REQUIRED MOTION

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

DATE: May 19, 2026

TOPIC: **Introduction of an Ordinance: Tax Rates Beginning July 1, 2026**

Charter Amendment	_____
Code Amendment	_____
Ordinance	___ X___
Resolution	_____
Other	_____

MOTION:

I hereby move for the adoption of an ordinance on May 19, 2026 to establish the City's tax rates for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 on the basis of $1.057 per $100 of assessed value of all real property and $2.643 per $100 of assessed value of all business personal property within the City of Hagerstown.

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: 05/12/2026
DATE OF PASSAGE: 05/19/2026
EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2026

ORDINANCE No.

ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATES
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 TO JUNE 30, 2027
CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

Pursuant to the Charter of the City of Hagerstown and the general public laws of the State of Maryland, the legislative body of the City of Hagerstown is charged with establishing tax rates; and the Mayor and Council, as the duly constituted legislative body for the City of Hagerstown has complied with all the provisions of the Annotated Code of the State of Maryland, the Charter of the City of Hagerstown and all other applicable laws in reference to establishing said tax rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ENACTED and **ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hagerstown, that the tax rates for the City for the taxable levy year from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, is hereby established as follows:

A. All real property is hereby levied and chargeable on the basis of **$1.057** per $100 based on the assessed value of said properties as required by the Charter of the City of Hagerstown, the Maryland Constitution, and the Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. All business personal property, except as otherwise provided for by Ordinance 98-04 entitled *ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ASSESSMENT LEVY FOR THE PERSONAL PROPERTY CATEGORIES OF MANUFACTURING MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT, COMMERCIAL INVENTORY AND MANUFACTURING INVENTORY for the CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND for the FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1998 and Thereafter*, is hereby levied and chargeable on the basis of **$2.643** per $100 based on the assessed value of said properties as required by the Charter of the City of Hagerstown, the Maryland Constitution, and the Annotated Code of Maryland.

C. Taxpayers who pay the taxes referred to herein, between the period of July 1, 2026 up to and including July 31, 2026, shall be entitled and are hereby granted a one quarter of one percent (1/4%) discount on the amount of said tax. Any property tax levy assessed and invoiced after September 30, 2026 shall be and is hereby granted a period of thirty (30) days from the invoice date to pay without additional interest or penalty.

D. A semiannual payment plan for all real property is established in accordance with state law. Any taxpayer who makes an election to pay taxes on a semi-annual payment plan shall pay a service charge on and with the second installment based on the amount deferred.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the effective date of the tax rate established herein is July 1, 2026 and shall govern for the period set forth.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

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William B. McIntire, Mayor

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Donna Spickler, City Clerk

Date of Introduction: *May 12, 2026*
Date of Passage: *May 19, 2026*
Effective Date: *July 1, 2026*