



Agenda
Osseo Area Schools
School Board

Regular Business Meeting
Educational Service Center - Board Room
11200 93rd Ave N
Maple Grove, MN 55369
Tuesday, August 18, 2026
6:00 PM

Our mission is to inspire and prepare each and every scholar with the confidence, courage and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning.

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Agenda Items

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
Tanya Prince, Board Chair
2. Public Hearing on Consideration and Approval of Property Tax Abatement 2
John Morstad, Executive Director of Finance and Operations; Shelby McQuay, Ehlers, Inc.
3. Public Comment
4. Adjournment

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PUBLIC HEARING -

Property Tax Abatement for Parking Lot Construction & Improvement Projects

AUGUST 25, 2026

Board Authority

Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.1812 to 469.1815

- Authorizes school districts to issue tax abatement bonds
- Similar authority as municipalities, but limited to parking lot projects
- Annual debt payments cannot exceed the greater of:
 - 10% of district net tax capacity, or
 - \$200,000



Abatement Bonds & Property Tax Levy Information

\$15,000,000 in Tax Abatement Bonds authorized:

- Amount includes estimated bond issuance costs
- 10 annual property tax abatements/debt service levies
- Beginning with taxes payable in 2027

Tax Abatement Process

Parcels Identified

- No separate impact on individual parcel owners
- School tax portion is a sufficient meet the statutory requirement
- District adds a levy to offset amount of “abated” taxes

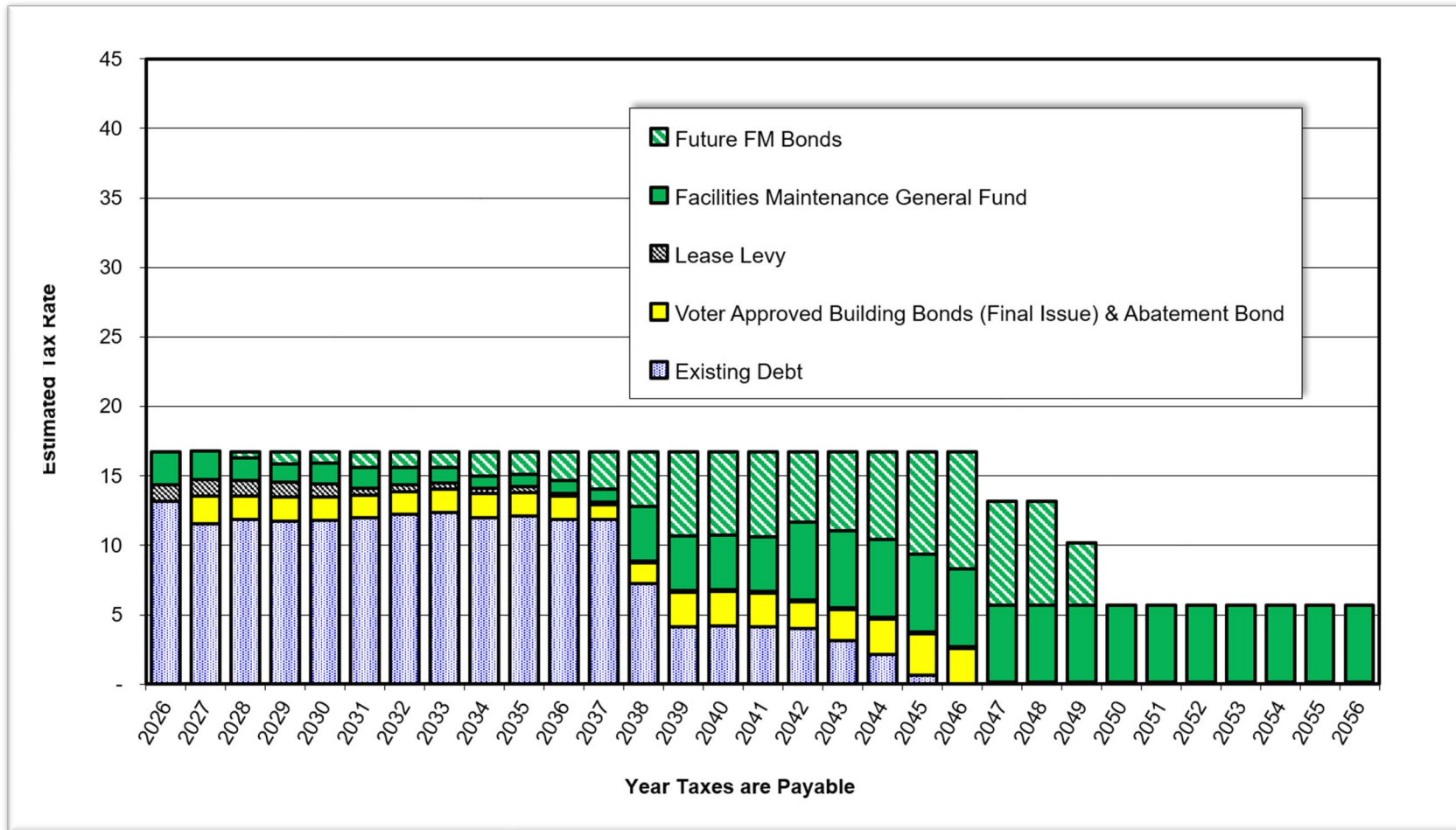
Approve & Issue Bonds

- Board authorizes
- Board awards
- Annual tax levies certified to the Minnesota Department of Education

Bond Proceeds Available

- Parking lot construction and completion

Capital Plan



PUBLIC COMMENTS

