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Brookhaven to adopt millage rate

Brookhaven, GA, June 27, 2013 – The Brookhaven City Council will vote July 8 on the city's first millage rate.

Residents will have an opportunity to provide input on the millage rate at a public hearing scheduled for 12:30 p.m. July 8 at Brookhaven Municipal Court, 2 Corporate Blvd., Suite 125. This is the fourth public hearing.

Following the hearing, the council is scheduled to vote at a special called meeting at 1:30 p.m.

The city is currently operating at a 3.35 mills tax rate for its interim budget for fiscal year 2013. Brookhaven's city charter prohibits the council from raising the millage rate above 3.35 mills.

"The city is making every effort to reduce the tax rate. My goal remains the same: for Brookhaven taxpayers to pay equal or less than their previous tax rate while receiving better quality city services," Mayor J. Max Davis said.

State law considers the millage rate a tax increase because as a new city, Brookhaven previously had a zero millage rate.

In March, the Council approved a \$16.465 million annual budget. The budget includes operating expenses for the city, including administration, police, community development, parks and recreation, public works, legal and other city services.

For more information, view finance director Bonnie Kline's budget presentation at http://www.brookhavenga.gov/uploads/2013_Millage_Rate_Hearings_2.pptx.

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