

## BYLAW NO. 9177

### The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2014

The Council of The City of Saskatoon enacts as follows:

#### Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as *The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2014*.

#### Definitions

2. In this Bylaw:
  - (a) “**Act**” means *The Cities Act*;
  - (b) “**Agricultural property class**” means the agricultural class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(a) of *The Cities Regulations*;
  - (c) “**City**” means The City of Saskatoon;
  - (d) “**Commercial and Industrial property class**” means the commercial and industrial class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(c) of the Regulations;
  - (e) “**condominium**” means a condominium within the meaning of *The Condominium Property Act, 1993* that is designed and used for or intended to be used for, or in conjunction with, a residential purpose;
  - (f) “**Council**” means the Council of The City of Saskatoon;
  - (g) “**Library Board**” means the Saskatoon Public Library Board;
  - (h) “**library mill rate**” means a special levy for the purpose of raising the amount of money the Library Board estimates is required for the maintenance of the Saskatoon Public Library during that year, exclusive of all fees and other revenues it estimates will be collected or due to the Saskatoon Public Library, and any additional

amount that it considers expedient for permanent improvements in that year;

- (i) **“mill rate”** means a tax rate expressed as mills per dollar (i.e. one mill is equal to 1/1,000 of a dollar or \$1 in tax for every \$1,000 of assessment);
- (j) **“multi-unit residential”** means:
  - (i) land and improvements designed and used for or intended to be used for, or in conjunction with, a residential purpose and to accommodate four or more self-contained dwelling units within a parcel; and
  - (ii) vacant land zoned for use for multiple dwelling units;
- (k) **“privately-owned light aircraft hangar”** means land and improvements designed and used exclusively for the storage and maintenance of non-commercial, privately-owned aircraft and which meet the following conditions:
  - (i) the aircraft must be operated for recreational or non-profit purposes only;
  - (ii) the aircraft must be operated by the owner of the aircraft only;
  - (iii) the property must contain minimal services only;
  - (iv) the hangar must not exceed 280 square metres in area;
  - (v) the property must be situated entirely within the legal boundaries of the land of the Saskatoon Airport Authority;
- (l) **“Regulations”** means *The Cities Regulations*;
- (m) **“Residential property class”** means the residential class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(b) of the Regulations, but does not include condominiums or multi-unit residential property;
- (n) **“tax rate”** means the rate of taxation determined for a class or sub-class of property pursuant to section 255 of the Act and is calculated by multiplying the mill rate by the mill rate factor for each class or sub-class of property.

### **Principles and Purposes of Bylaw**

3. The purpose of this Bylaw is:
  - (a) to authorize Council to impose a tax on all taxable assessments in the City at a uniform rate considered sufficient to raise the amount of taxes required to meet the estimated expenditures and transfers, having regard to estimated revenues from other sources, set out in the budget of the City for 2014;
  - (b) to authorize Council to impose the library mill rate on all taxable assessments in the City for 2014;
  - (c) to establish classes and sub-classes of property for the purposes of establishing tax rates; and
  - (d) to set mill rate factors that, when multiplied by the uniform rates described in clauses 253(2)(a) and (b) of *The Cities Act* establish a tax rate for each class or sub-class of property in Saskatoon for the 2014 taxation year.

### **Mill Rates**

4. Council is hereby authorized to impose a tax on all taxable assessments in the City at the following rates for 2014:
  - (a) the uniform rate considered sufficient to raise taxes for the City under section 253 of the Act ..... 7.2566 mills;
  - (b) the library mill rate required under *The Public Library Act, 1996* ..... 0.7353 mills.

### **Classes and Sub-Classes of Property**

5. (1) The following classes of property are hereby established for the purposes of establishing tax rates pursuant to section 254 of the Act for 2014:
  - (a) the Agricultural class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(a) of the Regulations;
  - (b) the Residential class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(b) of the Regulations;

- (c) the Commercial and Industrial class of assessment of property prescribed for the purpose of mill rate factors pursuant to subsection 255(6) of the Act and clause 15(c) of the Regulations.
- (2) The following sub-classes of the Residential class of assessment of property are hereby established for the purposes of establishing tax rates pursuant to section 254 of the Act for 2014:
  - (a) condominiums;
  - (b) multi-unit residential.
- (3) The following sub-class of the Commercial and Industrial class of assessment of property is hereby established for the purposes of establishing tax rates pursuant to section 254 of the Act for 2014:
  - (a) privately-owned light aircraft hangars.

**Mill Rate Factors**

- 6. (1) The following mill rate factors are hereby set for the classes and sub-classes of property established under section 5:
  - (a) the Agricultural class of assessment of property ..... 1.1684;
  - (b) the Residential class of assessment of property ..... 0.9448;
  - (c) the condominium sub-class of the Residential property class ..... 0.9448;
  - (d) the Multi-unit Residential sub-class of the Residential property class..... 0.9448;
  - (e) the Commercial and Industrial class of assessment of property ..... 1.1684;
  - (f) the privately-owned light aircraft hangar sub-class of the Commercial and Industrial property class ..... 0.6613.
- (2) The mill rate factors set out in subsection (1) shall not apply to the tax required to be levied pursuant to *The Education Act, 1995*.

**Tax Rate**

- 7. (1) The tax rate for the classes and sub-classes of property established under section 5 for the City are:
  - (a) the Agricultural class of assessment of property ..... 0.0084786;
  - (b) the Residential class of assessment of property ..... 0.0068560;
  - (c) the condominium sub-class of the Residential property class ..... 0.0068560;
  - (d) the multi-unit residential sub-class of the Residential property class..... 0.0068560;
  - (e) the Commercial and Industrial class of assessment of property ..... 0.0084786;
  - (f) the privately-owned light aircraft hangar sub-class of the Commercial and Industrial property class ..... 0.0047988.
  
- (2) The tax rate for the classes and sub-classes of property established under section 5 for the Library Board are:
  - (a) the Agricultural class of assessment of property ..... 0.0008591;
  - (b) the Residential class of assessment of property ..... 0.0006947;
  - (c) the condominium sub-class of the Residential property class ..... 0.0006947;
  - (d) the multi-unit residential sub-class of the Residential property class..... 0.0006947;
  - (e) the Commercial and Industrial class of assessment of property ..... 0.0008591;
  - (f) the privately-owned light aircraft hangar sub-class of the Commercial and Industrial property class ..... 0.0004863.

**Calculating Amount of Property Tax**

- 8. The amount of property tax to be imposed pursuant to this Bylaw with respect to a property is calculated by multiplying the taxable assessment for the property by the tax rate to be imposed on that property.

**Total Property Tax Payable**

- 9. Total property tax payable means the total taxes due with respect to a property imposed by the City for itself or for any other taxing authority on whose behalf it collects taxes.

**Dedicated Roadway Preservation and Rehabilitation Tax**

- 10. The property tax increase for 2014 in the amount of approximately 7.2% shall be allocated as follows:

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| Roadway Preservation, Rehabilitation and Maintenance..... | 4.2%        |
| General Revenue.....                                      | <u>3.0%</u> |
| <b>Total Property Tax Increase.....</b>                   | <b>7.2%</b> |

**Coming Into Force**

- 11. This Bylaw comes into force on the day of its final passing.

Read a first time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

Read a second time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

Read a third time and passed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

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 "Donald J. Atchison"  
 Mayor

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 "Joanne Sproule" "SEAL"  
 City Clerk