

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM,  
COUNTIES OF LEHIGH AND NORTHAMPTON,  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING  
THE TAX RATE FOR ALL CITY PURPOSES  
FOR THE YEAR 2026.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The following Tax Rate for All City Purposes is hereby adopted for 2026 and appropriations are hereby made to the various projects as indicated below.

SECTION 2. That a tax be paid and the same is hereby levied on all persons and real property within the said City subject to taxation for City purposes for the fiscal year, as follows:

Northampton County

Tax for the year 2026 for General City purposes, the sum of eight and sixty-one hundredths (8.61) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Public Safety purposes, the sum of six and seventy hundredths (6.70) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Debt purposes, the sum of three and ten hundredths (3.10) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Landfill Debt purposes, the sum of forty hundredths (.40) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Library purposes, the sum of eighty-three hundredths (.83) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

Lehigh County

Tax for the year 2026 for General City purposes, the sum of two and seventy-two hundredths (2.72) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Public Safety purposes, the sum of two and twelve hundredths (2.12) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

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For Debt purposes, the sum of ninety-eight hundredths (.98) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Landfill Debt purposes, the sum of thirteen hundredths (.13) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

For Library purposes, the sum of twenty-six hundredths (.26) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation.

<u>Purpose</u>	Northampton County Mills on Each Dollar of <u>Assessed Valuation</u>	Lehigh County Mills on Each Dollar of <u>Assessed Valuation</u>
General	8.61	2.72
Public Safety	6.70	2.12
Debt	3.10	.98
Landfill Debt	.40	.13
Library	<u>.83</u>	<u>.26</u>
<b>Total - All Purposes</b>	19.64	6.21

SECTION 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance will take effect January 1, 2026.

Sponsored by: /s/ \_\_\_\_\_

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_

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PASSED finally in Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2025.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

This Ordinance was approved approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2025.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor