

CITY COUNCIL REPORT



Meeting Date: 06/09/2026
Charter Provision: *Provide for the orderly government and administration of the affairs of the City*
Objective: *Adopt Budgets*

ACTION

Public Hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2026/27 Municipal Streetlight Improvement District Expenses and Property Tax Levy (by District).

- 1) SOLICIT public testimony on the proposed fiscal year 2026/27 Municipal Streetlight Improvement District expenses and tax levy; and
- 2) APPROVE a motion to adopt the annual statements and estimates of expenses and levy the proposed fiscal year 2026/27 Municipal Streetlight Improvement District taxes, by district. Taxes will be assessed by ordinance on June 23, 2026.

BACKGROUND

The City's Streetlight Improvement Districts (Districts) were established beginning in 1971 to allow property owners within benefiting areas to pay for the operation of public streetlights. The City currently has 357 Districts, each formed by petition of property owners for the sole purpose of purchasing electricity for the lighting of public streets.

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 48-616 requires the City Council to make annual statements and estimates of District expenses and to adopt an ordinance levying a Special Taxing District property tax sufficient to pay the operating expenses of each District. The ordinance is transmitted to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors and the Maricopa County Assessor to add the required amounts to property tax bills for each District. When collected, levy amounts are remitted to the City and used exclusively to pay District utility bills.

For fiscal year 2026/27, the streetlight levies are calculated based on estimated energy costs. The proposed property tax levies for all Districts total \$642,566, an increase of \$64,140 from fiscal year 2025/26.

As required by A.R.S. § 42-17103 *et seq.*, a public hearing must be held before levying taxes for the Districts. In accordance with A.R.S. § 42-17103, the City published a Public Hearing Notice regarding the tax levy for the Districts, along with annual statements and estimates of fiscal year 2026/27 expenses, in the local newspaper once a week for two consecutive weeks on Saturday, May 23, 2026, and Saturday, May 30, 2026.

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The City posted and filed with the City Clerk a notice of the proposed increased District property tax levy for fiscal year 2026/27 with the schedule of the tax levy and written report supporting the possible increase on April 22, 2026, which is 60 days before City Council considers whether to adopt Ordinance No. 4715.

Adoption of Ordinance No. 4715 on June 23, 2026, will assess a property tax levy for all Districts totaling \$642,566, consistent with the Adopted Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget.

ANALYSIS & ASSESSMENT

The cost of operating each District varies based on electricity rates, usage, and the number of streetlights. Electrical service is provided by either Salt River Project or Arizona Public Service, each with differing rates. As a result, property taxes levied differ by District. A total of 357 separate property tax calculations are required, representing approximately 33,970 properties.

RESOURCE IMPACTS

Utility bills for the Districts are paid by the property tax levy. The total levy for fiscal year 2026/27 is \$642,566.

OPTIONS & STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Approach:

A.R.S. § 48-616 and the City Charter require the City Council to make annual statements and estimates of District expenses and to adopt an ordinance annually to levy the tax needed to recoup streetlight operating costs.

Staff recommends that Council discuss the proposed fiscal year 2026/27 Municipal Streetlight Improvement District statements and estimates of expenses and tax levy (by district), and approve a motion to adopt the annual statements and estimates and levy the proposed taxes, which will be assessed by ordinance on June 23, 2026.

Alternatively, Council may approve a motion adopting a lesser tax levy.


RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT(S)

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5/22/26

Date

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Levy by District
2. Map of Streetlight Districts

FOR EACH STREETLIGHT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT LISTED HEREUNDER, the proposed levy on each \$100 of the assessed value of all property, both real and personal, within the boundaries of said district, except such property as may by law be exempt from taxation, shall be a tax rate sufficient to raise the amount listed opposite the Streetlight District number. The purpose of the tax rate shall be to provide a fund for the annual expenses of each Streetlight Improvement District listed hereunder, for the fiscal year ending the 30th day of June 2027 with an aggregate total of \$642,566:

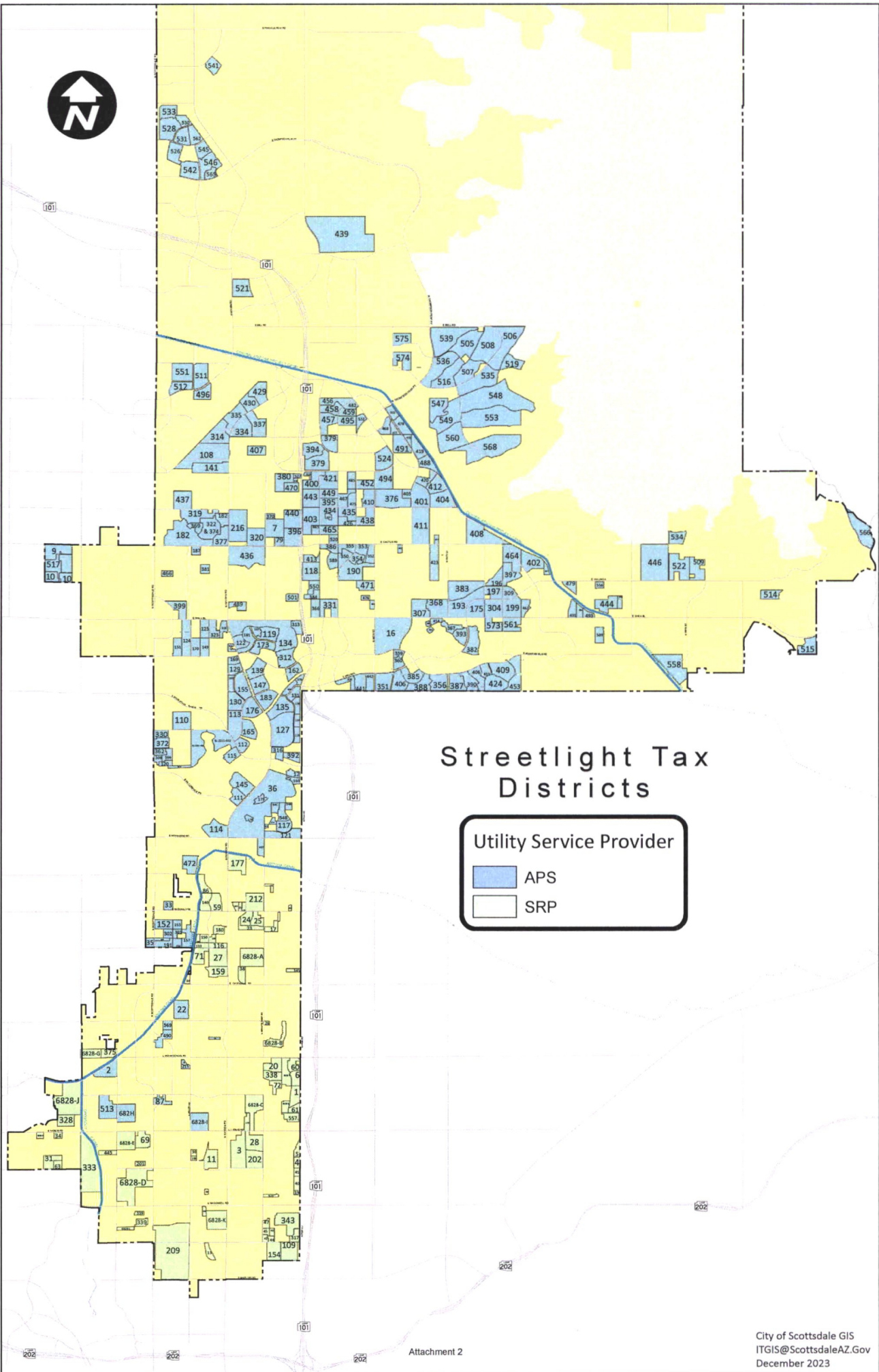
STREETLIGHT DISTRICT	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE RAISED (in \$)	STREETLIGHT DISTRICT	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE RAISED (in \$)
SL-7104-1	1,583	SL-7104-45	531
SL-7104-2	4,187	SL-7104-46	418
SL-7104-3	3,540	SL-7104-47	459
SL-7104-4	507	SL-7104-59	1,446
SL-7104-5	733	SL-7104-60	2,017
SL-7104-6	964	SL-7104-61	1,267
SL-7104-7	1,107	SL-7104-63	308
SL-7104-9	370	SL-7104-69	1,590
SL-7104-11	1,577	SL-7104-70	612
SL-7104-13	1,039	SL-7104-71	843
SL-7104-14	167	SL-7104-72	742
SL-7104-16	4,625	SL-7104-79	452
SL-7104-17	530	SL-7104-84	693
SL-7104-19	207	SL-7104-86	421
SL-7104-20	1,376	SL-7104-92	1,978
SL-7104-22	6,168	SL-7104-96	197
SL-7104-23	952	SL-7104-105	317
SL-7104-24	420	SL-7104-108	2,693
SL-7104-25	628	SL-7104-109	2,694
SL-7104-26	212	SL-7104-110	4,322
SL-7104-27	677	SL-7104-111	2,802
SL-7104-28	2,012	SL-7104-112	947
SL-7104-30	210	SL-7104-113	2,431
SL-7104-31	638	SL-7104-114	3,055
SL-7104-33	1,590	SL-7104-115	1,720
SL-7104-34	210	SL-7104-116	1,059
SL-7104-35	555	SL-7104-117	2,446
SL-7104-36	24,184	SL-7104-118	2,065
SL-7104-38	106	SL-7104-119	2,236
SL-7104-40	954	SL-7104-120	404
SL-7104-41	588	SL-7104-121	1,859
SL-7104-42	539	SL-7104-122	1,847
SL-7104-44	645	SL-7104-123	272

