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School district lowers real property tax rates

SEEK deduction impacts funds the district actually receives

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Trigg County Public Schools has approved a reduction of its tax rates for real property, while its rates remain the same for personal property.

Chief Financial Officer Holly Greene said the tax rates will see a decrease from 49.9 cents per \$100 valuation to 49.8 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation for the 2025 fiscal year.

Speaking during the Trigg County School Board's Aug. 14 meeting, Greene also noted that personal property will remain

the same at 54.9 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Additionally, motor vehicle will remain the same at 46 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, and utility will remain at 3%.

The board accepted Greene's recommendation that the district take the 4% tax rate.

"The positive news is real estate actually is going down," Greene observed of the tax rates. "So if you have not had a change in assessment on your property, you should actually see a decrease from the school tax rates."

The finance officer noted

that for the school district, however, there is a difference between what the Kentucky Department of Education says the district should collect in the 2025 fiscal year and what the district actually collects.

"I think what's really important is that we do not have 100% collection," Greene noted. "I think that's something that doesn't get talked about very much."

"You hope to collect some through delinquent taxes," she continued, while noting that delinquent taxes only generate about \$50,000.

Greene said the Trigg County school district typically collects between 94% and 96% of its taxes and is in the middle this year at 95%.

"But what is interesting

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Chief Financial Officer Holly Greene speaks to the Trigg County School Board.

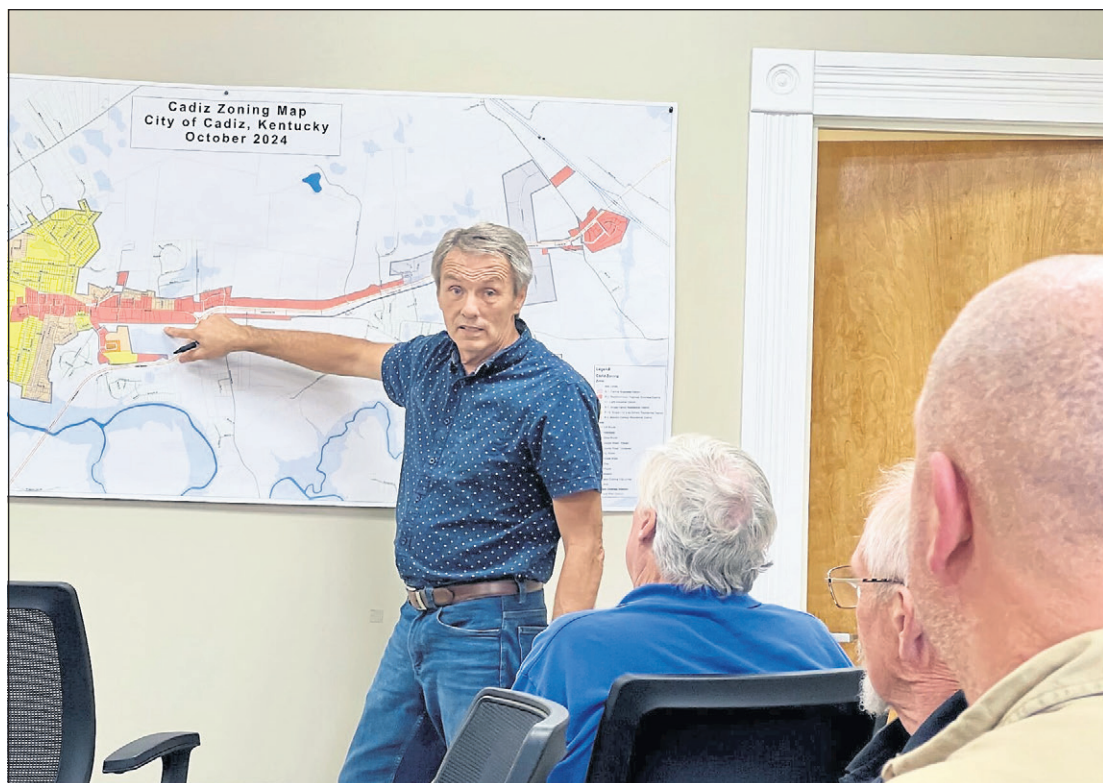


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Planning Commission Chairman Tom Lawson points out the property being considered for The Lofts at Cadiz, a 38-unit housing development on Main Street.

New housing complex among discussion items for planning

Members continue to work on Comprehensive Plan

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Cadiz-Trigg County Planning Commission Chairman Tom Lawson said his agency will have to annex a portion of property being considered for a new housing complex in the city.

Speaking during the commission's recent meeting on Tuesday, Lawson noted that the project pertains to five acres of property located at

2268 Main St., in Cadiz, part of it in the city and another portion in the county.

"At the meeting, we told them that if they get the owners to go ahead and request annexation, we can set up the hearing and all that stuff," Lawson told planning commission members.

The commission chairman said he hasn't heard back from anyone on the matter in the last two or three weeks,

and he said the owners may want to wait until it's a "done deal" before requesting any annexation.

The application for the housing project must go to the Kentucky Housing Corporation and is expected to do so early next year.

The Lofts at Cadiz is a 38-unit housing complex that Murray-based Melior

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Enrollment increases for school district

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Trigg County Public Schools has started the year with an increase in enrollment, going up to 1,890 from last year's 1,862 students who came to school on the first day in 2024-2025.

Students returned to the classroom for the 2025-2026 year on Aug. 13, with Director of Student Services and Personnel Laura James noting that the district has

seen increases in student numbers at both the Trigg County Intermediate and Middle schools.

A teacher position was initially posted at the middle school to meet that increase in numbers, according to James. But by the time of the school board meeting earlier this month, Superintendent Rex Booth was apprising the board that a second teacher

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Pig debut coming soon

Community sees visitors from numerous states, three countries

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Executive Director Beth Sumner of the Trigg County Tourist Commission noted that officials are planning to schedule a ribbon-cutting and will announce the name of the community's newest pig sculpture, a male dressed in sports attire now on

display in front of the concessions area at the Trigg County Recreation Complex.

"He does look good," Sumner said at the commission's most recent meeting, which took place Aug. 14 at the tourism offices in Cadiz.

Lucas Hale, a commission member who also

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