2025 Millage Rate Discussion



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Augusta – Richmond County Georgia Schedule of 2025 Rollback Millage Rates

| MILLAGE RATE BY FUND | | Calculated | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| | Approved | Rollback | Decrease |
| | Rate | Rate | from 2024 |
| | 2024 | 2025 | Mill Rate |
| COUNTY-WIDE GENERAL | 12.251 | 11.872 | -0.379 |
| SALES TAX CREDIT | 5.783 | 5.595 | -0.188 |
| COUNTY GENERAL FUND-NET M&O | 6.468 | 6.277 | -0.191 |
| | | | |
| URBAN SERVICES GENERAL | 8.807 | 8.372 | -0.435 |
| SALES TAX CREDIT - URBAN | 5.272 | 4.969 | -0.303 |
| URBAN SERVICES DISTNET M&O | 3.535 | 3.403 | -0.132 |
| | | | |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND | 0.516 | 0.501 | -0.015 |
| | | | |
| FIRE PROTECTION | 1.397 | 1.358 | -0.039 |
| | | | |
| BLYTHE-FIRE DISTRICT M&O | 2.032 | 1.923 | -0.109 |



| <u>20</u> | 25 TAX CAP wit | h roll back rate | <u>)</u> | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| | | eneral und | Sei | rban rvices und | Fire Protection Fund | |
| | | | | | | |
| 1979 Millage Rate | | 16.520 | | 25.960 | | 2.900 |
| 1979 Millage Rate @ 7% Growth | | 17.676 | | 27.777 | | 3.103 |
| Prior Year Digest (000,000's) | \$ | 8,109 | \$ | 1,481 | \$ | 6,420 |
| Current Year Digest (000,000's) | \$ | 8,419 | \$ | 1,576 | \$ | 6,651 |
| Gross Tax Cap Calculated | | 17.026 | | 26.103 | | 2.995 |
| Net Millage Rate Proposed | | 6.277 | | 3.403 | | 1.358 |
| Capital Outlay mill rate | | 0.501 | | 0.000 | | 0.000 |
| Sales Tax Credit 2024 Calculation | | 5.595 | | 4.969 | | 0.000 |
| Gross Millage Rate | | 12.373 | | 8.372 | | 1.358 |
| Gross Tax Cap Calculated | | 17.026 | | 26.103 | | 2.995 |
| Millage Rate Less Than Tax Cap | | 4.652 | | 17.731 | | 1.637 |
| \$ Amount Less Than Tax Cap (000's) | \$ | 39,169 | \$ | 27,944 | \$ | 10,889 |
| % of Tax Cap | | 72.7% | | 32.1% | | 45.3% |

Required 5 Year History Ad Showing Rollback Rate

NOTICE

The (<u>County Name</u>) County Board of Commissioners does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the (<u>Place of Meeting</u>) on (<u>Date of Meeting</u>) at (<u>Time of Meeting</u>) and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2025 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

| | COUN | TY WIDE | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------|-------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Real & Personal | 5,952,930,998 | 6,129,786,952 | 7,074,284,271 | 8,684,978,133 | 9,070,606,924 | 9,432,602,831 |
| c | | Motor Vehicles | 59,685,020 | 49,989,750 | 43,096,170 | 43,093,690 | 39,146,980 | 34,620,570 |
| 0 | V A | Mobile Homes | 14,009,131 | 15,341,498 | 17,480,417 | 18,968,798 | 19,589,434 | 21,285,694 |
| u | | Timber - 100% | 1,130,769 | 1,229,569 | 746,370 | 486,301 | 977,448 | 749,694 |
| n | L | Heavy Duty Equipment | 146 177 | 136,060 | 177,725 | 406,436 | 125,850 | 198,138 |
| τ | E | Gross Digest | 6,027,902,040 | 6,196,483,829 | 7,135,784,953 | 8,747,933,358 | 9,130,446,636 | 9,489,456,927 |
| У | | Less Exemptions | 747,487,962 | 781,612,411 | 842,314,676 | 927,915,815 | 1,020,713,036 | 1,070,488,841 |
| W | | NET DIGEST VALUE | 5,280,414,078 | 5,414,871,418 | 6,293,470,277 | 7,820,017,543 | 8,109,733,600 | 8,418,968,086 |
| i d | R A T | Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage | 15 5190 | 15.0110 | 14.0630 | 12.1000 | 12.2510 | 11.8720 |
| e | | Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax) | | 5.9660 | 6.0770 | 5.4360 | 5.7830 | 5.5950 |
| A r | E | NET M&O MILLAGE RATE | 9 0450 | 9.0450 | 7.9860 | 6.6640 | 6.4680 | 6.2770 |
| e a | TAV | TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED | 547 761 345 | \$48,977,512 | \$50,259,654 | \$52,112,597 | \$52,453,757 | \$52,845,863 |
| | TAX | Net Tax \$ Increase | | \$1,216,167 | \$1,282,142 | \$1,852,943 | \$341,160 | \$392,106 |
| | | Net Tax % Increase | | 2.55% | 2.62% | 3.69% | 0.65% | 0.75% |



