

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 12

RESOLUTION NO. 37-2020

Introduced by: The President of the Council at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION TO LEVY AND IMPOSE A PROPERTY TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF A SERVICE CHARGE BY A PROPERTY OWNER UNDER A SEMIANNUAL PAYMENT SCHEDULE; SETTING THE TAX RATES FOR REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AND PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF THE PROPERTY TAX.

WHEREAS, Section 6-302 of the *Tax-Property Article* of the Annotated Code of Maryland requires the governing body of each county to annually set the tax rate for the next taxable year; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-204.3 of the *Tax-Property Article* of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides that a service charge may be imposed on the second installment of any property tax bill paid semiannually; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-204.3 of the *Tax-Property Article* of the Annotated Code of Maryland further requires that the service charge shall be adopted by the governing body as part of the adoption of the property tax rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland, as follows:

1. That a County property tax for the beginning of July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, is hereby levied and imposed on all assessments, persons or property subject to ordinary taxation in Wicomico County; and that the rate of County taxation for such taxable year or real property is hereby fixed at Ninety-Two and Eighty-Six Hundredths Cents (\$0.9286) on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation of such property and that the rate of County taxation for such taxable year for personal property is hereby fixed at Two Dollars and Seventeen and Fifteen Hundredths Cents (\$2.1715) on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation of such property to fund the Board of Education Operating Budget and debt service on School Capital bonds, the operating appropriation to Wor-Wic Community College and debt service, Library, Extension Service and Health Department.
2. That in accordance with and pursuant to the authority of the *Tax-Property Article*, Section 10-204.3 of the Annotate Code of Maryland, there is hereby imposed a semiannual property tax service charge for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, in the amount of 0.02% of the second semiannual property tax bill. The service charge

includes lost earnings and an administrative charge of 10% of the lost interest amount and covers the lost earnings for the period from October 1 through December 31.

3. That the County Executive will cause the property tax to be collected in the manner provided by law.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property tax rate shall be effective July 1, 2020, and shall continue in effect until changed under the laws of the State of Maryland and/or County of Wicomico.

DONE at Salisbury, Maryland this 2nd day of June, 2020.

ATTEST:

Laura Hurley
Laura Hurley, Council Administrator

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO
COUNTY, MARYLAND

Larry W. Dodd (SEAL)
Larry W. Dodd, Council President

CERTIFICATION

THIS RESOLUTION was Adopted , Adopted with Amendments _____, Failed _____, Withdrawn _____ by the County Council on _____, 2020.

Certified by Laura Hurley
Laura Hurley, Council Administrator