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TOWN OF BRENTWOOD

ORDINANCE NO: 2014-05

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATE, ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015, BEGINNING JULY 1, 2014 and ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 6-303 of the Tax-Property Article of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*, by July 1st of each year, the Council of the Town of Brentwood shall set the tax rate for the next fiscal year on all assessments of property subject to municipal corporations property tax; and

WHEREAS, a public advertisement and hearing must be held prior to the effective date of the municipal corporation tax rate if the new tax rate will exceed the 2014 Constant Yield Tax Rate as calculated by the State of Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015 shall be the same Fiscal Year 2014 rate of \$0.4107 per \$100 assessed valuation; and will exceed the 2014 Constant Yield Tax Rate of \$0.3966, effective July 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Town of Brentwood Charter Section 601-0, Mayor E. James Cooksey submitted a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015 at the Council Meeting of April 1, 2014, for its review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, the budget provided a complete financial plan for Fiscal Year 2015 and contained estimates of anticipated revenues and proposed expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brentwood Charter Section 603-0 requires the Council to conduct public hearings on the proposed budget prior to adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Council held public hearings, discussed and amended the proposed budget on the following dates: April 1, 2014; April 8, 2014; April 15, 2014; April 22, 2014; April 29, 2014, May 6, 2014 and May 20, 2014.

WHEREAS, after consideration the proposed budget submitted by the Mayor and the comments that were made at the public hearings on the budget and tax rate, the Council adopts the budget and tax rates as set forth in the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brentwood Charter, Section 404.0, Ordinances, states that "No ordinance shall be passed at the meeting at which it is introduced. At any regular meeting or special meeting of the council held no less than six nor more than sixty days after the meeting at which any ordinance was introduced, it shall be passed or passed as amended, or rejected, or its consideration deferred to some specified future date; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BRENTWOOD this 3rd day of June 2014, as follows:

SECTION ONE. Tax Rate- Real Property.

The tax rate for all real property subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood is hereby set at forty-one and 7/10 cents (\$0.4107) per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION TWO. Tax Rate – Personal Property.

The tax rate for all personal property subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per \$100.00 assessed valuation for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION THREE. Tax Rate – Utility Personal Property.

The tax rate for all operating property of railroads and public utilities subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be two dollars (\$2.00) per \$100.00 assessed valuation for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION FOUR. Fee Rate – Multiple Rental Dwelling Units

The fee rate(s) for all multiple rental dwelling units subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) per unit assessed valuation for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION FIVE. Fee Rate – Business License

The fee rate(s) for business licenses subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be one thousand, five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) for Tier I businesses, three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for Tier II businesses, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for Tier III businesses, and one hundred dollars for Tier IV businesses for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION SIX. Fee Rate – Vacant Lot

The fee rate(s) for vacant lot registration subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be five hundred-fifty dollars (\$550.00) for vacant lot registration (residential) and (commercial) properties for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015. All other assessments shall be in accordance with Town of Brentwood Ordinance 2014-02, hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION SEVEN. Fee Rate – Animal Violations

The fee rate(s) for animal violations shall be in accordance with Town of Brentwood Ordinance 2014-01, hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION EIGHT. Fee Rate – Blight Buildings

The fee rate(s) for blighted buildings for the initial offense is one-hundred dollars (\$100.00). Each additional 30 days that the offense continues shall incur an additional two-hundred dollars (\$200), plus the cost to remediate if owner has not taken any corrective action within 30 days from the date the violation is issued. Repeat offenses in the same year shall incur a two-hundred dollars (\$200.00). All other assessments shall be in accordance with Town of Brentwood Ordinance(s) 2014-04 and 2014-02, and hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION NINE. Fee Rate – Unsafe Buildings

The fee rate(s) for unsafe buildings shall be two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) for the initial notification to owner. Failure to comply with the notification shall incur a two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) penalty, if failure to comply continues for 60 days, an additional two-hundred dollars (\$200.00) fee shall be assessed. Failure to comply with notice to vacate shall incur a three-hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00) fee for the first offense, a six-hundred dollars (\$600.00) fee for the second offense, an eight-hundred dollars (\$800.00) fee for the third offense; and a one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the fourth offense. Placard removal shall incur a seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) fee for the first offense, one-hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) fee for the second offense in the same year. All other assessments shall be in accordance with Town of Brentwood Ordinance 2014-02, and hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION TEN. Fee Rate – Vacant Building

