

The Incorporation of Little River may result in either a potential millage savings or a millage increase. Currently unincorporated millage is as follows:

County Wide Millage	
General Fund Fund	36.7
General Debt Service Fund	5.3
Higher Education Commission	.7
Horry Georgetown Tec	1.9
Senior Citizens Fund	.4
Horry County Recreation Fund	<u>2.3</u>
Total County Wide Millage	47.3

Unincorporated Special Millage	
Rural Fire	16.3
Waste Management	<u>6.4</u>
Total Special Millage	22.7

If the town or city of Little River incorporates it will only pay the 47.3 mills of county wide millage plus the millage the city passes. The city residents will no longer pay the 22.7 special millage or receive services for rural fire or be able to use the waste management convenience centers. The city would need to tax or charge fees for fire protection and garbage collection.

Traditionally, cities normally provide additional police protection above and beyond any services offered by the county as well as public works, roads & drainage, planning & zoning, city court system, and general administration. These services would need to be funded by city millage and fees.

Some of the other small cities or towns contractually agree to charge their residents the county's fire millage and receive fire protection from the county. This would not be any type of enhanced service.

To date the county has not allowed this type of contractual arrangement for the waste management convenience centers. However it may be a possibility to contract for city residents to use the existing collection centers provided that they were assessed the Waste Management millage of 6.4 mils.

The city millage will be an additional level of millage and the city structure will be an additional level of government.

The amount of millage assessed by the city and a final decision on the issues of continued use of the County's Rural Fire Protection and Convenience Centers will determine how much additional millage it will cost the taxpayers of Little River to incorporate.

