



## NEWS RELEASE

### **VEHICLE DECALS NO LONGER REQUIRED IN TOWN OF HERNDON**

#### ***Vehicle Registration Fee Remains; Will be Collected via Fairfax County Personal Property Tax Bills***

Herndon, VA (May 20, 2016) – The Herndon Town Council has adopted an ordinance that eliminates the physical decal requirement for all vehicles registered and garaged within town limits. Effective immediately, display of a decal on vehicle windshields is no longer required and Herndon police will no longer issue tickets for failure to display a decal.

The vehicle registration fee remains in place. The town has entered into an agreement with Fairfax County whereby the town's registration fee will be billed to residents via the county's personal property tax bills, issued annually in August and due by October 5. (For vehicles purchased after July 1, the payment due date is February 15.) This will allow town residents to pay both their county personal property tax bills and their town vehicle registration fees with one payment. The town and county entered into the agreement due to a change in the Virginia Code in 2015; the change was initiated by the Herndon Town Council and supported by both jurisdictions. By eliminating the physical decal requirement, the town estimates a savings of approximately \$14,000 annually.

Registration fees for vehicles located in the town are as follows:

Passenger cars and trucks 4,000 lbs. or less in gross weight - \$25

Passenger cars and trucks over 4,000 lbs. in gross weight - \$32

Motorcycles - \$12

Small trailer/boat trailer gross weight less than 5,000 lbs. - \$0 (prior fee eliminated)

Larger trailer/boat trailer gross weight greater than 5,000 lbs. - \$0 (prior fee eliminated)

Military (active duty with currently military ID) - \$0 (prior fee eliminated)

Additional details related to the elimination of the vehicle decal requirement, as well as exemptions to the registration fee requirement, are available at [www.herndon-va.gov/vehicled decals](http://www.herndon-va.gov/vehicled decals). The page also includes answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) related to the change.

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