#### **Real Property Taxes**

New York State authorized the City of Yonkers to levy property taxes on the value of the property, and the tax rate determines the amount of real estate taxes paid by a property owner. Taxes are billed annually and can be paid in three equal installments (July, October and January). The City is restricted by the State Constitution to the amount of taxes that can be levied for operating purposes. The limitation is 2% of the average full value assessment for the past 5 years. The first step in determining the maximum amount of tax levy is to calculate the City average full assessment. The State supplies the special assessment rate percentage used in calculating the full assessment. These figures are based on real estate market conditions over the past twenty years. The total estimated maximum amount for operating purposes is \$304,067,494 for FY 2018.

The City is using \$283,298,661 of the tax margin leaving \$20,768,833 available in taxing power. The City is allowed to levy property taxes for certain items above the 2% tax margin, including: debt services payments, tax certiorari payments, judgment and claims payments, and operating capital.

The following page has a summary of City of Yonkers taxable assessed value and loss of taxing power since 1989.

#### **Real Property Taxes**

|       |                     | Decrease from Prior | <b>Loss of Taxing Power</b> |
|-------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Year  | City Assessed Value | Year                | since 1989                  |
| 2018  | 471,779,071         | 798,275             | 158,059,274                 |
| 2017  | 472,577,346         | (335,632)           | 156,497,028                 |
| 2016  | 472,241,714         | 516,118             | 150,459,644                 |
| 2015  | 472,757,832         | 2,567,873           | 144,475,253                 |
| 2014  | 475,325,705         | 3,697,360           | 141,868,237                 |
| 2013  | 479,023,065         | (2,925,331)         | 136,910,455                 |
| 2012  | 476,097,734         | 7,749,094           | 134,330,373                 |
| 2011  | 483,846,828         | 5,236,062           | 123,330,342                 |
| 2010  | 489,082,890         | 13,769,445          | 115,445,100                 |
| 2009  | 502,852,335         | 5,846,753           | 101,344,815                 |
| 2008  | 508,699,088         | 1,985,125           | 91,181,701                  |
| 2007  | 510,684,213         | 6,094,734           | 85,859,999                  |
| 2006  | 516,778,947         | 3,948,244           | 80,380,869                  |
| 2005  | 520,727,191         | 4,064,351           | 74,895,677                  |
| 2004  | 524,791,542         | 7,656,898           | 63,494,450                  |
| 2003  | 532,448,440         | 3,223,608           | 56,671,523                  |
| 2002  | 535,672,048         | 4,396,567           | 52,475,454                  |
| 2001  | 540,068,615         | 350,334             | 48,933,877                  |
| 2000  | 540,418,949         | 2,649,480           | 44,515,660                  |
| 1999  | 543,068,429         | 3,333,158           | 42,078,029                  |
| 1998  | 546,401,587         | 5,606,589           | 40,059,768                  |
| 1997  | 552,008,176         | 13,245,809          | 38,394,219                  |
| 1996  | 565,253,985         | 24,568,385          | 31,483,958                  |
| 1995  | 589,822,370         | 26,797,548          | 23,917,776                  |
| 1994  | 616,619,918         | 19,267,087          | 15,771,967                  |
| 1993  | 635,887,005         | 9,874,939           | 10,453,267                  |
| 1992  | 645,761,944         | 14,012,474          | 7,519,459                   |
| 1991  | 659,774,418         | 8,646,225           | 4,297,715                   |
| 1990  | 668,420,643         | 12,830,536          | 2,404,658                   |
| 1989  | 681,251,179         | -                   | -                           |
| Total |                     | \$ 209,472,108      | \$ 2,177,510,547            |

<sup>\*</sup> Prior to 1989 taxable value was increasing.

The loss of assessed value is due mainly to commercial and utilities companies receiving tax assessment reductions over this period of time. In addition, the City has not done a reassessment since 1954. The loss of taxing power calculation is based on tax rate in effect for the year multiplied by the loss in assessment value since 1989.

