

## **Taxes and their use:**

**City Operating:** voted millage allowed by City Charter for General Fund services provided by the City – public safety, public works, general government, recreation & cultural

**Transportation:** voted millage (approved May 18, 1976, in perpetuity) to support local costs of Harbor Transit

**Museum:** voted millage (through 2017) for Tri Cities Museum

**Council on Aging:** voted millage (2015 through 2024) for North Ottawa Area Council on Aging activities

**Community Center:** voted millage (approved August 8, 2000, through 2021) for Community Center operations including debt service. Currently 100% of this millage is used for debt service payments (principal and interest)

**MSDDA** (Main Street Downtown Development Authority): millage for services to the DDA, established by State law upon inception of the DDA in November 1979). This millage is only applied to properties within the boundaries of the DDA

**District Library:** voted millage for Loutit District Library services and building debt service

**Intermediate School:** voted millage for the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District

**GH Schools Operating:** voted millage for school operating costs – charged only on non-homestead properties

**GH Schools Debt:** voted millage for school building debt service

**State Education Tax:** voted millage (six mills under 1994 Proposal A) ending homestead property taxes for school operations. Non-homestead properties pay school operating taxes

**Infrastructure 2008:** (Debt Service): voted millage (one mill approved November 6, 2007 through 2027) for debt service on \$9,400,000 in bonds for water, sewer, streets, and sidewalks projects

**Infrastructure 2015:** (Debt Service): voted millage (one mill approved not to exceed twenty years) for debt service on \$7,185,000 in bonds for water, sewer, streets, and sidewalks projects

**Brownfield Debt:**  $\frac{3}{4}$  mill for 2006 Brownfield Bond debt service. A \$15,095,000 bond was issued for public infrastructure and environmental costs in 2006. About \$11,000,000 was spent on replacing Jackson Street, Sixth Street, Adams Street, old water and sewer lines and environmental cleanup, public infrastructure on the Grand Landing project site. The millage will be reserved and invested until needed for payment on debt service only. If not needed for debt service, this revenue will be used on infrastructure projects (water, sewer, streets).

**County Operating:** voted millage for Ottawa County operations

**County Roads:** voted millage 2015-2024