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Mayor Jacobs Talks About the True Amount and Effects the Sheriff's Proposed Raises Would Have on Taxpayers

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will be posted around 1:30 p.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs discusses the Sheriff's request to give his deputies and corrections officers a 30 percent raise for the upcoming fiscal year, which starts June 1.

Mayor Jacobs has proposed an eight percent increase – the highest single-year increase in the county's history for Sheriff's Office employees.

"Now, you may have heard that it would require a seven cent, or 4.5 percent, property tax increase to fund the Sheriff's proposal," Mayor Jacobs says. "That's not correct. It's almost triple that because the seven-cent number doesn't include long-term pension costs."

That's not all he says about the issue. Check out the county and mayor's social media sites at 1:30 p.m. to watch the full video.

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