



# WINTER 2013 Tax Letter

Winter 2013  
City of Wixom

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### Winter Taxes

Enclosed is your Winter 2013 Tax bill. Please read the information provided on the bill carefully. 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 Winter Tax Statement includes tax amounts due to Oakland County Parks & Recreation, Huron Clinton Metro Authority, Zoo Authority and the Art Institute Authority.

### Access Your Tax Information

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

### 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.

### Payment Methods

If you are a homeowner who pays us directly, you have received an encoded bill that is perforated for easy separation. **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, please forward it to the mortgage company for payment. Also, please notify us so we can make the change to future tax bills.

**Your payment can be made:**

**By mail:** We have enclosed an envelope for payments to be made by mail. Please make sure your payment is postmarked by February 18, 2014 to avoid late fees.

**In Person:** At the Finance Office in City Hall during business hours (Monday – Thursday, 7:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) **(Reminder: City Hall will be closed on Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> and Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> for the holidays)**

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

**Credit Card:** Visit our website [www.wixomgov.org](http://www.wixomgov.org) and choose the “Online Payment” option or call 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829) and enter Jurisdiction Code 3232. This service is provided by Official Payments Corporation and they charge a nominal fee for using this payment method. 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](http://www.wixomgov.org) and choose the “Online Payment” option. When entering your account number, omit the 96 and dashes in the parcel number. Your payment will be deducted from your checking or savings account.

### Remittance Address

Please utilize the remittance address below when mailing property tax payments that are accompanied by your payment stub:

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

If you make online payments through your banking institution, please address payments to the following address, which will expedite the posting of your payment:

City of Wixom  
Treasurers Office  
49045 Pontiac Trail  
Wixom, MI 48393

### Late Payments

If payment is received after February 18, 2014 a 3% penalty will be applied. The postmark date of February 18<sup>th</sup> will be accepted. **Late fees will not be waived.** If the penalty amount is not included with payments made after February 18<sup>th</sup>, we will accept the payment as a partial payment and you are still responsible for the remaining balance. **Beginning March 1, 2014, all taxes must be paid directly to the Oakland County Treasurer, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan 48341. Their phone number is (248) 858-0611.** During the month of March, a revised statement from the Wixom City Treasurer’s office must accompany your remittance to the County Treasurer. This revised statement will include additional penalties to the County.

