

City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

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TO: Eric Campbell, City Manager

FROM: Karen Rose, Commissioner of the Revenue

DATE: August 29, 2018

RE: Percentage of Personal Property Tax Relief for the Year 2018

<u>Summary:</u> The Commissioner of the Revenue and Finance Director have determined that the final percentage of personal property tax relief for the year 2018 to be twenty-six and four tenths percent (26.4%).

<u>Background:</u> The Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 provides tax relief for any passenger car, motorcycle, pickup or panel truck having a registered gross weight of less than \$10,000 pounds and used for non-business purposes or registered with light duty pickup license plates. The \$1,522,583 the city receives from the Commonwealth each year must be spread among the qualifying vehicles.

Key Issues: In 2018, the total assessed value of qualifying vehicles was \$172,368,843. There were 3,096 vehicles with values of \$1,000 or less, 23,468 vehicles with values of \$1,001 to \$20,000 and 1,505 vehicles with values greater than \$20,000.

Environmental Impact: None

Fiscal Impact: \$1,534,378

Prior Actions: None

Alternatives: (a) approve the percentage of personal property tax relief

(b); or

Community Engagement: None

Recommendation: Staff recommends you approve the percentage

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<u>Attachments:</u> Resolution Setting the Percentage of Personal Property Tax Relief to Tax Year 2018 and Analysis of PPTRA Calculation.

Review:

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.

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