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### MAYOR EXTENDS PAYMENT DUE DATES FOR CITY BILLS AND EXEMPTIONS AND TAX DEFERRAL APPLICATIONS

**NORTHAMPTON** - Mayor David J. Narkewicz, acting under newly granted authority by the Legislature and Governor, is announcing the extension of due dates for the following real estate and personal property bills, motor vehicle excise bills, water, sewer and stormwater utility bills, and exemption and deferral applications:

#### Fourth Quarter Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills:

- Original Due Date: May 1, 2020
- New Due Date: **June 1, 2020**

#### Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on **June 1, 2020**, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

#### Water, Sewer and Stormwater Utility Bills:

- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on **June 1, 2020**, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

#### Property Tax Personal Exemption and Tax Deferral Applications:

- Original Due Date: April 1, 2020
- Extended Due Date: **June 1, 2020**

In addition to extending the due date for payments, Mayor Narkewicz is also waiving the payment of interest and other penalties in the event of late payment of any real estate, personal property, motor vehicle excise, water, sewer or stormwater utility bill for an additional

month, giving Northampton taxpayers until June 30, 2020, to make payment without incurring interest or demand late fees.

Please note that this newly granted authority only allows municipal chief executives to extend statutory payment deadlines and waive statutory interest and penalties through the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2020. Under the new state legislation, payments made after June 30, 2020 will be subject to interest and penalties back to June 1, 2020.

During the COVID-19 emergency, the office of the Treasurer/Collector is closed to the public. However, there are several optional payment methods available:

- 1) Mail checks to payment processing center: City of Northampton, P.O. Box 4121, Woburn, MA 01888
- 2) Mail payments to the Treasurer/Collector: City of Northampton, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060
- 3) Online at the City's website at: <https://www.northamptonma.gov/219/TreasurerCollector>
- 4) Drop payments off in the Treasurer/Collector's drop box located at the Municipal Office Building, 212 Main Street (upper level entrance behind City Hall)

If you have any questions regarding payments, please call the Treasurer/Collector's Office at 413-587-1293 or email [kbissell@northamptonma.gov](mailto:kbissell@northamptonma.gov).