Revenue at Various Millage Rates

| 20 | 25 F | SUII | hacl | k Rate |
|----|------|------|------|--------|
| | | | | |

| | | Estimated | | Millage | 2024 Millage Rate | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|---------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------|--------------|
| Key Description | 2025 Budget | Actual | Variance | Rate | Key | Description | 2025 Budget | Estimated Actual | Variance | Millage Rate |
| General Fund | 13,706,820 | 13,437,079 | (269,741) | 6.277 | Genera | al Fund | 13,706,820 | 13,850,832 | 144,012 | 6.468 |
| Law Enforcement | 38,410,360 | 37,654,476 | (755,884) | 6.277 | Law Er | nforcement | 38,410,360 | 38,813,929 | 403,569 | 6.468 |
| Total County M&O | | | (1,025,625) | | Total | I County M&O | , , | , , | 547,581 | |
| Urban Services District | 5,056,740 | 5,098,939 | 42,199 | 3.403 | District | Services t | 5,056,740 | 5,302,108 | 245,368 | 3.535 |
| Capital Outlay | 4,055,450 | 4,056,888 | 1,438 | 0.501 | Capital | l Outlay | 4,055,450 | 4,179,809 | 124,359 | 0.516 |
| Fire Protection | 8,722,330 | 8,791,680 | 69,350 | 1.358 | Fire Pr | rotection | 8,722,330 | 9,044,769 | 322,439 | 1.397 |

.5 mill increase for County and Urban M&O others at rollback rate

| .5 mili i | ncrease for County | and Urban M&O oth | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Key Description | 2025 Budget | Estimated Actual | Variance | Millage Rate |
| General Fund | 13,706,820 | 14,933,956 | 1,227,136 | 6.968 |
| Law Enforcement | 38,410,360 | 41,849,147 | 3,438,787 | 6.968 |
| Total County M&O | | | 4,665,923 | |
| | | | | |
| Urban Services District | 5,056,740 | 6,071,689 | 1,014,949 | 4.035 |
| | | | | |
| Capital Outlay | 4,055,450 | 4,056,888 | 1,438 | 0.501 |
| | | | | |
| Fire Protection | 8,722,330 | 8,791,680 | 69,350 | 1.358 |
| | | | | |

Value of a mill by taxing district

| Taxing District | Value of a mill | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| County M&O | \$ | 8,000,125 | | | | |
| Urban M&O | \$ | 3,671,334 | | | | |
| Fire M&O | \$ | 6,182,726 | | | | |



Proposed Timeline for Approval of Rollback Rate:

August 19, 2025

Commission sets 2025 Proposed Mill Rates and announces date that final rates will be approved.

Prior to August 26, 2025 Required 5 year history and Current Year Digest appear in newspaper and are posted to web site. The ad contains the time and place for meeting for adoption of rates.

