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ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING APRIL 10, 2019 8:00 PM VILLAGE HALL

Dear Resident,

The Village Board will be presenting the proposed Village Budget on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. in Village Hall, 2nd floor Court Room.

The Village of Floral Park's portion represents approximately 1/3 of your total property tax bill. Each year in crafting the Village Budget, the Village Board members must balance keeping taxes as low as possible, while still providing the level of services that keeps Floral Park A Great Place To Live.

The proposed tax levy increase for 2019-2020 stays within the New York State Property Tax Cap. The allowable New York State Tax Cap for a tax levy increase for Floral Park for 2019-2020 is 2.33%. The proposed tax levy increase in this tentative budget is 2.29%.

The New York State "Tax Cap" applies to the "tax levy". The "tax levy" refers to the overall amount of taxes the Village must raise to pay its projected expenses. The "tax rate" refers to the amount you actually pay on your tax bill based on the assessed value of your property. The tax rate increase for 2019-2020 is actually lower than the tax levy increase for the coming year because the Village total assessed value of all taxable property within the Village (both commercial and residential) grew during the last year, due in large part, to increased new construction and building improvements within the Village. Because the total assessed value of all taxable properties increased, the tax rate increase of **1.76%** is below the tax levy increase.

The budget proposes a tax rate of \$13.5557 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, compared to the \$13.3209 rate established for 2018-2019. Based on the budget as presented, a typical homeowner in the Village of Floral Park owning the average home with an assessed value of \$38,700 will pay an additional \$90.87 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for Village government services. The total annual Village tax for a home assessed at \$38,700 would be \$5,246.06.

Staying within the New York State Tax Cap was challenging this year because, as of the writing of this message,

Governor Cuomo cut the state revenue sharing to all Villages and municipalities. The cut of state revenue sharing to Floral Park totaled \$272,000, nearly one percent of the Village's budget. Additionally, the County has eliminated the sales tax sharing that Villages have received. The cut in sales tax revenue from the County for Floral Park totals \$44,000.

To offset these cuts in revenue, the Village has made significant cuts. However, despite these cuts, the Village is committed to continuing the progress we have made in several areas. One of our highest priorities is to continue to improve the condition of the roads in our Village.

A few years ago, the Village embarked upon a road program to address the many roads in the Village that needed reconstruction and re-paving. Through a combination of current tax dollars, financing, grants and other state aid, we have managed to reconstruct several roads in the Village. Under this program, in prior years we have done the entire length of Raff and Lowell Avenues, Zinnia Street, Charles Street and a portion of Daisy Avenue. Also, the drainage problem at the intersection of Hickory & Cedar was remediated.

This past year, we were able to reconstruct nearly the full length of Locust Street.

The major road projects that are in the planning stages include the complete reconstruction of Floral Boulevard, Spooner Street in its entirety and the Spooner Parking Lot, the balance of Locust Street (from Miller Avenue to Vandewater Avenue), portion of Marshall Avenue (from Covert Avenue to Orchid Street), and a portion of Hinsdale Avenue (from Jericho to Lowell). Also, drainage repair projects are planned for the catch basins at Elm and Crocus Avenues, Emerson and Lowell Avenues and East Hitchcock and Depan Avenues.

Copies of the entire budget document can be obtained at Village Hall. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Village Administrator/Treasurer, Gerard Bambrick at 326-6300, or come to our Budget Hearing on April 10th at 8:00 p.m.

Dominick A. Longobardi, Mayor

Allocation of Village Tax for Home Assessed at \$38,700

TRANSPORTATION

\$314.76

Street Maintenance
Street Lighting
Parking
Snow Removal
DPW Administration

GENERAL

\$891.83

General Government
Staff
Central Garage
Engineering
Insurance
Contingencies
Finances
Vital Statistics

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

\$1,311.52

State and Police Retirement
Social Security
Worker's Compensation
Hospital/Medical Insurance

PUBLIC SAFETY

\$1,416.44

Police
Fire
Safety Inspection
Civil Defense



COMMUNITY SERVICES

\$472.15

Refuse Disposal
Sewer Service
Shade Trees
Street Cleaning
Zoning

CULTURE, RECREATION & POOL

\$262.30

Pool, Parks & Playgrounds
Youth Programs
Programs for the Aging

LIBRARY

\$209.84

DEBT SERVICE

\$367.22

Debt Reduction
Bond Interest

PER MONTH

\$437.17

TOTAL TAX

\$5,246.06

We are currently preparing for the 2019 tax collection process. Residents are reminded to contact us at 326-6305 with any of the following changes:

- When there is a change in the billing or mailing address of the property owner.
- When the property has been recently purchased or sold. As a property owner you cannot rely solely on the mortgagor or your attorney to notify the village.
- When the mortgage has been satisfied or refinanced with a different bank or financial institution.

Reminder!