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SL-7104-124	2,879	SL-7104-173	1,613
SL-7104-125	2,120	SL-7104-174	216
SL-7104-127	6,316	SL-7104-175	2,764
SL-7104-128	424	SL-7104-176	3,466
SL-7104-129	1,694	SL-7104-177	3,142
SL-7104-130	2,825	SL-7104-178	231
SL-7104-131	2,660	SL-7104-179	571
SL-7104-133	882	SL-7104-180	1,380
SL-7104-134	5,147	SL-7104-181	1,182
SL-7104-135	2,047	SL-7104-182	2,899
SL-7104-136	523	SL-7104-183	2,997
SL-7104-137	635	SL-7104-184	471
SL-7104-138	1,192	SL-7104-185	743
SL-7104-139	2,846	SL-7104-186	286
SL-7104-140	1,385	SL-7104-187	2,545
SL-7104-141	1,149	SL-7104-188	352
SL-7104-143	529	SL-7104-190	4,642
SL-7104-145	3,449	SL-7104-191	845
SL-7104-147	2,968	SL-7104-193	3,626
SL-7104-149	1,581	SL-7104-194	104
SL-7104-150	955	SL-7104-196	3,054
SL-7104-151	1,691	SL-7104-197	3,007
SL-7104-152	334	SL-7104-198	833
SL-7104-153	1,365	SL-7104-199	2,391
SL-7104-154	1,714	SL-7104-201	317
SL-7104-155	3,153	SL-7104-202	1,717
SL-7104-156	514	SL-7104-209	18,363
SL-7104-157	1,230	SL-7104-212	4,943
SL-7104-158	138	SL-7104-215	538
SL-7104-159	2,852	SL-7104-216	3,148
SL-7104-160	168	SL-7104-218	204
SL-7104-162	1,618	SL-7104-301	2,242
SL-7104-163	526	SL-7104-302	1,019
SL-7104-164	315	SL-7104-303	496
SL-7104-165	1,641	SL-7104-304	2,797
SL-7104-166	985	SL-7104-307	2,167
SL-7104-167	953	SL-7104-308	586
SL-7104-169	3,168	SL-7104-309	1,434
SL-7104-170	1,344	SL-7104-310	127
SL-7104-171	106	SL-7104-312	2,470

