



Summer 2013
City of Wixom
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Summer Taxes

Enclosed is your summer 2013 tax bill. If there are any errors that appear on the bill, please notify our office. If you no longer own this property, please return the tax bill to us with the name and address of the new owner. Your summer tax statement includes tax amounts for the Local School District, State Education, Oakland Schools, Oakland Community College, Oakland County, City and Library.

Description of Items that may Appear in the Special Assessment Section of the Tax Bill

REFUSE COLL FEE - The City includes the solid waste/recycling fee on each homeowner's summer property tax bill instead of billing it separately. The waste/recycling fee remains the same as last year and covers the period of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

DELINQ WATER & DELINQ SEWER - If these items appear on the bill, there were water and/or sewer charges on the property that were six months or more past due. Those amounts were placed on the tax bill.

DELINQ TRANS FEE - This fee is applied if the property has delinquent sewer & water bills that were placed on the property tax bill for collection.

TRIBUTE DRAIN - This drainage district was established in 2005 to fund the construction of the storm drain system in your neighborhood. If your property is affected, you would have received a separate letter providing further details.

Access Your Tax Information

Access your tax information, including payment status, by visiting our website www.wixomgov.org or utilize the toll free telephone number (888) 600-3773.

Payment Methods

If you are a homeowner who pays us directly, you have received an encoded bill. **You must return the top portion of the bill** with your payment. The lower portion of the bill is your receipt along with your cancelled check. If you have an escrow account and you received a bill, forward it to your mortgage company for payment. Please notify us so we can make the change to future bills.

Your payment can be made:

After hours: There is a drop box located in the Police Department lobby and is accessible 24 hours a day.

In person: At the Finance Office in City Hall during business hours (Monday through Thursday; 7:15 am to 5:30 pm).

By mail: For your convenience, we have enclosed an envelope for payments to be made by mail. Please make sure your payment is postmarked by September 3, 2013 to avoid late fees.

Credit Card: Visit our website www.wixomgov.org and choose the "On Line Payments" option or call 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829) and enter Jurisdiction Code 3232. American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa are accepted. This service is provided by Official Payments Corporation and they charge a nominal fee for using this payment method. When making the payment, the system will inform you of the fee prior to accepting the transaction. You can also access additional information on the service, via the Internet.

Direct Debit: Visit our website www.wixomgov.org and choose the "On Line Payments" option. Your payment will be deducted from your checking or savings account.

Remittance Address

Please utilize the remittance address below when mailing property tax payments:

City of Wixom
Tax Collection Processing
PO Box 674205
Detroit, MI 48267-4205

NSF Fee

If your check is returned to the City from your banking institution for non-sufficient funds, a closed account, etc., you will be charged a \$25.00 processing fee.

Late Payments

If payment is received after September 3, 2013, a 4% penalty plus 1% interest per month will be applied. The post date of September 3rd will be accepted. Late fees will not be waived. If this amount is not included in the payment mailed to us, we will accept your payment as a partial payment and bill you for the balance due.

Deferred Summer Taxes

If your total household income did not exceed \$40,000 for 2012 and you qualify under one of the classifications listed below, you may defer payment of your Summer taxes until Feb. 14, 2014. Applications for deferment are available from the Treasurer's Office through September 3, 2013. You may only claim this deferment for your principle residence in which you are living. Classifications include:

1. Senior citizen age 62 by December 31, 2012
2. Paraplegic, Quadriplegic
3. Eligible service personnel, veteran, or widow
4. Blind person
5. Totally and permanently disabled person.

