### Elements of a Tax Rate

- □ Proposition 2 ½
- Levy vs. Budget
- Estimated Receipts, State Aid & Other Revenue
- Debt Exclusions
- Total Taxable Valuation

### Proposition 2 ½

Levy Ceiling: a community cannot levy more than 2.5 percent of the total full and fair cash value of all taxable real and personal property.

(Mashpee's Levy Ceiling for FY2009 = \$124,698,668)

Levy Limit: a community cannot levy more than 2.5 percent above the previous year's base levy figure\*.

\*This figure excludes New Growth and Debt Exclusions. (FY2009 Maximum Allowable Levy = \$34,867,311)

## Calculating The Levy vs. Budget

- The Levy equals the amount to be raised from Town Meeting (Budget) minus total Estimated Receipts, State Aid and Other Revenue Sources
- Estimated Receipts comprise things such as fees, excise taxes and investment income
- **State Aid** is comprised of such things as chapter 70, lottery and school building assistance
- □ Other Revenue Sources comprise things such as the street betterment fund, ambulance receipts and the CPA fund

### *FY2009 Example*:

\$51,994,766.40 - \$17,129,018.76 = \$34,865,747.64
(Total Budget) (Est. Receipts, State Aid & Other Sources) (Levy)

Compare to the FY09 Maximum Allowable Levy: \$34,867,311

### Four Year Estimated Levy Needed

- FY2010: \$48,666,557 \$10,589,870 \$2,100,000 = \$36,076,687
  (Est. Total Budget) (Est. Receipts, State Aid (Free Cash & Overlay) (Estimated Levy Needed) & Other Sources)
- ☐ FY2012: \$58,733,883 \$9,102,281 = \$49,631,602
  (Est. Total Budget) (Est. Receipts, State Aid & Other Sources)

## Levy Limit inside Prop. 2 ½

#### Levy Limit Calculation:

Previous Year's Levy + 2.5 % + New Growth = Levy Limit + Debt Exclusions = "Maximum Allowable Levy"

#### □ FY2010:

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\$32,746,851 + \$818,671 + \$200,000 = \$33,765,522 + \$2,311,165 = \$36,076,687 (Previous Year's (Est. New Growth) (Levy Limit) (Debt Exclusions) (Maximum Levy) & other)
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#### □ FY2011:

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$33,765,522 + $844,138 + $225,000 = $34,834,660 + $2,240,316 = $37,074,976 (Previous Year's (2.5 %) (Est. New Growth) (Levy Limit) (Debt Exclusions) (Maximum Levy)

Base Levy)
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#### □ FY2012:

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$34,834,660 + $870,866 + $250,000 = $35,955,526 + $2,636,343 = $38,591,869 (Previous Year's (2.5 %) (Est. New Growth) (Levy Limit) (Debt Exclusions) (Maximum Levy)

Base Levy)
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#### □ FY2013:

$$\$35,955,526 + \$898,888 + \$275,000 = \$37,129,414 + \$2,416,039 = \$39,545,453$$
 (Previous Year's (2.5 %) (Est. New Growth) (Levy Limit) (Debt Exclusions) (Maximum Levy) Base Levy)

### Four Year Forecast w/ Levy Limit

**LEVY SHORTFALL of \$13,907,383** 

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FY2010: $48,666,557 - $10,589,870 - $2,100,000 = $36,076,687
                                     (Est. Receipts, State Aid (Free Cash & Overlay)
                                                                         (Estimated Levy Needed)
                     (Est. Total Budget)
                                        & Other Sources)
                        FY2011 Maximum Allowable Levy = $36,076,687
     FY2011: $53,618,829 - $9,773,054 = $43,845,775
                      (Ést. Total Budget)
                                        (Est. Receipts, State Aid (Estimated Levy Needed)
                                          & Other Sources)
                        FY2011 Maximum Allowable Levy = $37,074,976
                       LEVY SHORTFALL of $6,770,799
     FY2012: $58,733,883 - $9,102,281 = $49,631,602
(Est. Total Budget)
                                                         (Estimated Levy Needed)
                                     (Est. Receipts, State Aid
                                        & Other Sources)
                        FY2011 Maximum Allowable Levy = $38,591,869
                      LEVY SHORTFALL of $11,039,733
     FY2013: $61,948,459 - $8,495,623 = $53,452,836
(Est. Total Budget)
                                       (Est. Receipts, State Aid (Estimated Levy Needed)
                                         & Other Sources)
                        FY2011 Maximum Allowable Levy = $39,545,453
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### Calculating the Tax Rate

□ Tax Rate = Levy / Total Valuation x 1,000

*FY 2009 Example*:

 $$34,865,747.64 / 4,987,946,730 \times 1,000 = $6.99$ (Levy) (Total Valuation) (Town Tax Rate)

### Four Year Tax Rate Projection

- $FY2010: \underline{\$7.71} = \$36,076,687 / \$4,678,686,458 \times 1,000$ (Max. Levy Limit) {Est. Total Valuation (-6.1%)}

#### LEVY SHORTFALL of \$6,770,799

For every \$100,000 raised from an override add  $\underline{2 \text{ cents}}$  to the tax rate. {+\$1.35 = Total Tax Rate of \$9.54}

 $FY2012: $8.63 = $38,591,869 / $4,470,343,742 \times 1,000$  (Max. Levy Limit) {Est. Total Valuation (-1.3%)}

#### LEVY SHORTFALL of \$11,039,733

For every \$100,000 raised from an override add <u>2 cents</u> to the tax rate. {+\$2.21 = Total Tax Rate of \$10.84}

FY2013: \$8.85 = \$39,545,453 / \$4,470,343,742 x 1,000 (Max. Levy Limit) {Est. Total Valuation (-1.3%)}

#### LEVY SHORTFALL of \$13,907,383

For every \$100,000 raised from an override add <u>2 cents</u> to the tax rate. {+\$2.78 = Total Tax Rate of \$11.63}

# Thank You.