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SL-7104-313	1,580	SL-8312-377	4,517
SL-7104-314	1,628	SL-8401-378	577
SL-7104-316	436	SL-8312-379	7,845
SL-7104-317	1,594	SL-8402-380	1,458
SL-7104-318	850	SL-8402-381	826
SL-7104-319	2,679	SL-8404-382	2,691
SL-7104-320	1,372	SL-8405-383	1,905
SL-7907-323	1,453	SL-8406-384	858
SL-8001-328	2,368	SL-8407-385	2,043
SL-8005-330	1,108	SL-8408-386	5,391
SL-8005-331	1,352	SL-8501-387	2,579
SL-8006-333	8,047	SL-8501-388	1,787
SL-8008-334	975	SL-8502-389	1,893
SL-8008-335	966	SL-8502-390	2,732
SL-8009-336	1,351	SL-8504-391	970
SL-8207-337	1,622	SL-8504-392	1,186
SL-8207-338	1,270	SL-8504-393	1,430
SL-8207-339	644	SL-8506-394	3,010
SL-8010-343	2,848	SL-8508-395	2,369
SL-8012-345	530	SL-8509-396	2,740
SL-8110-350	2,423	SL-8509-397	3,058
SL-8110-351	2,211	SL-8510-399	2,338
SL-8110-352	1,164	SL-8510-400	2,378
SL-8206-353	723	SL-8510-401	3,625
SL-8206-354	1,507	SL-8511-402	4,086
SL-8209-355	1,491	SL-8512-403	3,938
SL-8206-356	3,615	SL-8512-404	3,360
SL-8210-359	1,365	SL-8512-405	1,159
SL-8210-360	1,054	SL-8602-406	7,796
SL-8301-362	0	SL-8602-407	1,441
SL-8301-364	3,371	SL-8604-408	253
SL-8301-366	835	SL-8604-409	2,756
SL-8301-367	1,580	SL-8605-410	441
SL-8301-368	1,743	SL-8605-411	4,796
SL-8301-369	750	SL-8606-412	1,763
SL-8303-370	101	SL-8607-413	2,218
SL-8307-372	1,762	SL-8609-419	693
SL-8308-374	2,018	SL-8609-420	2,571
SL-8308-375	1,220	SL-8609-421	2,613
SL-8309-376	6,972	SL-8609-423	134

STREETLIGHT DISTRICT	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE RAISED (in \$)	STREETLIGHT DISTRICT	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE RAISED (in \$)
SL-8611-424	3,966	SL-9207-476	115
SL-8611-426	5,717	SL-9209-477	2,109
SL-8703-429	1,033	SL-9204-478	1,657
SL-8704-430	711	SL-9209-480	168
SL-8705-431	724	SL-9210-481	0
SL-8707-433	1,085	SL-9301-482	1,091
SL-8707-434	4,294	SL-9212-484	446
SL-8707-435	1,882	SL-9301-485	1,379
SL-8707-436	836	SL-9308-488	1,991
SL-8804-437	4,538	SL-9308-489	103
SL-8804-438	2,573	SL-9308-490	7,839
SL-8810-439	447	SL-9308-491	3,340
SL-8810-440	2,289	SL-9308-492	659
SL-8907-443	3,302	SL-9309-493	275
SL-8907-444	1,018	SL-9309-494	2,099
SL-8911-445	111	SL-9309-495	856
SL-8912-446	505	SL-9310-496	1,458
SL-9001-447	858	SL-9311-497	381
SL-9003-448	167	SL-9311-498	183
SL-9003-449	1,435	SL-9311-499	87
SL-9007-452	1,439	SL-9311-500	1,587
SL-9012-453	3,531	SL-9311-501	653
SL-9012-454	370	SL-9402-502	761
SL-9012-456	1,395	SL-9403-505	2,664
SL-9012-457	2,026	SL-9403-506	2,622
SL-9012-458	1,945	SL-9403-507	1,960
SL-9012-459	489	SL-9404-508	3,354
SL-8810-462	1,230	SL-9406-509	504
SL-9101-463	477	SL-9408-511	1,663
SL-9112-464	1,937	SL-9409-512	1,107
SL-9201-465	1,605	SL-9408-513	8,153
SL-9201-466	400	SL-9409-514	207
SL-9203-467	785	SL-9410-515	106
SL-9204-468	2,331	SL-9409-516	2,894
SL-9205-469	0	SL-9411-517	104
SL-9205-470	378	SL-9412-521	2,279
SL-9206-471	378	SL-9412-522	167
SL-9207-472	256	SL-9501-523	609
SL-9207-474	135	SL-9502-524	3,849
SL-9207-475	736	SL-9504-526	1,423

