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PRESS RELEASE

2016 Truth in Millage (TRIM) Notice mailed August 18th, 2016

Scott P. Russell, CFA, Monroe County Property Appraiser, announces that on August 18, 2016, the Notice of Proposed Property Tax form, also known as Truth in Millage Notice (TRIM), will be mailed to all property owners. In addition, you can now view TRIM Notices on our new website, www.qpublic.net/monroe. Click on Property Search and enter your name or property address or Alternate Key number to bring up your Property Card. Scroll to the bottom and you will see a link to the TRIM Notice.

There is important information printed on the notice, so please review it carefully and verify the accuracy of data, such as property owner's name, mailing address, and exemptions. If you have moved or changed your mailing address, please submit a change of address to our office either by mail or email forms are available on our website. Also, if you have applied for 2016 exemption and do not see it referred on this form please contact our office. The November tax bills will be based on this information and we want to update any addressing or value issues prior to the Tax Bills being issued.

The millage (tax) rates are set each year by the taxing authorities. The Property Appraiser has no role in the setting of the millage rates. If you disagree with the rates being proposed, you may address this with the taxing authorities at their public hearings. Public hearing information can be found on the last column of the TRIM Notice titled Public Hearing information.

The property appraiser only establishes the market value and administers exemptions. Your assessed value is based upon your market value, but may differ depending upon the assessment caps that may apply under state law such as the Save Our Homes cap or the Non-Homestead cap. If you believe the market value shown on this notice does not reflect the fair market value of your property as of January 1, 2016, contact our office and request to speak to an appraiser.

Most importantly, September 12, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. is the deadline to file a valuation/exemption petition with the Monroe County Value Adjustment Board (VAB). Copies of the petition's and instructions are available on our website at www.qpublic.net/monroe under the Appeals/ VAB menu tab.

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500 Whitehead St.
(305) 292-3420
(305) 292-3431 (Fax)

Marathon

Marathon Government Center
2798 Overseas Hwy, Ste. 310
(305) 289-2550
(305) 289-2555 (Fax)

Plantation Key

Plantation Key Government Center
88700 Overseas Hwy.
(305) 852-7130
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