							-
17	Transportation							-
18	Wastewater	1,599,300.00			690,797.50			2,290,097.50
19	Water	1,148,550.00						1,148,550.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds							-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	21,260,794.00	1,799,307.00	161,305.00	2,414,339.75	-	4,393,533.00	30,029,278.75

(A) **Operating Expenses** should include Personal Services, Operating Expenses, Supplies and Materials, and Equipment Rental.

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2025-2026 SUMMARY OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS

NOTE: COMPLETE THIS PAGE ONLY IF A SEPARATE PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUND BUDGET IS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS ONLY

Funds (List)	Beginning Balance	Total Budget of Receipts	Total Budget of Disbursements	Cash Reserve
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-
	(Forward to Page 2, Line 4)	(Forward to Page 2, Line 23)	(Forward to Page 3, Line 21)	

NOTE: State Statute Section 13-504 requires a uniform summary of the proposed budget statement including each proprietary function fund included in a separate proprietary budget statement prepared pursuant to the Municipal Proprietary Function Act. Proprietary function shall mean a water supply or distribution utility, a waste-water collection or treatment utility, an electric generation, transmission, or distribution utility, a gas supply, transmission, or distribution utility, an integrated solid waste management collection, disposal, or handling utility, or a hospital or a nursing home owned by a municipality.

CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

NAME	**CITY OF CRETE**
ADDRESS	**243 EAST 13TH ST**
CITY & ZIP CODE	**CRETE NE 68333**
TELEPHONE	**402-826-4313**
WEBSITE	**www.crete.ne.gov**

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	DAVID BAUER	WENDY THOMAS	WENDY THOMAS
TITLE /FIRM NAME	MAYOR	FINANCE DIRECTOR	FINANCE DIRECTOR
TELEPHONE	402-826-4313	402-826-6408	402-826-6408
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For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please √ one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- [ ] Board Chairperson
- [X] Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- [ ] Preparer

CITY OF CRETE

2025-2026 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY COMPUTATION FORM

Calculation of Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority

2024-2025 Total Property Tax Request *(from prior year budget - Cover Page submitted to the State Auditor)*	(1)	**$ 1,545,330.00**	
Less: Prior Year Exceptions Utilized *(Will all be zero for 2025-2026 budget because first year of new cap)*			
Approved Bonds *(prior year line 16)*	(2)	-	
Emergency Response *(prior year line 17)*	(3)	-	
Public Safety Services *(prior year line 18)*	(4)	-	
County Attorneys *(prior year line 19)*	(5)	-	
County Public Defenders *(prior year line 20)*	(6)	-	
Response to Public Safety Threat *(prior year line 21)*	(7)	-	
Public Safety Interlocal Agreements *(prior year line 22)*	(8)	-	
Voter Approved Increase *(prior year line 23)*	(9)	-	
Unused authority used in the prior year *(prior year line 24)*	(10)	-	
TOTAL Prior Year Exceptions Utilized (total line 2 thru 10)	**(11)**	**-**	
Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority (line 1 - line 11)		(12)	**1,545,330.00**

Allowed Increases to Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority

2024 Property Taxes Levied (per Taxes Levied Reports from Department of Revenue)			1,545,749.27
See instructions below for where to find this amount			(13)
Growth Percentage per County Assessor			
8,499,055.00 / 450,968,476.00 =		1.88%	
2025 Growth Value / 2024 Total Valuation		(14a)	29,131.54
(Line 14 equals Line 13 minus line 2 & 3, multiplied by line 14a)			Increase due to Growth (14)
Inflation Percentage		5.17%	
(Line 15 equals Line 13 minus line 2 & 3, multiplied by line 15a)		(15a)	79,915.24
			Increase due to Inflation (15)
Allowable Exceptions Utilized (§ 13-3404)			
2025-2026 Property Taxes Budgeted For:			
Approved Bonds *(Cannot exceed property tax request for principal & interest on bonds on cover page (page 1))*	(16)	438,490.00	
Response to a declared emergency in the prior year & certified to the Auditor *(Must agree to total on Schedule 2)*	(17)	-	
Public Safety Services, as defined in §13-320 *(Must agree to total on Schedule 3)*	(18)	-	
County Attorneys	(19)	-	
County Public Defenders	(20)	-	
Support of service relating to an imminent & significant threat to public safety that was not previously provided by the political subdivision & is the subject of an agreement or modification of an existing agreement executed after 8/21/2024	(21)	-	
Support of an interlocal agreement relating to public safety	(22)	200,000.00	
Voter approved increase pursuant to § 13-3405 *(MUST attach sample ballot language and certified election results)*	(23)	-	
Prior Year's Unused Property Tax Request Authority used this year *(Cannot exceed amount on Supporting Schedule 1, line 1)*	(24)	10,582.74	
Total Exceptions Utilized *(Total lines 16 thru 24)*		(25)	**649,072.74**
2025-2026 Total Property Tax Request Authority *(Total lines 12, 14, 15, 25)*		(26)	**2,303,449.52**
2025-2026 ACTUAL Property Tax Request *(from Cover Page - Page 1)*		(27)	1,604,890.00
Unused Property Tax Request Authority Created for Future Years *(To Schedule 1, line 3)* *(Line 26 - Line 27, MUST be greater than or equal to $0.00)*		(28)	**698,559.52**

CITY OF CRETE

2025-2026 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY SUPPORTING SCHEDULES

Schedule 1 - Calculation of Unused Property Tax Request Authority Carryforward

	Line No.	
Converted 2024-2025 Unused Restricted Funds Authority *(See instructions below for how to determine this amount)*	(1)	$ 10,582.74
Less: Amount used this year *(from Computation Form, line 24) (cannot exceed line 1)*	(2)	10,582.74
Add: Unused Authority created this year *(from Computation Form, line 28)*	(3)	698,559.52
Total Unused Property Tax Request Authority available for future years ***(cannot be less than $0.00)***	(4)	698,559.52

Schedule 2 - DECLARED EMERGENCY EXCEPTION CERTIFICATION

If using a declared emergency response exception on the Property Tax Request Authority Computation Form, line 17, the following must be completed. Additionally, supporting documentation for the emergency declaration must be attached to the budget submission if the emergency was declared by the principal executive of the local government.

Description of Emergency (Column A)	Date of Emergency Declaration (Column B)	Emergency Declared by Who? (Column C)	Amount Used as Exception (Column D)
			$ -
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
Total Emergency Response Exception *(must agree to Computation Form, line 17)*			-

Schedule 3 - DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES EXCEPTION

If using a public safety services exception on the Property Tax Request Authority Computation Form, line 18, the following must be completed:

Description of Public Safety Services Exception (Column A)	Amount Used as Exception (Column B)
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
Total Public Safety Exception *(must agree to Computation Form, line 18)*	-

Municipality Levy Limit Form

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Municipality Levy				
Personal and Real Property Tax Request	(1)		1,604,890.00	
Judgments (Not Paid by Liability Insurance)	(2)	0.00		
Pre-Existing Lease - Purchase Contracts-7/98	(3)	0.00		
Bonded Indebtedness	(4)	438,490.00		
Interest Free Financing (Public Airports)	(5)	0.00		
Benefits Paid Under Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act	(6)	0.00		
Total Levy Exemptions	(7)		438,490.00	
Tax Request Subject to Levy Limit	(8)		1,166,400.00	
Valuation	(9)		528,163,016	
Municipality Levy Subject to Levy Authority	(10)		0.220841	
Levy Authority Allocated to Others-				
Airport Authority	(11)		0.000000	
Community Redevelopment Authority	(12)		0.000000	
Transit Authority	(13)		0.000000	
Off Street Parking District Valuation	(14)			
Off Street Parking District Levy (Statute 77-3443(2))	(15)	0.000000	0.000000	
Other	(16)		0.000000	
Total Levy for Compliance Purposes	(17)		0.220841	**(A)**
Levy Authority				
Municipality Levy Limit	(18		0.450000	
Municipality property taxes designated for interlocal agreements	(19)	720,590.00	0.050000	
Total Municipality Levy Authority	(20)		0.500000	**(B)**
Voter Approved Levy Override	(21)		0.000000	**(C)**