The tax rate for FY 2018 is \$754.56 per thousand dollars of assessed value (AV). The tax rate is divided between the City and the School District. The school rate is \$520.30 per thousand dollars AV, and the City is \$234.26 per thousand dollars AV. The total levy for FY 2018 is \$356,243,271, an increase of \$0.81 million over FY 2017, an approximately 0.23 percent increase.

# City of Yonkers Assessed Valuation Comparison

|                                      | FY 2017<br>Adopted | FY 2018<br>Adopted | Dollar<br>Change  | %<br>Change |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| <u>City</u>                          |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Real Estate                          | \$<br>711,105,016  | \$<br>709,575,546  | \$<br>(1,529,470) | -0.22%      |
| Special Franchise                    | 27,289,654         | 29,189,585         | 1,899,931         | 6.96%       |
| Subtotal                             | \$<br>738,394,670  | \$<br>738,765,131  | \$<br>370,461     | 0.05%       |
| <u>Less:</u>                         |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Wholly and Partially Exempt          |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Properties                           | \$<br>263,825,296  | \$<br>266,485,363  | \$<br>2,660,067   | 1.01%       |
| Veteran Exemption                    | 1,992,028          | 500,697            | (1,491,331)       | -74.86%     |
| Subtotal                             | \$<br>265,817,324  | \$<br>266,986,060  | \$<br>1,168,736   | 0.44%       |
| Total Taxable                        |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Assessed Value - City                | \$<br>472,577,346  | \$<br>471,779,071  | \$<br>(798,275)   | -0.17%      |
| School District                      |                    |                    |                   |             |
| <b>Taxable Assessed Value - City</b> | \$<br>472,577,346  | \$<br>471,779,071  | \$<br>(798,275)   | -0.17%      |
| Plus:                                |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Veterans' Exemptions Taxable for     |                    |                    |                   |             |
| School Purposes                      | 1,992,028          | 500,697            | (1,491,331)       | -74.86%     |
| <b>Total Taxable Assessed</b>        |                    |                    |                   |             |
| Value - Education                    | \$<br>474,569,374  | \$<br>472,279,768  | \$<br>(2,289,606) | -0.48%      |