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SL-9504-527	167	SL-6828-Q	1,918
SL-9504-528	1,761	SL-6828-R	2,124
SL-9505-529	108	SL-7104-12	331
SL-9506-530	1,110	SL-8010-441	2,165
SL-9507-531	1,069	SL-8010-442	864
SL-9507-532	452	SL-7104-54A	447
SL-9508-533	872	SL-7104-54B	2,733
SL-9510-535	267	SL-7104-54C	1,594
SL-9510-536	2,215	SL-7104-87	403
SL-9510-537	337	SL-2211-601	8,243
SL-9601-538	188	SL-2211-602	0
SL-9604-539	1,773		
SL-9607-542	1,344		
SL-9609-545	1,075		
SL-9609-546	1,546		
SL-9611-549	1,530		
SL-9610-550	393		
SL-9611-551	886		
SL-9611-552	103		
SL-9612-553	611		
SL-9705-557	852		
SL-9706-560	886		
SL-9710-565	788		
SL-9808-568	1,090		
SL-9810-569	805		
SL-0011-573	103		
SL-0101-574	202		
SL-6828	3,908		
SL-6828-A	2,636		
SL-6828-B	1,645		
SL-6828-C	2,562		
SL-6828-D	5,505		
SL-6828-E	2,120		
SL-6828-G	826		
SL-6828-H	2,671		
SL-6828-I	11,098		
SL-6828-J	4,601		
SL-6828-K	2,985		
SL-6828-L	618		
SL-6828-O	106		



Streetlight Tax Districts

Utility Service Provider

- APS
- SRP

FISCAL YEAR 2026/27
MUNICIPAL STREETLIGHT IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX LEVY

City Council Meeting
June 9, 2026

BACKGROUND

- Established in 1971 to allow taxpayers residing in the benefiting area to pay for the operation of streetlights
- 357 Streetlight Improvement Districts (SLID) formed by petition of the property owners