Note: (A) must be less than the greater of (B) or (C) to be in compliance with the Statutes

This Form is to be completed to ensure compliance with the levy limits established in State Statute Section 77-3442. The levy limit applicable to municipalities is 45 cents plus 5 cents for interlocal agreements.

State Statute Section 86-416 allows for a special tax to fund Public Safety Communication projects, the tax has the same status as bonded indebtedness. State Statute 72-2301 through 72-2308 allows bonds to be issued for Public Facilities Construction Projects. Amounts should be included as Bonded Indebtedness on Line 7 above.

A municipality may exceed the limits in State Statute Section 77-3442 by completing the requirements of State Statute Section 77-3444 (Election or Townhall Meeting). **If an amount is entered on Line 21, a sample ballot and election results MUST be submitted with budget. If voter approved override was completed at a Townhall Meeting, minutes of that meeting, and a list of registered voters in the municipality must be submitted.** Please refer to the statutes to ensure all requirements are met.

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2025-2026 ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE COMPUTATION FORM

YES ☐ **This budget is for a VILLAGE; therefore the allowable growth provisions of the Property Tax Request Act DO NOT apply.**

CALCULATION OF ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE

Prior Year Total Property Tax Request (1) 1,545,330.00
*(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from **prior year** budget - Cover Page)*

Base Limitation Percentage Increase (2%) 2.00 % (2)

Real Growth Percentage Increase

8,499,055.00	/	450,968,476.00	=	1.88 %	(3)
2025 Real Growth Value per Assessor		Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation per Assessor			

Total Allowable Growth Percentage Increase (Line 2 + Line 3) (4) 3.88 %

Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Property Tax Request (Line 1 x Line 4) (5) 59,958.80

TOTAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST (Line 1 + Line 5) (6) **1,605,288.80**
(Without needing to attend Joint Public Hearing, or be included on postcard notification)

ACTUAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

2025-2026 ACTUAL Total Property Tax Request (7) 1,604,890.00
(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from Cover Page)

Property Tax Request is within allowable growth percentage. Political subdivision is NOT required to complete postcard notification requirements, or participate in the joint public hearing.

If line (7) is **greater than** line (6), your political subdivision **is required** to participate in the joint public hearing, and complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You must provide your information to the County Assessor electronically by September 4th. You are not required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632. The joint public hearing is completed in lieu of this hearing.

If line (7) is **less than** line (6), your political subdivision **is not required** to participate in the joint public hearing, or complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You are required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632.

REPORT OF JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025

CITY OF CRETE — SALINE County

SUBDIVISION NAME — COUNTY

Parties to Agreement (Column 1)	Agreement Period (Column 2)	Description (Column 3)
Saline County Mutual Finance Organization	07/01/16 to indefinate	Fire and Rescue Equipment
Saline County Rural Fire District (Highland)	07/01/16 to indefinate	Fire and Rescue Services
Southeast Nebraska Development District	07/01/23 to 06/30/27	Economic and Community Development Services
League Association of Risk Management	10/01/23 to 09/30/26	Risk Management and Coverage Services
NMPP Energy & Municipal Agency of Nebraska	04/01/1981 to 03/31/38	Wholesale Electricity and Related Services
Seward/Saline County Waste Area Management Agency	07/01/1993 to indefinate	Solid Waste Disposal Site
Crete Public Schools	02/01/23 to 01/31/28	School Resource Officer
Saline County	10/01/24 to 09/30/26	911 Dispatch Services

