

**TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD  
ORDINANCE NO. 552**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE USE OF THE TOWN FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF SAID TAXES AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST AND PENALTIES ACCRUING THEREON, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD AND THE CODE OF PUBLIC GENERAL LAWS OF MARYLAND, ARTICLE 23A.

**Section 1. Real Property.** Be it enacted and ordained by The Town of Hampstead that a tax of twenty two cents (\$.22) on every one hundred dollars (\$100) of full assessed value of all real property within the corporate limits of The Town of Hampstead, Carroll County, Maryland, be levied for the use of The Town of Hampstead for the period July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, for general purposes, as authorized by the acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, Article VII of the Charter of The Town of Hampstead and as further authorized by Article 23A of The Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland.

**Section 2.** And be it further enacted and ordained that said taxes so levied shall be due and payable in two installments on said real property on September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2024, and interest and penalties shall be chargeable on said taxes on and after October 1, 2024 and January 1, 2025, at the rate of two percent (2%) per month and said taxes shall be a lien on the said property, so assessed, of the taxpayers of said Town, respectively, until paid; as provided by Article VII of the Charter and by Article 23A.

**Section 3.** And be it further enacted and ordained that the tax collector of Carroll County Government be and is hereby authorized, directed, and required to collect the real property taxes levied by this Ordinance and the interest and penalties accruing thereon, in accordance with the aforementioned authorities; and said tax collector shall give notice, by publication in a newspaper of general circulation, and posting a notice hereof in the Town Office, of the time said taxes shall be due and payable and to whom, and when they may be paid.

**Section 4. Business Personal Property.** Be it enacted and ordained by The Town of Hampstead that a tax of fifty five cents (\$.55) on every one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value of all business personal property within the corporate limits of The Town of Hampstead, Carroll County, Maryland, be levied for the use of The Town of Hampstead for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, for general purposes, as authorized by the acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, Article VII of the Charter of The Town of Hampstead and as further authorized by Article 23A of The Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland.

**Section 5.** And be it further enacted and ordained that said taxes so levied shall be due and payable on said business personal and mixed property throughout the period as assessed by the State of Maryland and invoiced by the tax collector, and interest and penalties shall be chargeable on said taxes ninety days after the invoice date, at the rate of two percent (2%) per month and said taxes shall be a lien on the said property, so assessed, personal, and mixed of the taxpayers of said Town, respectively, until paid; as provided by Article VII of the Charter and by Article 23A.

**Section 6.** And be it further enacted and ordained that the tax collector of said Town be and is hereby authorized, directed, and required to collect the business personal and mixed property taxes levied by this Ordinance and the interest and penalties accruing thereon, in accordance with the aforementioned authorities.

**Section 7.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance, it being the intent of the Town that this ordinance shall stand, notwithstanding the invalidity of any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof.

**Section 8.** And be it further enacted and ordained that this ordinance shall be adopted as an emergency ordinance, pursuant to the provisions of Section C2-10(A) of the Charter of the Town of Hampstead and that it shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Introduced this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jim Roark  
Clerk of the Council

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ Council members in favor, \_\_\_\_\_ Council members opposed, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstentions.

Delivered to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jim Roark  
Clerk of the Council

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Christopher M. Nevin  
Mayor

Effective this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Approved as to form  
and legal sufficiency  
this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

MICHELLE M. OSTRANDER, ESQ.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Attorney