# City Of Yonkers Property Tax Calculation

|                               | FY 2014           |    | FY 2015     |    | FY 2016     |    | FY 2017     |    | FY 2018     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|
| <b>Board of Education</b>     |                   |    |             |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Operating Expenditures        | \$<br>507,750,047 | \$ | 498,952,093 | \$ | 524,314,639 | \$ | 539,312,202 | \$ | 557,311,406 |
| Debt Service                  | 22,203,741        |    | 23,901,875  |    | 26,184,759  |    | 30,939,507  |    | 33,429,343  |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>     | \$<br>529,953,788 | \$ | 522,853,968 | \$ | 550,499,398 | \$ | 570,251,709 | \$ | 590,740,749 |
| Less Non-Property Tax Revenue | 298,478,334       |    | 288,680,380 |    | 300,690,830 |    | 312,927,621 |    | 329,598,828 |
| Less Sales Tax - Education    | -                 |    | -           |    | 11,352,096  |    | 14,832,960  |    | 15,415,552  |
| Tax Levy                      | \$<br>231,475,454 | \$ | 234,173,588 | \$ | 238,456,472 | \$ | 242,491,128 | \$ | 245,726,369 |
| Assessed Valuation            | \$<br>482,518,425 | \$ | 480,482,620 | \$ | 474,473,777 | \$ | 474,569,374 | \$ | 472,279,768 |
| Tax Rate per \$1000 A.V.      | \$<br>479.72      | \$ | 487.37      | \$ | 502.57      | \$ | 510.97      | \$ | 520.30      |
| \$ Change vs. Prior Year      | \$<br>12.55       | \$ | 7.65        | \$ | 15.20       | \$ | 8.40        | \$ | 9.33        |
| % Change vs. Prior Year       | 0.66%             |    | 1.59%       |    | 3.12%       |    | 1.67%       |    | 1.83%       |
| City                          |                   |    |             |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Total Tax Levy                | \$<br>330,920,260 | \$ | 335,448,551 | \$ | 341,072,515 | \$ | 355,432,328 | \$ | 356,243,271 |
| Less B.O.E. Levy              | 231,475,454       |    | 234,173,588 |    | 238,456,472 |    | 242,491,128 |    | 245,726,369 |
| City Tax Levy                 | \$<br>99,444,806  | \$ | 101,274,963 | \$ | 102,616,043 | \$ | 112,941,200 | \$ | 110,516,902 |
| Assessed Valuation            | \$<br>475,325,705 | \$ | 472,757,832 | \$ | 472,241,714 | \$ | 472,577,346 | \$ | 471,779,071 |
| Tax Rate per \$1000 A.V.      | \$<br>209.21      | \$ | 214.22      | \$ | 217.30      | \$ | 238.99      | \$ | 234.26      |
| \$ Change vs. Prior Year      | \$<br>(0.64)      | \$ | 5.01        | \$ | 3.08        | \$ | 21.69       | \$ | (4.73)      |
| % Change vs. Prior Year       | -0.30%            |    | 2.39%       |    | 1.44%       |    | 9.98%       |    | -1.98%      |
| Total Tax Rate                |                   |    |             |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Tax Rate per \$1000 A.V.      | \$<br>688.93      | \$ | 701.59      | \$ | 719.87      | \$ | 749.96      | \$ | 754.56      |
| \$ Change vs. Prior Year      | \$<br>11.91       | \$ | 12.66       | \$ | 18.28       | \$ | 30.09       | \$ | 4.60        |
| % Change vs. Prior Year       | 1.76%             |    | 1.84%       |    | 2.61%       |    | 4.18%       |    | 0.61%       |

## City of Yonkers Combined Property Tax Levy Components

|                                | FY 2014           | FY 2015           | FY 2016           | FY 2017           | FY 2018           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2% Tax Constitutional Limit    | \$<br>267,441,243 | \$<br>268,832,808 | \$<br>269,535,822 | \$<br>277,709,662 | \$<br>283,298,661 |
| Debt Service Exclusion         | 61,169,074        | 64,274,846        | 69,315,873        | 75,483,066        | 70,652,042        |
| City Operating Capital         | 114,787           | 116,287           | 128,267           | 133,767           | 133,767           |
| City Capital Labor             | 695,156           | 724,610           | 592,553           | 605,833           | 658,801           |
| Tax Certiorari Payments        | 500,000           | 500,000           | 500,000           | 500,000           | 500,000           |
| Judgment & Claims              | 1,000,000         | 1,000,000         | 1,000,000         | 1,000,000         | 1,000,000         |
| <b>Total Property Tax Levy</b> | \$<br>330,920,260 | \$<br>335,448,551 | \$<br>341,072,515 | \$<br>355,432,328 | \$<br>356,243,271 |
|                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| 2% Constitutional Limit        | \$<br>284,251,255 | \$<br>308,470,627 | \$<br>306,356,605 | \$<br>306,608,604 | \$<br>304,067,494 |
|                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Expend. Subject to 2% Limit    | \$<br>267,441,243 | \$<br>268,832,808 | \$<br>269,535,822 | \$<br>277,709,662 | \$<br>283,298,661 |
|                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Constitutional Tax Margin      | \$<br>16,810,012  | \$<br>39,637,819  | \$<br>36,820,783  | \$<br>28,898,942  | \$<br>20,768,833  |