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE AND GROWTH VALUE

{format for all counties and cities.}

TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

CRETE CITY

TO:

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF: SALINE

Name of Political Subdivision	Subdivision Type (County or City)	Growth Value *	Total Taxable Value	Prior Year Total Property Valuation	Growth Percentage [b]
CRETE CITY	City/Village	8,499,055	528,163,016	450,968,476	1.88

** Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3402 and § 77-1631 which includes (a) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (b) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (c) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, (d) a change in the use of real property, (e) any increase in personal property valuation over the prior year, and (f) the accumulated excess valuation over the redevelopment project valuation described in section 18-2147 of the Community Redevelopment Law for redevelopment projects within the political subdivision in the year immediately after the division of taxes for such redevelopment project has ended.*

Note: Growth Value and Real Growth Value mean the same when referring to the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act and the Property Tax Request Act.

[b] Growth Percentage is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 and is equal to the political subdivision's Growth Value divided by the political subdivision's total property valuation from the prior year.

I **BRANDI KELLY** **SALINE** County Assessor hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 13-509 and 13-518.

SALINE COUNTY NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSOR

Brandi Kelly
(signature of county assessor)

August 19, 2025
(date)

CC: County Clerk, SALINE County
CC: County Clerk where district is headquartered, if different county, _____ County

Note to political subdivision: A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document.

Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2025)

Assessor's Use Only

23,653,573 Pers Prior
22,228,486 Pers Value

427,314,903 Real Prior
505,934,530 Real Value

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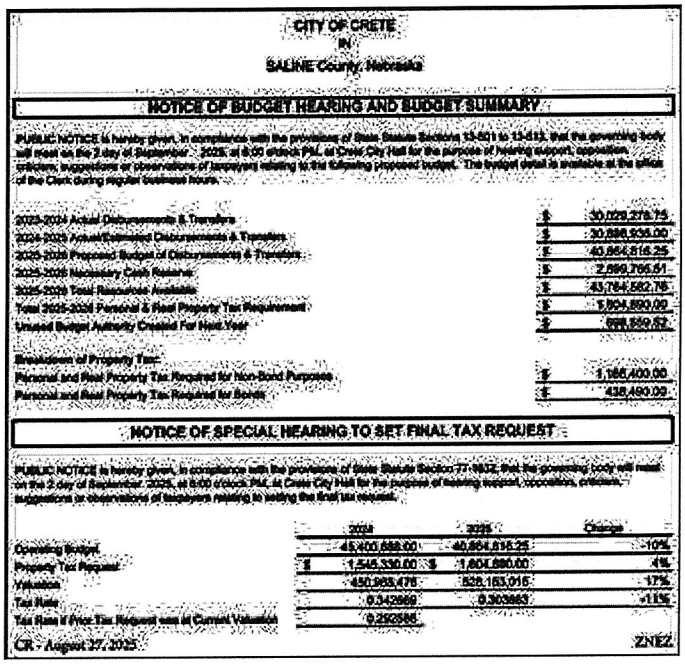
STATE OF NEBRASKA
Saline County,

Amy E. Hausman being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the editor of THE CRETE NEWS, a legal weekly newspaper printed and published at Crete in Saline County, NE, and of general circulation in said County and State; that said newspaper has a bona fide circulation of more than 300 copies weekly, in said County; and, has been published in said County for more than 52 successive weeks prior to the first publication of the attached notice, that the attached notice of "*2025 BUDGET HEARING & SUMMARY*" was published in said newspaper for **1** consecutive week(s) commencing with the issue of **8/27/2025**.

