CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 1140

Introduced by _____

Council Member Boyer

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAVRE DE GRACE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND SECTIONS 33 AND 34 OF THE HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CHARTER, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 177, ARTICLE V: TAXATION

On: ______ February 20, 2024____

at: _____7:00 p.m.

Ordinance introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Ordinance having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on <u>February 20. 2024 at 7:00 p.m.</u>, and concluded on <u>February 20, 2024 at 7:02 p.m.</u>

EXPLANATION

<u>Underlining</u> indicates matter added to existing law.

[**Bold Brackets**] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Amendments proposed prior to final adoption will be noted on a separate page with line references or by handwritten changes on the draft legislation.

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BE IT ORDAINED, that Chapter 177, Article V, Sections 177-19 D. Amount of Credit and 177-21 B. Enhanced Credit is hereby amended as follows:

Article V. Tax Credit for Qualifying First Responders of the Police Department, Susquehanna Hose Company, Inc. and Havre de Grace Ambulance Corps, Inc.

§ 177-19. Amount of credit.

D. Maximum Credit. The maximum basic or lifetime tax credit per household is \$1,000. The maximum enhanced tax credit per household is \$1,000. The maximum tax credit for an individual member or sworn officer in any combination (basic, lifetime, and/or enhanced from either SHCO and/or HDGAC) shall not exceed \$1,000 per person annually, and shall apply against the household maximum. Under no circumstance should the tax credit exceed the current year's tax bill. If the tax credit for an individual member or household exceeds the current year's tax bill for the respective property, then the maximum credit allowable will be the total tax bill.

§ 177-21. Eligibility.

- B. Enhanced Credit
 - 1. For members of the SHCO or the HDAC, Enhanced Credit is available for any member who has met the eligibility requirement for the Basic Credit or Lifetime Credit for each respective organization, and who annually meets the following additional service requirements:
 - a. On an annual basis, such a member has at least [75] <u>72</u> apparatus runs or rides on an actual piece of equipment responding to a dispatch call, whether or not such call is in the home box.
 - b. Up to approximately 30% of the rides or runs eligible for Enhanced Credit [(25 rides)] (24 rides) may be comprised of duty hours equal to three duty hours per ride or run if the member was on-call and available to respond on any apparatus at the station but no calls were dispatched for that piece of equipment during the on-call time.

NOW THEREFORE, it is determined, decided, and ordained by the City Council that the foregoing amendments to the City Code as restated above are hereby approved.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Havre de Grace, Maryland this 18th day of March, 2024.

SIGNED by the Mayor and attested by the Director of Administration this 19th day of March, 2024.

ATTEST:

Christopher Ricci Director of Administration

THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

William T. Martin Mayor

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