

TAXES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair of the Taxes Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M. on April 21, 2026, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

GOMEZ, Aisha, DFL Chair
DAVIDS, Greg, GOP Chair
NORRIS, Matt, DFL Vice Chair
JOY, Jim, GOP Vice Chair
AGBAJE, Esther
ANDERSON, Patti
ELKINS, Steve
FREIBERG, Mike
HARDER, Bobbie
HOLLINS, Athena
HOWARD, Michael
HUOT, John
JOHNSON, Wayne
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
LEE, Liz
ROACH, Drew
ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
SMITH, Andy
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WARWAS, Cal
WIENER, Mike
WITTE, Jeff
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Representative Smith moved the minutes of April 16, 2026 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3360 (Acomb) Wayzata; special tax increment financing rules authorized.

Representative Acomb moved that HF3360 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Acomb Presented HF3360.

Testifiers:

- Andrew Mullin, Mayor, City of Wayzata.
- Aurora Yager, City Manager, City of Wayzata.

HF3360 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4643 (Youakim) Hopkins; tax increment financing special rules authorized.

Representative Youakim moved that HF4643 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Youakim Presented HF4643.

Testifiers:

- Kersten Elverum, Director of Planning and Economic Development, City of Hopkins.

HF4643 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF3450 (Rehm) Chaska; special tax increment financing authority provided.

Representative Rehm moved that HF3450 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Rehm Presented HF3450.

Testifiers:

- Taylor Hubbard, Mayor, City of Chaska.

HF3450 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF3447 (Koegel) Columbia Heights; special tax increment financing rules authorized.

Representative Koegel moved that HF3447 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Koegel Presented HF3447.

Testifiers:

- Rachel James, City Council President, City of Columbia Heights.
- Aaron Chirpich, City Manager, City of Columbia Heights.

HF3447 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4519 (Koegel) Fridley; authority to transfer tax increment extended.

Representative Koegel moved that HF4519 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Koegel Presented HF4519.

Testifiers:

- Councilmember Luke Cardona, City Council, Fridley.

HF4519 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4552 (Kotzya-Witthuhn) Eden Prairie; special tax increment financing rules authorized.

Representative Kotzya-Witthuhn moved that HF4552 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Kotyza-Witthuhn Presented HF4552.

Testifiers:

- Ron Case, Mayor, City of Eden Prairie.

HF4552 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4490 (Schomacker) Mountain Lake tax increment financing special rules authorized.

Representative Schomacker moved that HF4490 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Schomacker moved the HF4490A1 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Schomacker Presented HF4490 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Former Representative Rod Hamilton.

HF4490, as amended, was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4361 (Agbaje) Minneapolis; local sales tax use of revenue modified, and downtown taxing area modified.

Representative Agbaje moved that HF4361 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Agbaje moved the HF4361DE2 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Agbaje presented HF4361 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Angie Skildum, Director of Development Finance, City of Minneapolis.

HF4361, as amended, was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4344 (Agbaje) Businesses allowed to collect tourism improvement district charges from purchasers.

Representative Agbaje moved that HF4344 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes bill.

Representative Agbaje moved the HF4344A1 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Agbaje presented HF4344 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Melvin Tennant, CAE, CEO, Meet Minneapolis.

HF4344, as amended, was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 A.M.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Aisha Gomez", written over a horizontal line.

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sumira", written over a horizontal line.

Sumira Sheikh, Committee Legislative Assistant