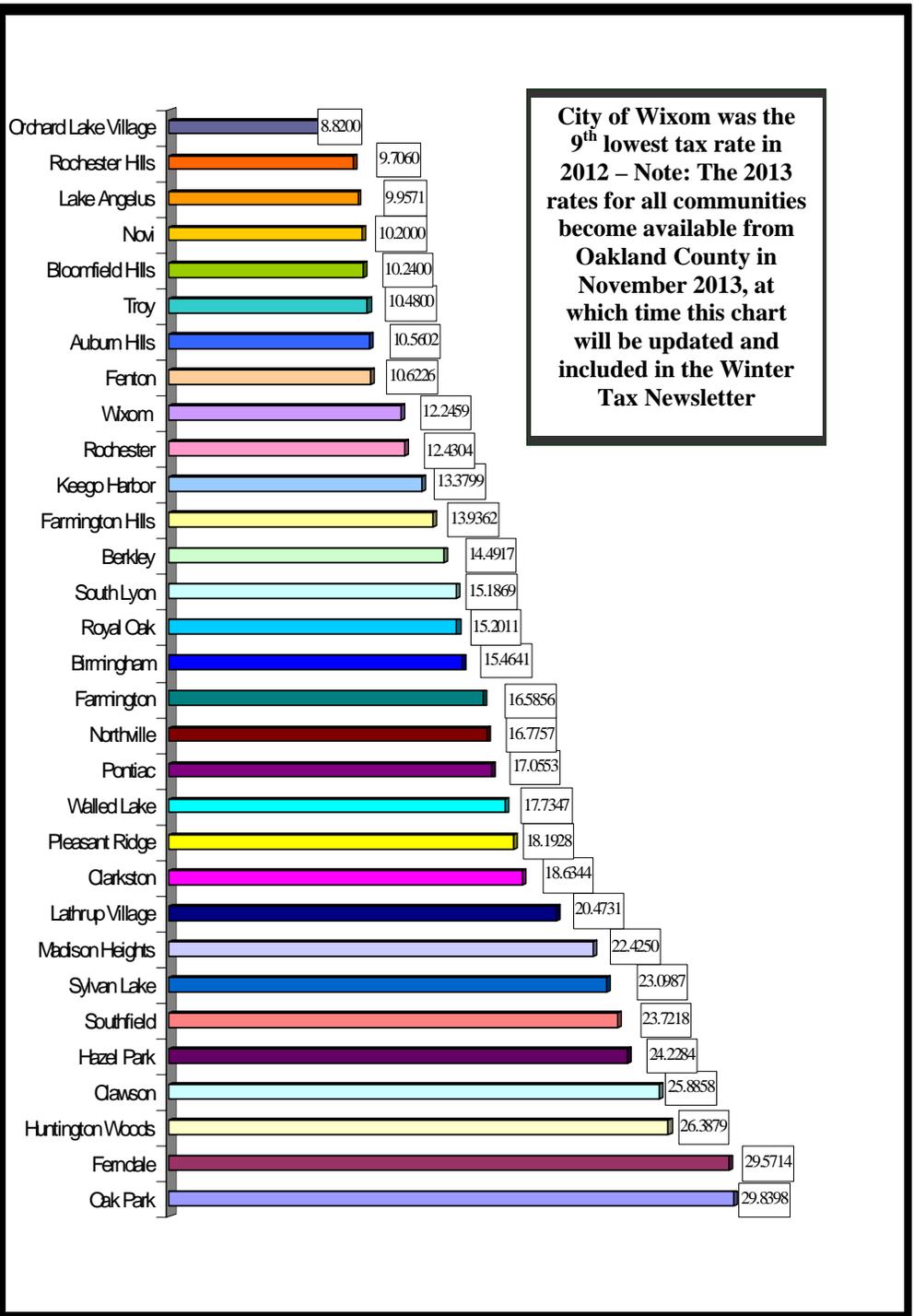
Local Unit Tax Rate

The chart on the right shows the 2012 apportionment of Local City tax rates in Oakland County per \$1000 of taxable value. The City of Wixom is shown as the 9th lowest tax rate out of 31 units listed.

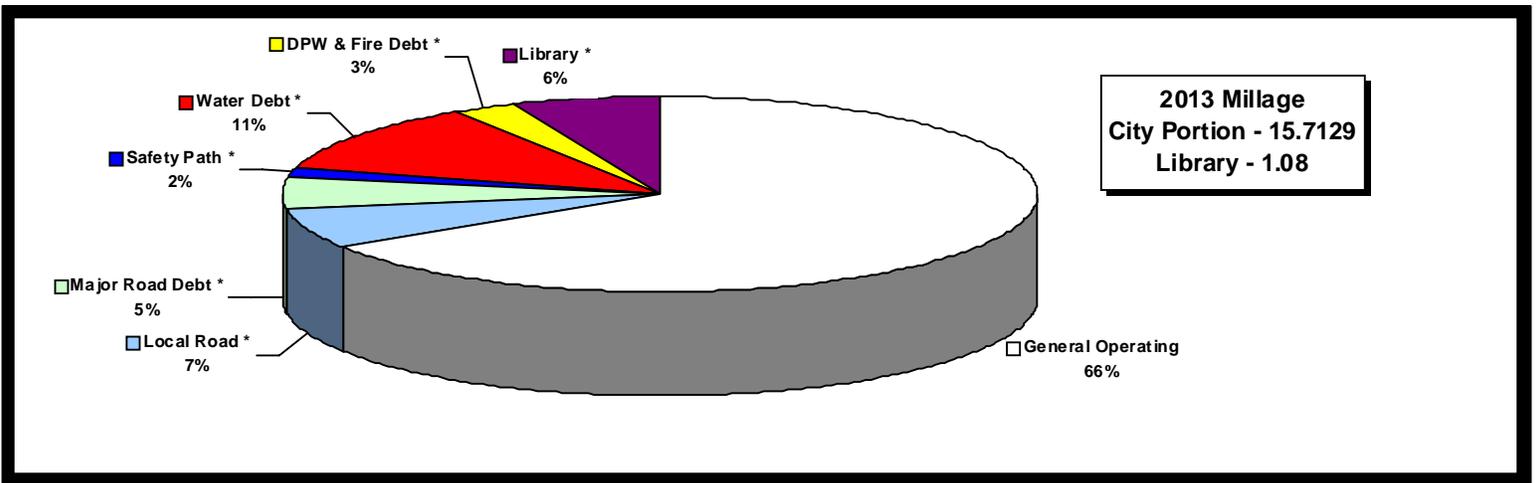
Below is a pie chart showing the 2013 City millage rates by percentage. The General Operating millage is used for the operation of Police, Fire, DPW and other Administrative Departments. The Local Road Program and Bike Path is for the improvement of City roads and bike paths. Other millage rates included in the pie chart are the Major Road Program and DPW & Fire Capital Improvements. These millages are used to pay back debt on bonds for Major Road Improvements and the DPW & Fire Buildings. Water debt service millage is levied to pay the debt on the State Revolving Fund Bonds. The total 2013 millage for the City is 15.7129 and the separately voted Library millage is 1.08. Below is a comparison of the City and Library 2012 and 2013 millage rates.

Description	2012 Millage	2013 Millage	Increase/Decrease
General Operating (Includes Voted Millage)	7.5429	11.0429	3.5000
Local Road	1.1500	1.1500	0.0000
Major Road	0.9000	0.8700	-0.0300
Water Utility	1.8600	1.9000	0.0400
Fire/DPW	0.4930	0.4500	-0.0430
Bike Path	.300	.300	0
Total	12.2459	15.7129	3.467

Library	1.08	1.08	0
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City of Wixom was the 9th lowest tax rate in 2012 – Note: The 2013 rates for all communities become available from Oakland County in November 2013, at which time this chart will be updated and included in the Winter Tax Newsletter



2013 Millage
City Portion - 15.7129
Library - 1.08