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## **CITY OF KEARNEY** **PRESS RELEASE** ***For Immediate Release***

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### **City of Kearney Has Lowest Municipal Property Tax Levy in Nebraska**

An annual survey has recently released municipal property tax levies for 2016-2017, and Kearney has the lowest property tax levy among first class cities in the state. Cities are classified as first class if they have more than 5,000 population.

The City of Kearney has a property tax levy of .13736, or about 14¢ per \$100 of valuation. On a house valued at \$200,000 the City receives \$280 in property taxes. This is especially significant considering the scope and level of services provided in Kearney. “This shows the value of local government to residents, the services received – streets, parks, police, fire, library, and airport - are provided with a very low property tax burden”, said City Manager Michael Morgan.

Mayor Stan Clouse said, “The City Council is very proud of our City administration and employees for once again having one of the lowest municipal levies in the state. Kearney is always in the top two or three cities in this ranking and it is a tribute to the diligence and hard work of our City employees in managing day-to-day activities of our city while ensuring our quality of life in Kearney is not compromised.”

Below is a chart listing the property tax levies for all First Class Cities in Nebraska.

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**2016 Property Tax Levy  
Nebraska First Class Cities**

<b>City</b>	<b>Per \$100 of valuation</b>
<b>Kearney</b>	<b>0.137360</b>
York	0.190484
Scottsbluff	0.216000
Norfolk	0.252065
Gering	0.288690
Columbus	0.315186
Seward	0.318000
Grand Island	0.324100
Fremont	0.347736
McCook	0.349044
Schuyler	0.353947
Blair	0.358163
Lexington	0.361505
Alliance	0.371393
Beatrice	0.384337
Ogallala	0.390889
South Sioux City	0.399117
Wayne	0.409303
Holdrege	0.415403
Chadron	0.422500
Nebraska City	0.427167
Sidney	0.435787
North Platte	0.442694
Hastings	0.449687
Papillion	0.451923
Plattsmouth	0.491395
Crete	0.513676
LaVista	0.550000
Ralston	0.606640
Bellevue	0.610000