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PROMULGATION OF RESOLUTION LEVYING OF RATES

MUNICIPAL NOTICE NO 1/2023

GREATER TAUNG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

RESOLUTION ON LEVYING PROPERTY RATES IN TERMS OF SECTION 14 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT, 2004. (ACT NO 6 OF 2004) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1 JULY 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2024

Notice is hereby given in terms of Sections 14(1) AND (2) of the Local Government Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act 6 of 2004), that at its meeting of 26 May 2023, the Council resolved by way of council resolution number 227_2022/23, to levy the rates on property reflected in the schedule below with effect from 1 July 2023.

CATEGORY OF PROPERTY	RATE RATIO	CENT AMOUNT IN THE RAND
Residential	1:1	R0.01430
Undeveloped Land (Vacant)	1:1.25	R0.01785
Business & Industrial	1:1.25	R0.01785
Government Properties	1:1.25	R0.01785
Public Benefit Organisations	1:00	R0
Public Service Infrastructure	1:00	R0
Agriculture	1:0.25	R0.003575
Agriculture: Bona Fide Farmers	1:0.04	R0.000536

EXEMPTIONS, REDUCTIONS AND REBATES

Residential Properties: For all residential properties, the municipality will not levy a rate on the first R80 000 of the property's market value. The R80 000 is inclusive of the R15 000 statutory impermissible rate as per section 17(1)(h) of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

REBATES IN RESPECT OF A CATEGORY OF OWNERS OF PROPERTY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CATEGORY	APPROVED
Residential: Indigent & Pension Rebate: Income less than R5200	50%
Residential: Pension Rebate: Income between R5201 - R6500	20%



Greater Taung Local Municipality, hereby, in terms of section 6 of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004, has by way of Resolution 227_2022/23 adopted the Municipality's Property Rates By-law set out hereunder.

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MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES BY-LAW

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS section 229(1) of the Constitution requires a municipality to impose rates on property and surcharges on fees for the services provided by or on behalf of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS section 13 of the Municipal Systems Act read with section 162 of the Constitution require a municipality to promulgate municipal by-laws by publishing them in the gazette of the relevant province.

AND WHEREAS section 6 of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 requires a municipality to adopt by-laws to give effect to the implementation of its property rates policy; the by-laws may differentiate between the different categories of properties and different categories of owners of properties liable for the payment of rates;

NO THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Greater Taung Local Municipality, as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

In this by-law, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act No 6 of 2004), shall bear the same meaning unless the context indicates otherwise.

"Municipality" means Greater Taung Local Municipality;

"Property Rates Act" means the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act no 6 of 2004);

"Rates Policy" means the Greater Taung Local Municipality's Property Rates Policy adopted by the Council in terms of sec 3(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004.

2. OBJECTS

The object of this by-law is to give effect to the implementation of the municipality's Rates Policy as contemplated in section 6 of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

3. THE RATES POLICY

The municipality prepared and adopted a Rates Policy as contemplated in terms of the provisions of section 3(1) of the Municipal Property Rates Act. The Rates Policy outlines the municipality's rating practices; therefore, it is not necessary for this By-law to restate and repeat same.

The Rates Policy is hereby incorporated by reference in this By-law. All amendments to the Rates Policy as the Council may approve from time to time, shall be deemed to be likewise incorporated.

The Municipality does not levy rates other than in terms of its Rates Policy and the annually promulgated resolution levying rates which reflects the cent amount in the Rand rate for each category of rateable property.

The Rates Policy is available at the following offices

1. Administration office, Main Street, Taung
2. Municipal Office, Church street, Reivilo
3. Municipal Office, Pudimoe

4. CATEGORIES OF RATEABLE PROPERTIES

The Rates Policy provides for categories of rateable properties determined in terms of section 8 of the Act

5. CATEGORIES OF PROPERTIES AND CATEGORIES OF OWNERS OF PROPERTIES

The Rates Policy provides for categories of properties and categories of owners of properties for the purposes of granting relief measures (exemptions, reductions and rebates) in terms of section 15 of the Act.

6. ENFORCEMENT OF THE RATES POLICY

The Municipality's Rates Policy is enforced through the Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy and any further enforcement mechanisms stipulated in the Act and the Municipality's Rates Policy.

7. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT

This By-law is called the Greater Taung Municipal Property Rates By-law, and takes effect on the date on which it is published in the Provincial Gazette.

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Credit Control and Debt Collection By-Law

Financial year: 2023/2024
Effective: 1 July 2023
Approved date: 26 May 2023
Resolution: 227_2022/23

CREDIT CONTROL AND DEBT COLLECTION BYLAWS

Bylaw

To give effect to the implementation of the Greater Taung Local Municipality 's Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

Preamble

WHEREAS the Greater Taung Local Municipality has adopted a Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy for the current financial year AND WHEREAS section 98 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000), requires a municipal council to adopt bylaws to give effect to the municipality's credit control and debt collection policy; BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Council of the Greater Taung Local Municipality, as follows:

1. Definitions

In this By-Law any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act, shall bear the same meaning in these bylaws, and unless the context indicates otherwise —

"Act" means the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000), as amended from time to time;

“Council” means the Council of the Greater Taung Local Municipality ; and

“rate” or “rates” means a rate on property and or services as approved by council.

2. Objective of the Bylaw

The objective of this bylaw is to —

- i. ensure that all monies due and payable to the Council are collected;
- ii. provide for customer management, credit control procedures and mechanisms and debt collection procedures and mechanisms;
- iii. provide for indigents in a way that is consistent with rates and tariff policies and any national policy on indigents;
- iv. provide for extension of time for payment of accounts;
- iv. provide for charging of interest on arrears, where appropriate;
- v. provide for termination of services or the restriction of the provision of services when payments are in the arrears; and
- vi. provide for matters relating to unauthorized consumption of services, theft, and damages.

3. Application of Bylaw

This bylaw shall only apply to money due and payable to the Council and municipal entity in respect of which the municipality is the parent municipality for —

- a. Assessment rates and taxes levied on the property
- b. Fees, surcharges on fees, charges, and tariffs in respect of municipal services, such as —
 - i. provision of water;
 - ii. refuse removal;
 - iii. sewerage;
 - iv. removal and purification of sewerage;
 - v. electricity consumption;
 - vi. municipal services provided through prepaid meters.
 - (a) all other related costs for services rendered in terms of the property
 - vii. interest which has accrued or will accrue in respect of money due and payable to the Council;
 - viii. surcharges; and
 - ix. collection charges in those cases where the Council is responsible for.
 - (aa) the rendering of municipal accounts in respect of any one or more of the municipal services;
 - (bb) the recovery of amounts due and payable in respect thereof, irrespective whether the municipal services, or any of them, are provided by the Council itself or by a service utility with which it has concluded a service provider agreement to provide a service on the municipality's behalf.

4. Short title and commencement

This Bylaw is the Credit control and Debt collection By-Law of the Greater Taung Local Municipality and takes effect on date of new financial year as indicated.