**\*\*TURN OVER PLEASE**

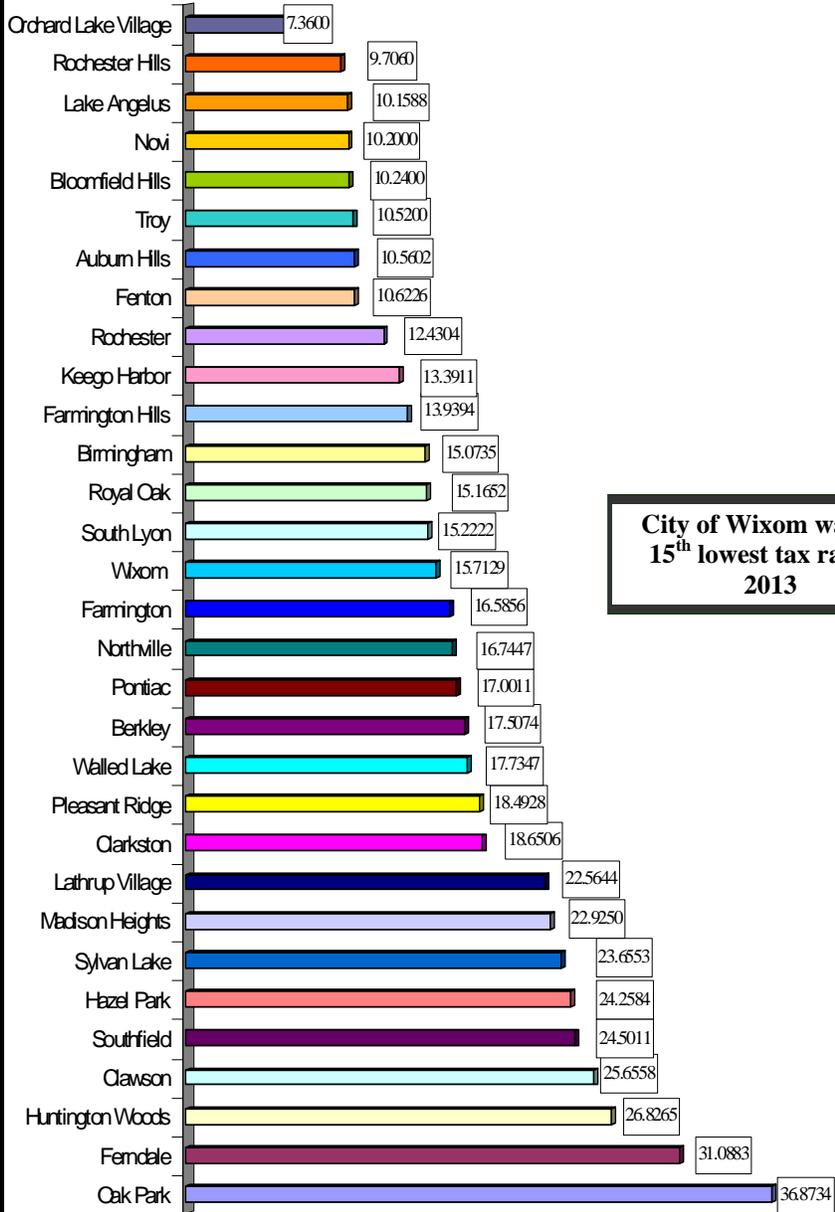
### Local Unit Tax Rate

The chart on the right shows the 2013 apportionment of Local City tax rates in Oakland County per \$1000 of taxable value. The City of Wixom is shown as the 15th lowest tax rate out of 31 units listed.

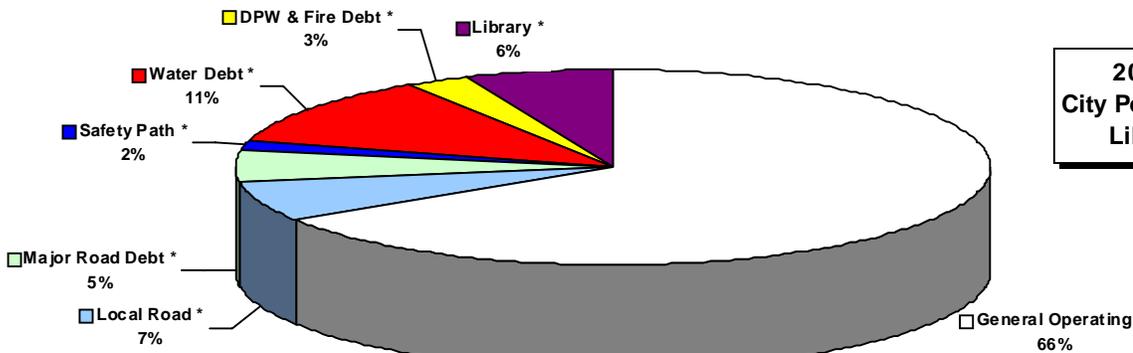
Below is a pie chart showing the 2013 City millage rates by percentage. The General Operating millage is used for the operation of Police, Fire, DPW and other Administrative Departments. The Local Road Program and Bike Path is for the improvement of City roads and bike paths. Other millage rates included 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
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.2459</b>	<b>15.7129</b>	<b>3.467</b>

Library	1.08	1.08	0
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**City of Wixom was the 15<sup>th</sup> lowest tax rate in 2013**



**2013 Millage  
City Portion - 15.7129  
Library - 1.08**