BUDGET SUMMARY 2019-2020

DEPARTMENT	2018/2019	PERCENT	2019/2020	PERCENT	CHANGE
Board of Trustees	\$ 21,500.00	0.07%	\$ 21,500.00	0.07%	\$0.00
Village Justice	\$ 271,776.00	0.91%	\$ 283,911.00	0.97%	\$12,135.00
Mayor	\$ 11,500.00	0.04%	\$ 11,500.00	0.04%	\$0.00
Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 913,242.00	3.06%	\$ 927,781.00	3.18%	\$14,539.00
Purchasing	\$ 63,300.00	0.21%	\$ 61,300.00	0.21%	(\$2,000.00)
Assessment	\$ 99,200.00	0.33%	\$ 91,400.00	0.31%	(\$7,800.00)
STAFF					
Law	\$ 182,100.00	0.61%	\$ 217,100.00	0.74%	\$35,000.00
Personnel	\$ 36,500.00	0.12%	\$ 36,500.00	0.12%	\$0.00
Engineer	\$ 0.00	0.00%	\$ 0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Elections	\$ 5,810.00	0.02%	\$ 5,810.00	0.02%	\$0.00
SHARED SERVICES					
Buildings	\$ 852,087.00	2.86%	\$ 781,204.00	2.67%	(\$70,883.00)
Central Garage	\$ 442,869.00	1.49%	\$ 443,172.00	1.52%	\$303.00
Central Mailing	\$ 10,000.00	0.03%	\$ 10,000.00	0.03%	\$0.00
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police	\$ 6,871,960.00	23.05%	\$ 7,194,508.00	24.64%	\$322,548.00
Fire	\$ 408,800.00	1.39%	\$ 407,800.00	1.40%	(\$1,000.00)
Animal Control	\$ 250.00	0.00%	\$ 250.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Safety Inspection	\$ 380,128.00	1.28%	\$ 373,232.00	1.28%	(\$6,896.00)
Civil Defense	\$ 7,050.00	0.02%	\$ 7,050.00	0.02%	\$0.00
Health	\$ 5,900.00	0.02%	\$ 5,900.00	0.02%	\$0.00
TRANSPORTATION					
DPW Administration	\$ 265,458.00	0.89%	\$ 283,007.00	0.97%	\$17,549.00
Street Maintenance	\$ 1,145,118.00	3.84%	\$ 1,114,931.00	3.82%	(\$30,187.00)
Snow Removal	\$ 50,600.00	0.17%	\$ 50,200.00	0.17%	(\$400.00)
Street Lighting	\$ 167,663.00	0.56%	\$ 173,851.00	0.60%	\$6,188.00
Off-Street Parking	\$ 136,894.00	0.46%	\$ 103,044.00	0.35%	(\$33,850.00)
ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE	\$ 168,000.00	0.56%	\$ 165,000.00	0.56%	(\$3,000.00)
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
Programs for the Aging	\$ 9,640.00	0.03%	\$ 9,640.00	0.03%	\$0.00
Parks	\$ 285,217.00	0.96%	\$ 261,391.00	0.90%	(\$23,826.00)
Playgrounds, Recreation Centers	\$ 698,827.00	2.34%	\$ 712,882.00	2.44%	\$14,055.00
Youth Programs and Projects	\$ 132,832.00	0.45%	\$ 133,457.00	0.46%	\$625.00
Historian	\$ 15,250.00	0.05%	\$ 15,250.00	0.05%	\$0.00
Celebrations	\$ 57,500.00	0.19%	\$ 58,750.00	0.20%	\$1,250.00
HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICES					
Zoning & Planning	\$ 36,750.00	0.12%	\$ 33,250.00	0.11%	(\$3,500.00)
Refuse and Garbage	\$ 1,913,806.00	6.42%	\$ 1,917,469.00	6.57%	\$3,663.00
Street Cleaning	\$ 123,709.00	0.41%	\$ 125,232.00	0.43%	\$1,523.00
Noise Abatement	\$ 2,000.00	0.01%	\$ 2,000.00	0.01%	\$0.00
Storm Sewers	\$ 37,000.00	0.12%	\$ 35,000.00	0.12%	(\$2,000.00)
Shade Trees	\$ 346,739.00	1.16%	\$ 312,314.00	1.07%	(\$34,425.00)
Emergency Tenant Protection	\$ 2,000.00	0.01%	\$ 2,000.00	0.01%	\$0.00
Co-op Agreements	\$ 291,100.00	0.97%	\$ 268,250.00	0.92%	(\$22,850.00)
VILLAGE GENERAL					
Self-Insurance	\$ 565,200.00	1.90%	\$ 607,400.00	2.08%	\$42,200.00
Special Items	\$ 1,801,750.00	6.04%	\$ 1,192,000.00	4.08%	(\$609,750.00)
Employee Benefits	\$ 7,367,778.00	24.72%	\$ 7,290,339.00	24.97%	(\$77,439.00)
Library Fund	\$ 1,260,251.00	4.23%	\$ 1,307,187.00	4.48%	\$46,936.00
Pool Fund	\$ 231,560.00	0.78%	\$ 263,117.00	0.90%	\$31,557.00
Debt Service	\$ 1,974,198.00	6.62%	\$ 1,887,041.00	6.46%	(\$87,157.00)
Capital Fund	\$ 218,000.00	.73%	\$ 0.00	0.00%	(\$218,000.00)
TOTALS	\$ 29,888,812.00	100.00%	\$ 29,203,920.00	100.00%	(\$66,892.00)

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
Appropriations, General Fund	\$ 29,888,812	\$ 29,203,920
Revenues, General Fund (Non-Tax)	4,052,966	3,620,666
Appropriated Fund Balance, General Fund	905,000	81,333
Amount to be Raised by Taxes	24,930,846	25,501,921
Assessed Valuation (after exemptions)	187,155,831	188,125,743
Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Value	\$13.3209	\$13.5557

**Important Village of Floral Park
Phone Numbers**

Police & Fire Emergency.....	911
Police & Fire Non-Emergency.....	326-6400
Administration.....	326-6300
Assessment.....	326-6305
Building Department.....	326-6319
Court Office.....	326-6325
Fire Department Chief's Office.....	326-6327
Library.....	326-6330
Public Works Department.....	326-6320
Recreation/Shelter House.....	326-6334
Recreation/Pool Bldg.....	326-6336
Four Village Studio	326-1150

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