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Finance Department Petersburg Borough Mill Rate

The adopted operating mill levy for SA1 in FY24 is 9.2 which is a decrease of .5 mill from FY23. The debt mill levy is 1.64 for FY24, which is a decrease of 0.16 from FY23. This brings the total FY24 mill levy to 10.84.

The Petersburg Borough has two overlapping taxing areas (Areawide, Service Area 1) plus a separate debt service mill levy. Property can be subject to taxation in one or both of these levies plus the debt service mill levy.

Understanding the mill rate:

One mill is equal to one tenth of one percent. In terms of dollars, one mill equals \$1 of taxes per thousand dollars in taxable property value. The FY24 mill rate in service area 1 (old city limits) is 10.84. That means that for every \$1,000 in taxable property value, there is a tax of \$10.84.

In 1991, the City of Petersburg voters approved a 10-mill operational property tax levy restriction on taxable property. This means that the Borough Assembly cannot raise the mill rate above 10 mills (\$10 for every \$1,000 in taxable property value) to support general government operations. This restriction does not apply to tax levies for the debt service on general obligation bonds. Debt service is the amount required to cover the repayment of interest and principal on voter-approved bonds and is in addition to the operational mill levy.

Applying the mill rate:

This example assumes a property with assessed value of \$300,000 in Service Area 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \$300,000 \text{ (property value)} &= 300 \text{ (number of thousands)} \times \$1,000 \\ 300 \text{ (number of thousands)} \times 10.84 \text{ (total mill rate)} &= \$3,252. \text{ (annual property tax)} \end{aligned}$$

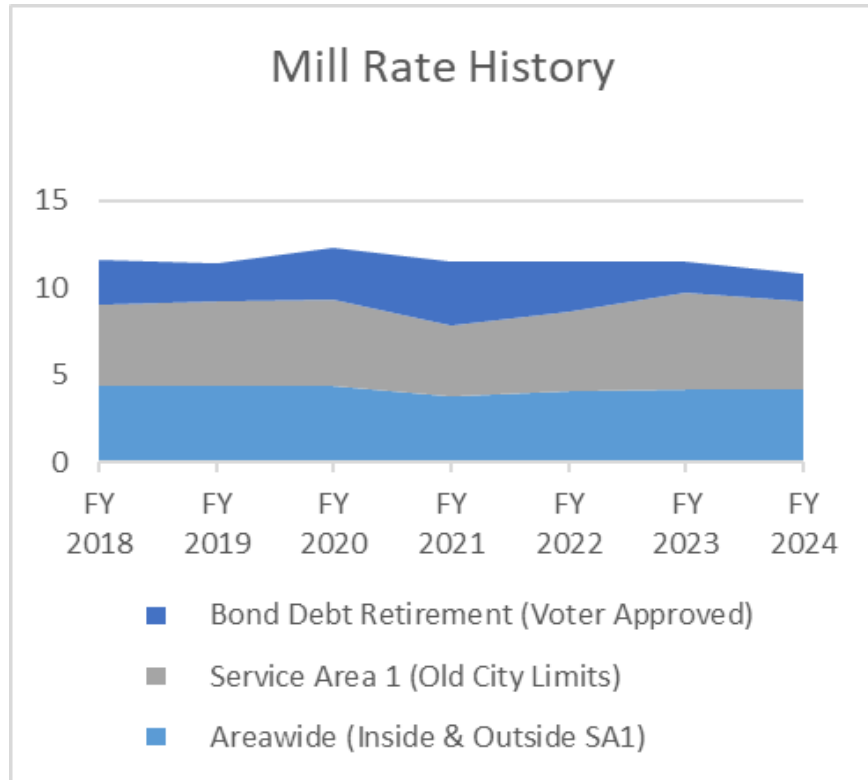
Of that \$3,252 in property tax:

\$2,760 per year, or \$230 per month helps support all aspects of local government including schools, Police, fire protection, roads and sidewalks, libraries, parks, recreational opportunities, etc.

\$492 per year, or \$41 per month, pays for the voter approved bonds.



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Mill Levy	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Areawide (Inside & Outside SA1)	4.4	4.35	4.33	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.2
Service Area 1 (Old City Limits)	4.6	4.9	5	4	4.58	5.5	5
Bond Debt Retirement (Voter Approved)	2.6	2.13	2.97	3.7	2.82	1.8	1.64
Total Mill Rate	11.6	11.38	12.3	11.5	11.5	11.5	10.84