

ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROPERTY RATES TARIFFS FOR THE 2015/16 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Council on 24 April 2015 noted the 2015/16 – 2017/18 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets for the purposes of further public participation.

The property rates tariffs have been increased by 9,5%, in line with the Council decision of 24 April 2015.

In view of the above and to ensure that all property owners are paying rates on an equitable basis, the following tariffs and rebates are proposed in line with the Municipal Property Rates Act (MPRA), the Municipality's Rates Policy and By-Laws:

Tariffs

| Category | Ratios | Cent/Rand | |
|--|--------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Current Tariffs 2014/15 | Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
| Agricultural Property | 1:0.2 | 0.1778 | 0.1947 |
| Business And Commercial Property | 1:2 | 1.7784 | 1.9474 |
| Industrial Property | 1:2.5 | 2.2231 | 2.4343 |
| Mining Property | 1:2.5 | 2.2231 | 2.4343 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Other | 1:2 | 1.7784 | 1.9474 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Residential | 1:1.5 | 1.3338 | 1.4606 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Residential-Other | 1:1.75 | 1.5562 | 1.7040 |
| Public Benefit Organisations Property | 1:0.25 | 0.2223 | 0.2434 |
| Public Service Infrastructure Property | 1:0.2* | 0.2223 | 0.1947** |
| Residential Property | 1:1 | 0.8892 | 0.9737 |
| Vacant Land | 1:3 | 2.6676 | 2.9211 |

* Ratio prior to the commencement of the phase-in of the prohibition of the levying of rates on Public Service Infrastructure (refer to **) was 1:0.25.

** In terms of the Section 93A of the Municipal Property Rates Act, 29 of 2014 the prohibition of the levying of rates on Public Service Infrastructure must be phased-in over five municipal financial years. The rates levied must, 'in the first year, be no more than 80% of the rate for that year otherwise applicable to that property'

Rebates

| | Total Annual Household Income | % Rebate based on Residential Rate | Cent/Rand | |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | Current Tariffs 2014/15 | Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
| Pensioner's rebate & Disabled Persons | Pensioner's rebate: Between two state pensions and R54,000 | 85% | 0.1334 | 0.1461 |
| | Between R54,001 and R66,900 | 70% | 0.2667 | 0.2921 |
| | Between R66,901 and R79,800 | 55% | 0.4001 | 0.4382 |
| | Between R79,801 and R92,800 | 40% | 0.5336 | 0.5842 |
| | Between R92,801 and R105,700 | 25% | 0.6670 | 0.7303 |
| | Between R105,701 and R118,700 | 10% | 0.8003 | 0.8763 |

| | % Rebate based on Business and Commercial Rate | Cent/Rand | |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Current Tariffs 2014/15 | Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
| Public benefit Organisations | 100% | Nil | Nil |

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| Sporting Bodies: Amateur | 100% | Nil | Nil |
| Sporting Bodies: Professional | 40% | 1.0671 | 1.1684 |

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

- (a) That the Council, in terms of Section 30(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, Act No. 117 of 1998 (as amended) and the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, Act No. 6 of 2004, read in conjunction with the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act. 32 of 2000, the Municipality's Rating Policy and with Chapter 4 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003, and **by resolution taken by majority of its full number**, levies the following rates in the Rand for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, in respect of the various categories of properties as set out below:

| Category | Cent/Rand |
|--|--------------------------|
| | Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
| Agricultural Property | 0.1947 |
| Business And Commercial Property | 1.9474 |
| Industrial Property | 2.4343 |
| Mining Property | 2.4343 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Other | 1.9474 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Residential | 1.4606 |
| Multiple Purpose Property: Residential-Other | 1.7040 |
| Public Benefit Organisations Property | 0.2434 |
| Public Service Infrastructure Property | 0.1947 |
| Residential Property | 0.9737 |
| Vacant Land | 2.9211 |

- (b) That the Council, in terms of Section 30(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, Act 117 of 1998 (as amended) and the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, Act 6 of 2004, read in conjunction with the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000, the Municipality's Rating Policy and with Chapter 4 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003, and **by resolution taken by majority of its full number**, grants the following rebates for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, in respect of the following categories and owners of properties as set out below:

| | Total Annual Household Income | % Rebate based on Residential Rate | Cent/Rand |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
| Pensioner's rebate | Pensioner's rebate: Between two | 85% | 0.1461 |

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|--------|
| and Disabled Persons | state pensions and R54,000 | | |
| | Between R54,001 and R66,900 | 70% | 0.2921 |
| | Between R66,901 and R79,800 | 55% | 0.4382 |
| | Between R79,801 and R92,800 | 40% | 0.5842 |
| | Between R92,801 and R105,700 | 25% | 0.7303 |
| | Between R105,701 and R118,700 | 10% | 0.8763 |

| | % Rebate based on Business and Commercial Rate | Cent/Rand Proposed Tariffs 2015/16 |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Public benefit Organisations | 100% | Nil |
| Sporting Bodies: Amateur | 100% | Nil |
| Sporting Bodies: Professional | 40% | 1.1684 |