September 2, 2025

Hold public meeting as advertised to adopt mill rates

Home Value - \$220,000

| PROPERTY OWNER(S) | MAP CO | DE | LOCA | LOCATION | | L# | DISTRICT | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | | | MARTI | MARTIN LN 30909 | | | 002 - RICHMO | ND COUNTY |
| | BUILDING VALUE | LAND VALUE | ACRES | FAIR MARKET VALUE | DUE DATE | BILLING DATE | DISCOUNT DATE | EXEMPTIONS |
| | \$190,400.00 | \$29,600.00 | 0.4400 | \$220000 | 11/18/2024 | | 2024-10-15 | |
| | DESCRIP | ΠON | MARTIN ESTA | ΓES (00000) 002- | A | | 1 | |
| | FMV | 40% ASSESSED VALUE | LESS EXEMPTIONS | TAXABLE VALUE | MILLAGE RATE | GROSS TAX | LESS CREDITS | NET TAX |
| SOLID WASTE COLLECTION | \$220,000.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$320.50 | \$0.00 | \$320.50 |
| FIRE TAX | \$220,000.00 | \$88,000 | \$0 | \$88,000 | 1.397 | \$122.94 | \$0.00 | \$122.94 |
| STREET LIGHT CHARGE | \$220,000.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$85.00 | \$0.00 | \$85.00 |
| COUNTY CAPITAL OUTLAY | \$220,000.00 | \$88,000 | \$0 | \$88,000 | 0.516 | \$45.41 | \$0.00 | \$45.41 |
| COUNTY SALES TAX CREDIT | \$220,000.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5.783 | \$0.00 | -\$508.90 | \$0.00 |
| COUNTY MAINT & OPERATION | \$220,000.00 | \$88,000 | \$0 | \$88,000 | 12.251 | \$1,078.09 | \$0.00 | \$569.19 |
| SCHOOL MAINT & OPERATION | \$220,000.00 | \$88,000 | \$0 | \$88,000 | 18.330 | \$1,613.04 | \$0.00 | \$1,613.04 |
| TOTALS | | | | | 26.711 | \$3,264.98 | -\$508.90 | \$2,756.08 |

Value: \$220,000 Total Tax Bill: \$2,756.08

| PROPERTY OWNER(S) | MAP COI | DE | LOC | ATION | BILL# | | DISTRICT | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | | | CUMMI | CUMMING RD 30904 | | | 001 - URBAN | SERVICE |
| | BUILDING VALUE | LAND VALUE | ACRES | FAIR MARKET VALUE | DUE DATE | BILLING DATE | DISCOUNT DATE | EXEMPTIONS |
| | \$206,691.00 | \$11,330.00 | 0.2600 | \$218021 | 11/18/2024 | | 2024-10-15 | S1 |
| | DESCRIPTION 2440 CUMMIN | | | G R D | | | | |
| | FMV | 40% ASSESSED VALUE | LESS EXEMPTIONS | TAXABLE VALUE | MILLAGE RATE | GROSS TAX | LESS CREDITS | NET TAX |
| SOLID WASTE COLLECTION | \$218,021.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$320.50 | \$0.00 | \$320.50 |
| URBAN SALES TAX CREDIT | \$218,021.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5.272 | \$0.00 | -\$433.40 | \$0.00 |
| URBAN MAINT & OPERATIONS | \$218,021.00 | \$87,208 | \$5,000 | \$82,208 | 8.807 | \$724.01 | \$0.00 | \$290.61 |
| COUNTY CAPITAL OUTLAY | \$218,021.00 | \$87,208 | \$5,000 | \$82,208 | 0.516 | \$42.42 | \$0.00 | \$42.42 |
| COUNTY SALES TAX CREDIT | \$218,021.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5.783 | \$0.00 | -\$475.41 | \$0.00 |
| COUNTY MAINT & OPERATION | \$218,021.00 | \$87,2 08 | \$5,000 | \$82,208 | 12.251 | \$1,007.13 | \$0.00 | \$531.72 |
| SCHOOL MAINT & OPERATION | \$218,021.00 | \$87,208 | \$5,000 | \$82,208 | 18.330 | \$1,506.87 | \$0.00 | \$1,506.87 |
| TOTALS | | | | | 28.849 | \$3,600.93 | -\$908.81 | \$2,692.12 |

