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South Fulton Announces Intent to Leave Millage Rate Unchanged for 2021 Property Taxes

(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GA – August 11, 2021) – The City of South Fulton last week announced its intention to maintain the city's property tax millage rate of 12.899 mills for tax year 2021.

When a municipal government prepares its annual digests of taxable property, Georgia law requires it to compute a millage rollback rate. That rate must produce the same revenue generated by the previous year's millage rate had no increase in property values occurred. The government then can decide to approve the rollback rate, leave the millage rate the same or raise it.

South Fulton's staff has recommended the mayor and city council maintain the 2020 millage rate for tax year 2021. With the rate held, residents will not see tax increases if their assessed property values remain unchanged from 2020 to 2021.

City officials carefully reviewed all services provided to the community and identified areas where improvements are needed to better serve residents, businesses and visitors. Among the priorities set for fiscal year 2020 are improving public safety response times, quality of life issues, roads and pedestrian safety, green initiatives, recreational facilities and programs and smart development.

Before adopting a final millage rate, the mayor and council must hold three public hearings where the public can express its views. The city held the first of these Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 10 a.m. Additional hearings are planned for Aug. 11 at 6 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 4 p.m. Because of continued COVID-19 concerns these meetings will be conducted virtually and streamed live on the city's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/cityofsouthfulton.

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