



## **NOTICE OF THE 2016 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** that the City of Portage Board of Review will meet in Conference Rooms 1 and 2 at Portage City Hall, commencing on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM for the organizational meeting, and will continue in session on Tuesday, March 15th, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM & 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM & Wednesday, March 16th, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM & 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM, and Thursday, March 17th, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM, and additional days as needed to hear persons who have given notice to be heard within such time period and until assessment rolls have been revised, corrected and approved. The second meeting of the Board of Review, at which time the roll will be certified, will be held on Tuesday, March 29th, 2016 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Commercial	46.44%	1.07666
Residential	47.23%	1.05865
Industrial	50.07%	.99861
Personal Property	50.00%	1.00000

**Contact the Office of the City Assessor at 329-4433 beginning, March 1, 2016 to schedule an appointment before the Board of Review.** Appeals may also be made by signed letters submitted to the Office of the City (Portage City Hall, 7900 South Westledge Avenue, Portage, MI 49002) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. Please visit the city website at [www.portagemi.gov](http://www.portagemi.gov) > Boards & Commissions > Board of Review to view the Policy for Written Appeals to the Board of Review.

Issues that can be brought before the Board of Review include property valuation (SEV), assessment roll classification changes, veterans' exemption and Property Tax Poverty Exemption requests. Taxable value is generally not appealable at the March Board of Review as this type of change is entirely a result of Proposal A. Taxable value change is limited by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), as determined by the State Tax Commission, unless there has been new construction or an uncapping event (transfer of ownership). For 2016 the CPI is 1.003, meaning that unless new construction has taken place or physical improvements have been made to the property or the assessed and taxable values are not the same amount, the taxable value may increase by 1.003.

Additional information is available on the city website at [www.portagemi.gov](http://www.portagemi.gov) > Boards & Commissions > Board of Review. Questions concerning any of this information can be directed to the Office of the City Assessor at 329-4433.

Edward K. VanderVries, MMAO, PPE  
City Assessor

Note: City of Portage Board meetings are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, sex or disability. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services must contact the City of Portage giving five business days' notice by writing or calling.