Amy E. Hausman, Editor

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this date of **8/27/2025**

Notary Public



CITY OF CRETE
IN
SALINE County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 2 day of September, 2025, at 6:00 o'clock PM, at Crete City Hall for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2023-2024 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$ 30,029,278.75
2024-2025 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$ 30,886,935.00
2025-2026 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$ 40,864,816.25
2025-2026 Necessary Cash Reserve	$ 2,899,766.51
2025-2026 Total Resources Available	$ 43,764,582.76
Total 2025-2026 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$ 1,804,880.00
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$ 899,580.82
Breakdown of Property Tax:	
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$ 1,366,400.00
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$ 438,480.00

NOTICE OF SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 2 day of September, 2025, at 6:00 o'clock PM, at Crete City Hall for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

	2024	2025	Change
Operating Budget	35,400,668.00	40,864,816.25	15%
Property Tax Request	$ 1,545,330.00	$ 1,804,880.00	4%
Valuation	450,965,476	528,153,016	17%
Tax Rate	0.342660	0.303663	-11%
Tax Rate if Prior Tax Request was at Current Valuation	0.292585		

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Name	CITY OF CRETE
Order Number	164451
Order Date	8/21/2025
Number of Issues	1
Publication Count	1
First Issue	8/27/2025
Last Issue	8/27/2025
Order Price	$157.50
Publications	*CRETE NEWS
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GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
PAMELA J CALLAHAN
My Comm. Exp. September 27, 2028

CITY OF CRETE

IN

SALINE County, Nebraska

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2023-2024 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$	30,029,278.75
2024-2025 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$	30,898,936.00
2025-2026 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$	40,864,816.25
2025-2026 Necessary Cash Reserve	$	2,899,766.51
2025-2026 Total Resources Available	$	43,764,582.76
Total 2025-2026 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$	1,604,890.00
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$	698,559.52

Breakdown of Property Tax:

Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$	1,166,400.00
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$	438,490.00

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	2024	2025	Change
Operating Budget	45,400,688.00	40,864,816.25	-10%
Property Tax Request	$ 1,545,330.00	$ 1,604,890.00	4%
Valuation	450,968,476	528,163,016	17%
Tax Rate	0.342669	0.303863	-11%
Tax Rate if Prior Tax Request was at Current Valuation	0.292586		

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-16

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the City of Crete passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held on September 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRETE NEBRASKA:**

1. The 2025-2026 property tax request be set at:

General Fund:	$	1,166,400.00
Bond Fund:	$	438,490.00

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 17.12 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.292586 per $100 of assessed value.

4. The City of Crete proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.303863 per $100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the City of Crete will decrease from last year's budget by 9.99 percent.

6. A copy of this resolution will be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2025.

Approved this 16th of September, 2025.

Motion by Dale Strehle, seconded by Dan Papik to adopt Resolution # 2025-16.

Voting yes were:

Ashley Z Newman
Thomas Crisman
Dan Papik

Voting no were:

Dated this 16th day of September, 2025

David Bauer
Mayor
Attest: Nancy Kelley

SEAL OF THE CITY OF CRETE SALINE COUNTY NEBRASKA


SEAL OF THE CITY OF OREFT
SALINE
COUNTY
NEBRASKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2259

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the as the Annual Appropriations Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026.

Section 2. That all sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Crete.

Section 3. That a copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts and to the Saline County Clerk for use by the levying authority.

Section 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be repealed and that any partial repeal shall not affect the other parts of ordinances that can be given effect without the repealed parts.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be published in pamphlet or book form and shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication, as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED the 16th day of September, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

SEAL OF THE CITY OF CRETE SALINE COUNTY NEBRASKA


SEAL OF THE CITY OF GALENA
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NEBRASKA

CRETE NEBRASKA Community in Motion

CITY COUNCIL BUDGET HEARING

September 2nd, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the attached notice, at the following locations:

City Hall, 243 East 13th Street
Post Office, 1242 Linden Avenue
City Bank and Trust, 1135 Main Avenue

Advance notice of the meeting was also given to committee members. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska, in the back of the council chambers. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll Call

Dale Strehle:	Absent
Tom Crisman:	Present
Anthony Fitzgerald:	Present
Kyle Frans:	Present
Ashley Newmyer:	Present
Dan Papik:	Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

3. Items of Business

3.A. Public Hearing for testimony in support of and/or opposition to the proposed budget and property tax request for fiscal year 2025-2026.