The fee rate(s) for vacant building registration subject to taxation by the Town of Brentwood shall be three-hundred dollars (\$300.00) for vacant building registration (residential) and six-hundred dollars (\$600.00) for vacant building registration (commercial) properties for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015. All other assessments shall be in accordance with Town of Brentwood Ordinance 2014-02, and hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION ELEVEN. GENERAL FUND- REVENUES

The following amounts shall be adopted and appropriated as the General Fund budget for all revenue for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

	<u>AS INTRODUCED</u>	<u>AS AMENDED</u>
PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 869,563	\$ 874,563
OTHER TAXES	\$ 162,970	\$ 152,789
LICENSES AND PERMITS REVENUE	\$ 58,359	\$ 115,500
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$ 8,380	\$ 8,380
CHARGE FOR SERVICE REVENUE	\$ 1,000	\$ 7,000
FINES REVENUE	\$ 1,200	\$ 3,450
CABLE TV & VERIZON FEES	\$ 51,200	\$ 52,900
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 4,845	\$ 4,345
BRENTWOOD POLICE NON-GRANT REVENUE	\$ 120,000	\$ 116,500
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED REVENUES	\$ 1,277,517	\$ 1,335,427

PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 297,000	\$ 297,000
VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK	\$ 4,470	\$ 2,218
SPECIAL APPROPRIATION	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
• GOCCP (State Aid for Police Protection)	\$ 20,500	\$ 36,214
CDBG – PY34 INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
CDBG – PY34 FACADE	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
ANACOSTIA TRAIL HERIT	\$ -0-	\$ 1,900
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE		
(Town Center Renovation)	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
(Town Center Bond Bill)	\$ -0-	\$ 150,000
(Town Center Renovation *CL Grant)	\$ -0-	\$ 500,000
DNR OPEN SPACE (Recreation)	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	\$ 424,670	\$ 1,093,332
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$ 1,702,187	\$ 2,428,759

SECTION TWELVE. GENERAL FUND- EXPENDITURES

The following amounts shall be adopted and appropriated as the General Fund budget for all expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

	<u>AS INTRODUCED</u>	<u>AS AMENDED</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 384,177	\$ 397,745
ELECTED OFFICIAL COST	\$ 46,002	\$ 19,952
CODES MANAGEMENT	\$ 75,897	\$ 77,601
BRENTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT (BPD)	\$ 385,563	\$ 399,560
PG COUNTY CONTRACT POLICE	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
BRENTWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,700
MAINTENANCE	\$ 498,192	\$ 204,720
PUBLIC WAYS AND LIGHTING	\$ 73,830	\$ 78,500
SANITATION	\$ 158,400	\$ 161,400
OUTDOOR RESTROOM SPRINKLER	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,400
RECREATION	\$ 11,000	\$ 10,300
CABLE TELEVISION	\$ 51,278	\$ 12,609
TOWN CENTER RESTORATION	\$ 400,000	\$ 710,000
UNFORESEEN CONTINGENCY	\$ 4,931	\$ -0-
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,467,470	\$ 2,077,486

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES	\$ 275,872	\$ 297,000
VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK (Recreation)	\$ 2,218	\$ 2,218
SPECIAL APPROP.	\$ 1,000	\$ -0-
CDBG - PY34 INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
CDBG - PY34 FACADE	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
DNR OPEN SPACE (Recreation)	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED EXPENDITURES	\$ 324,090	\$ 344,218
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$ 1,791,560	\$ 2,421,204

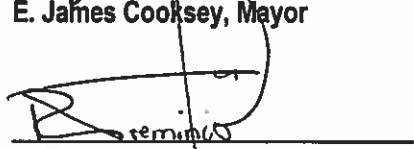
SECTION THIRTEEN. PROVISIONS SEVERABLE. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed as severable and should any section or part thereof be held unconstitutional or for any reason invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction hereto the unaffected portions thereof shall remain valid and shall be given full force and effect.

SECTION FOURTEEN. CONFLICTS: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with any other Ordinance and any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

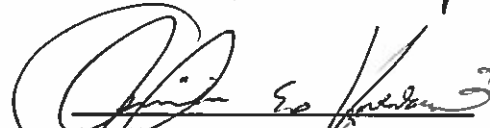
SECTION FIFTEEN. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of thirty (30) calendar days following its adoption or July 1, 2014, whichever is later.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of June , 2014.


 E. James Cooksey, Mayor


 Rocio Treminio-Lopez, Vice Mayor


 Jason Barnett, Council Member


 Jennifer Kravassi, Council Member


 Jennifer Murphy, Council Member

ATTEST:

Jeanette Prevots
Jeanette Prevots, Town Clerk