Value: \$218,201 Total Tax Bill: \$2,692.12



Commercial Value - \$190,000

| PROPERTY OWNER(S) | MAP CO | DE | LOC | ATION | BILL# | | DISTRICT | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------|
| | | | CLAR | CLARK ST 30907 | | | 002 - RICHMOND COUNTY | |
| | BUILDING VALUE | LAND VALUE | ACRES | FAIR MARKET VALUE | DUE DATE | BILLING DATE | DISCOUNT DATE | EXEMPTIONS |
| | \$123,770.00 | \$62,724.00 | 0.2400 | \$186494 | 11/18/2024 | | 2024-10-15 | |
| | DESCRIP | ΓΙΟΝ | MARTINEZ TE | R RAC E (00000) 0 | 3B- 0 | | | |
| | FMV | 40% ASSESSED VALUE | LESS EXEMPTIONS | TAXABLE VALUE | MILLAGE RATE | GROSS TAX | LESS CREDITS | NET TAX |
| SOLID WASTE COLLECTION | \$186,494.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$320.50 | \$0. 00 | \$320.50 |
| FIRE TAX | \$186,494.00 | \$74,598 | \$0 | \$74,598 | 1.397 | \$104.21 | \$0. 00 | \$104.21 |
| STREET LIGHT CHARGE | \$186,494.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$107.36 | \$0. 00 | \$107.36 |
| COUNTY CAPITAL OUTLAY | \$186,494.00 | \$74,598 | \$0 | \$74,598 | 0.516 | \$38.49 | \$0. 00 | \$38.49 |
| COUNTY SALES TAX CREDIT | \$186,494.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5.783 | \$0.00 | -\$431.40 | \$0.00 |
| COUNTY MAINT & OPERATION | \$186,494.00 | \$74,598 | \$0 | \$74,598 | 12.251 | \$913.90 | \$0 .00 | \$482.50 |
| SCHOOL MAINT & OPERATION | \$186,494.00 | \$74,598 | \$0 | \$74,598 | 18.330 | \$1,367.38 | \$0. 00 | \$1,367.38 |
| TOTALS | | | | | 26.711 | \$2,851.84 | -\$431.40 | \$2,420.44 |

| PROPERTY OWNER(S) | MAP CO | DE | LOCA | NTION | BILL # | | DISTRICT | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------|
| | | | WALTO | N WAY 30904 | | | 001 - URBAN SERVICE | |
| | BUILDING VALUE | LAND VALUE | ACRES | FAIR MARKET VALUE | DUE DATE | BILLING DATE | DISCOUNT DATE | EXEMPTIONS |
| | \$134,710.00 | \$62,728.00 | 0.1800 | \$197438 | 11/18/2024 | | 2024-10-15 | |
| | DESCRIP | ПОМ | 1542 WALTON | WAY | | | | |
| | FMV | 40% ASSESSED VALUE | LESS EXEMPTIONS | TAXABLE VALUE | MILLAGE RATE | GROSS TAX | LESS CREDITS | NET TAX |
| SOLID WASTE COLLECTION | \$197,438.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$320.50 | \$0. 00 | \$320.50 |
| STREET LIGHT CHARGE | \$197,438.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.000 | \$107.36 | \$0. 00 | \$107.36 |
| URBAN SALES TAX CREDIT | \$197,438.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5,272 | \$0.00 | -\$416.35 | \$0.00 |
| URBAN MAINT & OPERATIONS | \$197,438.00 | \$78,975 | \$0 | \$78,975 | 8.807 | \$695.53 | \$0. 00 | \$279.18 |
| COUNTY CAPITAL OUTLAY | \$197,438.00 | \$78,975 | \$0 | \$78,975 | 0.516 | \$40.75 | \$0.00 | \$40.75 |
| COUNTY SALES TAX CREDIT | \$197,438.00 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | -5.783 | \$0.00 | -\$456.71 | \$0.00 |
| COUNTY MAINT & OPERATION | \$197,438.00 | \$78,975 | \$0 | \$78,975 | 12,251 | \$967.52 | \$0.00 | \$510.81 |
| SCHOOL MAINT & OPERATION | \$197,438.00 | \$78,975 | \$0 | \$78,975 | 18.330 | \$1,447.61 | \$0. 00 | \$1,447.61 |
| TOTALS | TOTALS | | | | | | -\$873.06 | \$2,706.21 |