- The hearing was opened to hear testimony in favor of or opposition to the proposed Budget Summary and Final Property Tax Request for fiscal year 2025-2026.City Administrator

Tom Ourada reviewed the forms that have been prepared to submit to the State Auditor of Public Accounts. The highlights of the Proposed Budget are as follows:

- Operating Budget for 2024 was $45,400,688.00 and for 2025 it is $40,884,816.25 a decrease of 10%
- Property Tax Request for 2024 was $1,545,330,00 and for 2025 it is $1,604,890.00 an increase of 4%
- Valuation in 2024 was $450,968,476 and for 2025 it is $528,163,016 an increase of 17%
- Tax Rate in 2024 was 0.342669 and for 2025 it is 0.303863 a decrease of 11%
- Went over the General Fund Transfer Summary sheet.
- Mayor Dave Bauer thanked City Administrator Tom Ourada, Finance Director Wendy Thomas, and all the Department Heads for lowering their budgets and making the budget work.

The hearing closed at 6:18 pm

Opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 p.m. for testimony in support of and/or opposition to the proposed budget and property tax request for fiscal year 2025-2026. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.
Tom Crisman: Aye, Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

Closed the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m. for testimony in support of and/or opposition to the proposed budget and property tax request for fiscal year 2025-2026. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.
Tom Crisman: Aye, Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

4. Petitions - Communications - Resident Concerns

5. Officers' Reports

6. Adjournment

The Crete City Council Budget Hearing closed at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor

SEAL OF THE CITY OF CRETE SALINE COUNTY NEBRASKA
(SEAL)

City Clerk

I, Nancy Tellez, City Clerk for the City of Crete, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Council Chambers. I certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the City Council. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the City Council were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

Nancy Tellez

City Clerk (S E A L)

SEAL OF THE CITY OF CRETE SALINE COUNTY NEBRASKA


SEAL OF THE CITY OF CRETE
SALINE
COUNTY
NEBRASKA

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

September 16th, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

EXCERPT OF MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Crete, Nebraska was held at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 16th, 2024, in the City Council Chambers at 243 East 13th Street, in the City, the same being open to the public and preceded by advance publicized notice duly given in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 84, Article 14, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, stating (a) the time, date and place of the meeting; (b) that the meeting would be open to the attendance of the public; and (c) that an agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the offices of the City Clerk. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and each member of the Council. Additionally, reasonable efforts were made to provide advance notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to all news media requesting the same.

The Mayor, Dave Bauer, presided, and the City Clerk, Nancy Tellez recorded the proceedings. On roll call the following Council Members were present: Tom Crisman, Dale Strehle, Dan Papik, and Ashley Newmyer. Absent: Kyle Frans and Anthony Fitzgerald A quorum being present and the meeting duly commenced, the following proceedings were had and done while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

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(Omitted Proceedings)

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4.G. Consider Resolution 2025-16: A resolution setting the amount of property tax request for fiscal year 2025-2026

Adopt Resolution 2025-16: A resolution setting the amount of property tax request for fiscal year 2025-2026 Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Dan Papik.
Tom Crisman: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

4.H. Consider Ordinance 2259 adopting the budget statement as the annual appropriation bill

Introduced Ordinance 2259 and moved that the statutory rule requiring three separate readings be suspended Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Dan Papik.
Tom Crisman: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

Enact Ordinance 2259 adopting the budget statement as the annual appropriation bill Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Dan Papik.
Tom Crisman: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

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(Omitted Proceedings)

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA

(SEAL)



By: _____
City Clerk