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Press Release

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Subject: Huachuca City Sales Tax Increases & Implementation of Use Tax

Many people are aware of the financial struggles of Huachuca City, and the current efforts by Town Council and Town staff to remedy this situation. Staff, thru Council action, has reduced the Town deficit 65% thru spending cuts, sales, surplus equipment, and proper spending practices since January 2018.

However, even with these positive changes the Town must continue to increase its revenue. Huachuca City has for years, had the lowest sales taxes in Cochise County, and the lowest in the State of Arizona.

After much deliberation, Town Council agreed with with staff's recommendation and voted on September 13, 2018 to increase the sales tax to 1.9%, effective December 1, 2018.

These increases equate to 1.9 cents on the dollar purchased, vs the old rate of 1.5 cents on the dollar purchased.

In addition, the Town established a Use Tax on Purchasing and Inventory at 1.9% which will go into effect on December 1, 2018.

Huachuca City will continue to have the lowest sales tax rate in Cochise County.

If you have questions regarding the upcoming tax increases, please contact the Town Manager. You can also find a summary of what Tax categories are changing on our website at https://www.huachucacityaz.gov/

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Section	Title	Old Rate	New Rate
9A-405	Advertising	1.5%	1.9%
9A-410	Amusements, exhibitions, and similar activities	1.5%	1.9%
9A-415	Construction contracting: construction contractors	1.5%	1.9%
9A-416	Construction contracting: speculative builders	1.5%	1.9%
9A-417	Construction contracting: owner-builders who are not	1.5%	1.9%
	speculative builders		
9A-420	Feed at Wholesale	1.5%	1.9%
9A-425	Job printing	1.5%	1.9%
9A-427	Manufactured Buildings	1.5%	1.9%
9A-430	Timbering and other extraction	1.5%	1.9%
9A-435	Publishing and periodical distribution	1.5%	1.9%
9A-444	Hotels	1.5%	1.9%
9A-445	Rental, leasing, and licensing of use of real property	1.5%	1.0%
9A-450	Rental of tangible personal property	1.5%	1.9%
9A-455	Restaurants and bars	1.5%	1.9%
9A-460	Retail sales: mesure of tax; burden of proof; exlusions	1.5%	1.9%
9A-462	Retail sales: food for home consumption	1.5%	1.9%
9A-470	Telecommunications	1.5%	1.9%
9A-475	Transportation for hire	1.5%	1.9%
9A-480	Utility services	1.5%	1.9%

Huachuca City Sales Tax Changes Effective December 1, 2018

Huachuca City Use Tax Changes Effective December 1, 2018

Section	Title	Old Rate	New Rate
TBD	Use Tax	0.0%	1.9%