

Ordinance No.: 20-04
Introduced: April 13, 2020
Adopted: May 11, 2020
Effective Date: July 1, 2020

THE TOWN OF GLEN ECHO

**SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021**

WHEREAS, Local Government Article, Section 5-202 of the Maryland Code grants to the legislative body of every incorporated municipality in Maryland, including the Town of Glen Echo, general power to pass such ordinances not contrary to the Constitution of Maryland, or public general law, as they may deem necessary in order to assure that good government of the municipality, to protect and preserve the municipality's rights, property, and privileges, to preserve peace and good order, to secure persons and property from danger and destruction, and to protect the health, comfort and convenience for the citizens of the municipality;

WHEREAS, Maryland Code, Tax-Property Article, Section 6-203, as amended, grants authority to municipal corporations to levy a tax on personal property, land, and improvements thereon, within the municipal corporation;

WHEREAS, Maryland Code, Local Government Article, Section 5-205, as amended, authorizes the legislative body of each municipal corporation in the State of Maryland to spend money for any public purpose and to affect the safety, health, and general welfare of the municipality and its occupants;

WHEREAS, Sections 413 and 415 of the Charter of the Town of Glen Echo authorize the Town Council to pass ordinances not contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland or the Charter of the Town of Glen Echo;

WHEREAS, Section 414(5) of the Charter of the Town of Glen Echo authorizes the Town Council to appropriate municipal moneys for any purpose within the powers of the Town Council, and Section 613 of the Charter, authorizes the Town Council to levy a tax on all real and personal property in the Town at the rate determined in accordance with Section 613 of the Town Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council introduced the following Ordinance in public session assembled on the 13th day of April 2020;

WHEREAS, the Town Council, after proper notice to the public, considered the following Ordinance at a public hearing held on the 11th day of May 2020;

WHEREAS, prior to adopting this Ordinance, the Town Council held public meetings on March 9, April 13, and May 11, 2020 to discuss and adopt tax rates for the forthcoming fiscal year and, by the attached resolution, adopted tax rates for the forthcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the Ordinance as hereinafter set forth is necessary in order to assure the good government of the municipality, to protect and preserve the municipality's rights, property, and privileges, to preserve peace and good order, to secure persons and property from danger and destruction, and to protect the health, comfort and convenience of the citizens of the Town, and otherwise advantageous and beneficial to the Town.

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Council does hereby adopt the foregoing Ordinance:

BE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 11th day of May 2020, by the Town Council, acting under and by virtue of the authority given it by the Maryland Code and the Town Charter, that the attached Budget be and is hereby adopted.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, by the Town Council, acting under and by virtue of the authority granted to it by the Maryland Code and the Town Charter, that:

- (1) Pursuant Maryland Code, Local Government Article, Section 5-205(b)(4), the Town Council may spend money for a purpose different from the purpose for which the money was appropriated or spend money not appropriated in the attached budget if approved by a two-thirds vote of the Town Council;
- (2) If any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdictions to be invalid, the part or provision held to be invalid shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any remaining part thereof; and
- (3) This Ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of July 2020.

Attest:

I hereby attest that the above Ordinance was duly adopted by the Town Council on the 11th day of May 2020, by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 in opposition.

Date: May 12, 2020

Elijah Oh Bora
Town Manager/Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Glen Echo

Approved:

Date: May 12, 2020

Willem Polak
Willem Polak, Mayor
Town of Glen Echo