Value: \$186,494 Total Tax Bill: \$2,420.44

Value: \$197,438 Total Tax Bill: \$2,706.21

Suburban compared to Urban

| | | Suburban | | | | Urban | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|--------|------------|--|
| | 2024 | Mill | | | 2024 Mill | | | | |
| RESIDENTIAL | Rate | | Amount | | Rate | Amou | nt | Difference | |
| \$35,000 House /\$9,000 taxab | le Value | | | | | | | | |
| Countywide | | 168 | \$ | 58.21 | 6.468 | \$ | 58.21 | \$ - | |
| Fire Protection | 1.3 | 397 | | 12.57 | _ | | _ | 12.57 | |
| Capital Outlay | 0.5 | 516 | | 4.64 | 0.516 | | 4.64 | - | |
| Urban Services District | | - | | | 3.535 | | 31.82 | (31.82) | |
| Street Light Assessment | | | | 85.00 | | | - | 85.00 | |
| Garbage | | | | 320.50 | | | 320.50 | - | |
| | Total | _ | \$ | 480.93 | | \$ | 415.17 | \$ 65.76 | |
| \$50,000 House /\$15,000 taxal | ble Value | | | | | | | | |
| Countywide | 6.4 | 168 | \$ | 97.02 | 6.468 | \$ | 97.02 | \$ - | |
| Fire Protection | 1.3 | 397 | | 20.96 | - | | - | 20.96 | |
| Capital Outlay | 0.5 | 516 | | 7.74 | 0.516 | | 7.74 | - | |
| Urban Services District | | - | | - | 3.535 | | 53.03 | (53.03) | |
| Street Light Assessment | | | | 85.00 | | | - | 85.00 | |
| Garbage | | | | 320.50 | | | 320.50 | - | |
| | Total | _ | \$ | 531.22 | | \$ | 478.29 | \$ 52.93 | |

Suburban compared to Urban

| | Sub | Suburban | | Urban | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | 2024 Mill | | 2024 Mill | | |
| RESIDENTIAL | Rate | Amount | Rate | Amount | Difference |
| \$100,000 House /\$35,000 taxable Value | | | | | |
| Countywide | 6.468 | \$ 226.38 | 6.468 | \$ 226.38 | \$ - |
| Fire Protection | 1.397 | 48.90 | - | - | 48.90 |
| Capital Outlay | 0.516 | 18.06 | 0.516 | 18.06 | - |
| Urban Services District | - | - | 3.535 | 123.73 | (123.73) |
| Street Light Assessment | | 85.00 | | - | 85.00 |
| Garbage | | 320.50 | | 320.50 | <u>-</u> |
| | Total | \$ 698.84 | | \$ 688.67 | \$ 10.17 |
| \$150,000 House /\$55,000 taxable Value | | | | | |
| Countywide | 6.468 | \$ 355.74 | 6.468 | \$ 355.74 | \$ - |
| Fire Protection | 1.397 | 76.84 | - | - | 76.84 |
| Capital Outlay | 0.516 | 28.38 | 0.516 | 28.38 | - |
| Urban Services District | - | - | 3.535 | 194.43 | (194.43) |
| Street Light Assessment | | 85.00 | | | 85.00 |
| Garbage | | 320.50 | | 320.50 | <u> </u> |
| | Total | \$ 866.46 | | \$ 899.05 | \$ (32.59) |

Suburban compared to Urban

| | | Suburban | | Urban | | |
|--|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| | | 2024 Mill | | 2024 Mill | | |
| RESIDENTIAL | | Rate | Amount | Rate | Amount | Difference |
| \$200,000 House /\$75,000 taxable Value | | | | | | |
| Countywide | | 6.468 | \$ 485.10 | 6.468 | \$ 485.10 | \$ - |
| Fire Protection | | 1.397 | 104.78 | - | - | 104.78 |
| Capital Outlay | | 0.516 | 38.70 | 0.516 | 38.70 | - |
| Urban Services District | | - | - | 3.535 | 265.13 | (265.13) |
| Street Light Assessment | | | 85.00 | | - | 85.00 |
| Garbage | | | 320.50 | | 320.50 | - |
| | Total | | \$ 1,034.08 | | \$ 1,109.43 | \$ (75.35) |
| \$300,000 House /\$115,000 taxable Value | | | | | | |
| Countywide | | 6.468 | \$ 743.82 | 6.468 | \$ 743.82 | \$ - |
| Fire Protection | | 1.397 | 160.66 | - | - | 160.66 |
| Capital Outlay | | 0.516 | 59.34 | 0.516 | 59.34 | - |
| Urban Services District | | - | - | 3.535 | 406.53 | (406.53) |
| Street Light Assessment | | | 85.00 | | - | 85.00 |
| Garbage | | | 320.50 | | 320.50 | |
| | Total | | \$ 1,369.32 | | \$ 1,530.19 | \$ (160.87) |

Action Requested Today for adopting rollback rates

• Motion to approve 2025 mill rates for each taxing district, advertise the required 5 year history of the digest and to schedule the date of September 2, 2025 for the meeting to adopt the rates proposed.

Questions / Comments

