



City Council Policy Discussion

Facilities Master Plan Implementation

E-Bicycles and E-Scooters

October 27, 2025

Agenda

- Referendum:
 - Timeline
 - Options
 - Community Engagement

- E-Bike/Scooter:
 - Information provided
 - Staff process
 - Next steps

Timeline



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- **July 21, 2025:**
 - The City Council approved the Facilities Master Plan
 - The priority project was identified as the police station.
- **August 18, 2025:**
 - The City Council approved an engagement with FGM Architects for Architectural and Engineering Services for the Police Station.
- **Wednesday, October 22, 2025:**
 - The City Council participated in a joint meeting with the Strategic Planning Advisory Committee (SPAC) where SG-III, Facilities Meets Community Needs was re-visited.
- **Monday, October 27, 2025:**
 - The City Council reviews and discusses options for implementation of the Facilities Master Plan.

Timeline

- **November 3, 2025 (*tentative*):**
 - The City Council discusses the referendum at the regularly scheduled meeting.
- **November 17, 2025:**
 - The City Council reviews and discusses the proposed language for the ballot question at the regularly scheduled Committee of the Whole Meeting.
- **December 1, 2025:**
 - The City Council votes on the agreed upon language for the ballot question.
- **March 17, 2025:**
 - Primary election – community votes

Options



Fiscal Responsibility

For every \$100 in 2025 property taxes paid, the City of Geneva receives \$6.28.



City of Geneva ↑

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the School District receives \$70.99.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Park District receives \$5.82.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Community College District receives \$5.53.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Library receives \$5.16.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, Kane County receives \$3.77.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Forest Preserve receives \$1.57.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Township receives \$0.59.

For every \$100 in property tax paid, the Township Road District receives \$0.30.

Fiscal Responsibility

How Much Does A Homeowner Pay For City Services?

A homeowner who lives within the City of Geneva pays for City services through their annual property tax. The amount is based upon the current tax levy and the assessed valuation of the property. The assessed valuation is 33% of the market value of the property.

The table shows the monthly expenses for two property owners who own property at median home value and \$700,000. Both of these property owners will pay more monthly for television subscriptions than City Services.

Monthly Expenses for City Services		
Market Value of Home	\$415,800	\$700,000
Assessed Valuation	138,600	233,333
Current Tax Levy	0.51531	0.51531
Annual Tax Liability for City Services	714.22	1,202.39
Total Monthly Expenses for City Services	\$ 59.52	\$ 100.20
Television Subscription Difference (\$129/mo)	\$ 69.48	\$ 28.80

Source: Provider Websites as of Oct 2025.
Services include AppleTV and Peacock bundle,
Disney+ and Hulu bundle, Netflix, and YouTubeTV

Options

- *Bond Referendum*
- Benefits
- Limitations
- Future projects

- *Home Rule Referendum*
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Bond Referendum

- Benefits:
 - Creates a funding mechanism for a new police facility.
- Limitations:
 - The funding is limited to just the police facility.
- Future projects:
 - No funding mechanism for the remaining projects identified in the Facilities Master Plan or future projects.
 - Limits Geneva's ability to plan effectively without a funding source identified.

Home Rule Referendum

- Benefits:
 - Creates a funding mechanism that is not solely dependent on Geneva homeowners.
 - Funds not restricted to one project.
 - Provides autonomy for Geneva to make decisions based on the best interest of the community instead of state law.
- Limitations:
 - No single-source of revenue for the police facility.
- Future projects:
 - Will allow Geneva to map out future projects identified in the Facilities Master Plan.
 - Creates additional options for the City as a whole.

Community Engagement



3 Pillars of Success

1. **City Leadership Active Participation and Support**
 - Elected Leaders & City Staff must be engaged and responsive
2. **Election Turnout**
3. **Community Education**
 - **Events:**
 - Town Halls
 - Tours of impacted facilities
 - Attending community functions
 - **Communication:**
 - Utilize the City's existing options
 - Expand current options in order to reach the entire community

Closing Thoughts