## City of Yonkers FY 2018 - 2% Constitutional Tax Limit Calculation

| Fiscal<br>Year | Property      | Franchise     | City<br>Charitable<br>A. V. |    | et Exempt. | School<br>Taxable<br>exempt. A.V. |        | Full Value           |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----|------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------------------|
| FY 2014        | \$450,208,617 | \$ 25,117,088 | \$475,325,705               | \$ | 7,192,720  | \$482,518,425                     | 3.11%  | \$<br>15,515,061,897 |
| FY 2015        | \$446,758,228 | \$ 25,999,604 | \$472,757,832               | \$ | 7,724,788  | \$480,482,620                     | 3.10%  | \$<br>15,499,439,355 |
| FY 2016        | \$444,952,060 | \$ 27,289,654 | \$472,241,714               | \$ | 2,232,063  | \$474,473,777                     | 3.08%  | \$<br>15,404,992,760 |
| FY 2017        | \$445,287,692 | \$ 27,289,654 | \$472,577,346               | \$ | 1,992,028  | \$474,569,374                     | 3.15%  | \$<br>15,065,694,413 |
| FY 2018        | \$442,589,486 | \$ 29,189,585 | \$471,779,071               | \$ | 500,697    | \$472,279,768                     | 3.25%  | \$<br>14,531,685,169 |
|                |               |               |                             |    |            |                                   |        |                      |
|                |               |               |                             |    |            | Five Year Total                   |        | \$<br>76,016,873,594 |
|                |               |               |                             |    |            | Five Year Avera                   | age    | \$<br>15,203,374,719 |
|                |               |               |                             |    |            | 2% of Five Year                   | r Avg. | \$<br>304,067,494    |

### City of Yonkers Comparison of Taxing Power and Its Use

|   |    | FY 2017<br>Adopted | FY 2018<br>Adopted   | 7 2018 Adopted -<br>7 2017 Adopted | %<br>Change |  |
|---|----|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Five Year Average - Full Valuation        | \$ | 15,330,430,225     | \$<br>15,203,374,719 | \$<br>(127,055,506)                | -0.8%       |  |
| 2% of Five Year Average                   | \$ | 306,608,605        | \$<br>304,067,494    | \$<br>(2,541,110)                  | -0.8%       |  |
| Total Debt & Capital Exclusion            |    | 77,722,666         | 72,944,610           | (4,778,056)                        | -6.1%       |  |
| <b>Maximum Taxing Power</b>               | \$ | 384,331,271        | \$<br>377,012,104    | \$<br>(7,319,166)                  | -1.9%       |  |
| City Tax Levy                             |    |                    |                      |                                    |             |  |
| Operating                                 | \$ | 63,672,419         | \$<br>69,220,015     | \$<br>5,547,596                    | 8.7%        |  |
| Total Debt & Capital Exclusions           |    | 49,268,781         | 41,296,887           | (7,971,894)                        | -16.2%      |  |
| <b>Total City Expenditures</b>            | \$ | 112,941,200        | \$<br>110,516,902    | \$<br>(2,424,298)                  | -2.1%       |  |
| School District Tax Levy                  |    |                    |                      |                                    |             |  |
| Operating                                 | \$ | 214,037,243        | \$<br>214,078,646    | \$<br>41,403                       | 0.0%        |  |
| Total Debt & Capital Exclusions           |    | 28,453,885         | 31,647,723           | 3,193,838                          | 11.2%       |  |
| <b>Total School District Expenditures</b> | \$ | 242,491,128        | \$<br>245,726,369    | \$<br>3,235,241                    | 1.3%        |  |
| Combined Tax Levy                         |    |                    |                      |                                    |             |  |
| Operating                                 | \$ | 277,709,662        | \$<br>283,298,661    | \$<br>5,588,999                    | 2.0%        |  |
| Total Debt & Capital Exclusion            |    | 77,722,666         | 72,944,610           | (4,778,056)                        | -6.1%       |  |
| Total Tax Levy Expenditures               | \$ | 355,432,328        | \$<br>356,243,271    | \$<br>810,943                      | 0.2%        |  |
| Constitutional Tax Margins                | \$ | 28,898,943         | \$<br>20,768,833     | \$<br>(8,130,109)                  | -28.1%      |  |

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