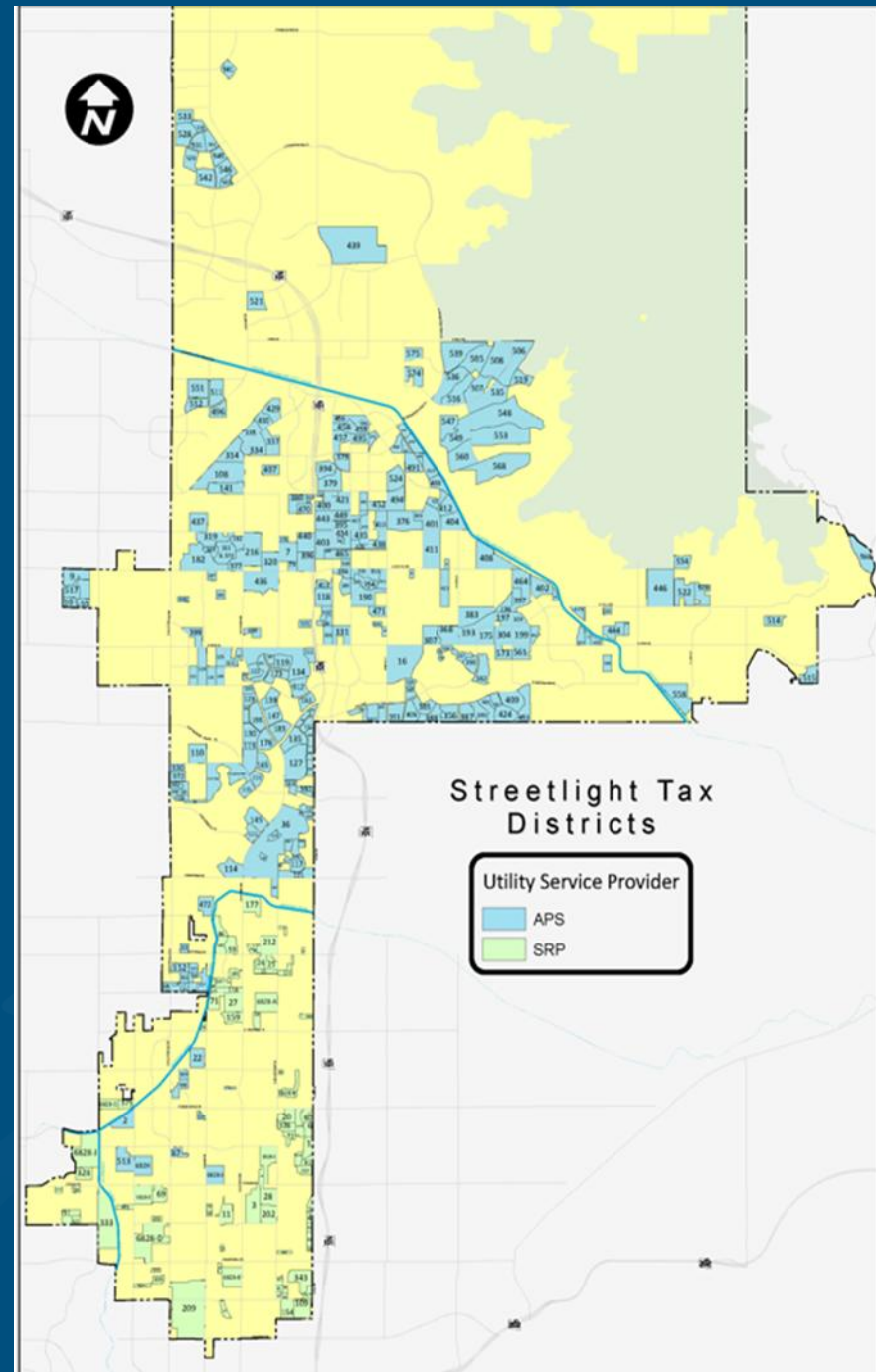
PURPOSE

- Sole purpose to purchase electricity for lighting public streets
- Special Taxing District property tax
- Levy is calculated based on estimated energy costs

INFORMATION

- Operating costs vary by district –
 - Usage / # streetlights
 - SRP versus APS rates
- 357 separate property tax calculations representing 33,970 properties

- FY 2026/27
Proposed Expense
and Tax Levy
\$642,566



Levy Information Overview

# of Districts	# Lots	Fiscal Year 2025/26 Levy	Average Levy per Lot	Average Levy Increase per Lot
357	33,970	\$642,566	\$18.92	\$1.89

ACTION

- **SOLICIT** public testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026/27 SLID proposed expense and tax levy
- **APPROVE** a motion to levy the proposed Fiscal Year 2026/27 SLID taxes, by district, taxes to be assessed by ordinance on June 23, 2026