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2024 OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL FAQ

Here are answers to frequently asked questions about the 2024 Renewal

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Q: What is requested in the school ballot on August 6, 2024?

A: This proposal would restore and maintain the authority of the Grosse Pointe Public School System (GPPSS) to levy mills for general school district operating purposes.

Q: Will this increase the property tax rate on my home?

A: No. For GPPSS homeowners, this millage restoration will extend the current authority for homeowners and will not increase tax rates over the current authorization.

Q: What are the revenues used for?

A: The revenues raised by this millage are used for general operating expenses of the school district. These include salaries, classroom materials, transportation, building maintenance, and other services that support the district's daily operations.

Q: How will this ballot proposal impact GPPSS homeowners?

A: Under existing law, GPPSS would levy on principal residence property only that portion of the mills (currently 3.7113 mills) necessary to allow the school district to receive the full revenue per pupil foundation allowance permitted by the state.

Q: How does this millage allow GPPSS to maintain the 18 mills on non-homestead property (commercial, industrial, and rental properties)?

A: By restoring the millage, the district can continue to levy the full 18 mills on non-homestead properties, which include commercial, industrial, and rental residential properties. The District must levy 18 mills in order to receive its full per pupil foundation allowance.

Q: If there is a zero increase, why is a vote necessary?

A: A vote is necessary because the original authorization is set to expire with the 2024 tax levy. Restoring the millage allows the district to continue collecting funds at the current rate without interruption. Voting is required by law to reauthorize or extend tax levies.

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Q: What are the details of the Operating Millage Renewal proposal for the GPPSS homeowners?

A: The proposal includes restoring the millage rate to protect against any reductions caused by the Headlee Amendment rollbacks. For homeowners, the millage rate is capped at up to 7.5337 mills. This rate allows the district to maintain necessary funding levels without imposing any new tax increase on primary residences.

Q: What is the maximum levy amount in this operating millage for business owners?

A: For business owners and other non-homestead property owners, the maximum levy amount is 18.00 mills. This includes commercial, industrial, and rental residential properties. Commercial personal property is exempt from 12 of the 18 mills.

Q: Who is eligible to vote for the election on Tuesday, August 6, 2024?

A: Any registered voter residing within the boundaries of the Grosse Pointe Public School System is eligible to vote in this election.

Q: When is Election Day and where do I vote?

A: Election Day is Tuesday, August 6th. Polls are open from 7 AM to 8 PM. You can find your voting location through the Secretary of State website: www.michigan.gov/sos

Q: Why do I see both 18 mills and 20 mills on the ballot?

A: The district is asking to increase the limit on the amount of taxes that can be levied by 20 mills to provide for a 2 mill cushion to protect against Headlee rollbacks. By statute, the district cannot levy more than 18 mills on non-homestead property but must levy 18 mills in order to receive its full per pupil foundation allowance.

Q: Where can I find more information if I have questions?

A: Visit the District's website: www.gpschools.org/millage for more information.



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