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Division of Taxation to Hold South River Property Revaluation Hearing

TRENTON – The New Jersey Division of Taxation will conduct a public hearing this month to allow citizens of South River to voice their opinions about property taxes as part of its investigation into whether to order the Middlesex County municipality to begin a property revaluation.

The hearing will convene at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, 2016, at the South River VFW, 31 Reid St. in South River, New Jersey.

The public hearing will allow Division representatives to hear public comments regarding the value of taxable property in the Borough of South River. Division personnel will not take questions from the public during the hearing. Dennis Shilling, Deputy Director of Operations, and Patricia Wright, Deputy Director of Compliance & Enforcement and Property Administration, will conduct the hearing on behalf of the Division.

In November, 2015, the Division issued letters to the municipal governments of Elizabeth, Jersey City and Dunellen informing them that it would conduct an investigation in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:1-26 to determine whether to order a revaluation of the properties within their boundaries.

Elizabeth has not had a property revaluation in 39 years. Jersey City has been delinquent by 27 years, and Dunellen has not had a revaluation in 33 years. Following public hearings in those towns, the Division on April 4, 2016, ordered all three municipalities to conduct revaluations.

South River has not had a revaluation or reassessment in 30 years. In lieu of attending the hearing, South River residents may submit written comments to the Division at PropReval@treas.nj.gov or to the following address:

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