

ORDINANCE\_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR OPERATING THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH BUDGET INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS OF MONEY TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL SINKING FUND REQUIREMENTS ON ALL INDEBTEDNESS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, a budget for operating the municipal government of the City of Killeen for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 has been prepared by Kent Cagle, City Manager, as Budget Officer for the City of Killeen, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, said budget has been submitted to the City Council by the City Manager along with his budget message, in accordance with the City Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, public notice of a public hearing upon this budget has been duly and legally made as required by City Charter and law; and

**WHEREAS**, a separate record vote of the City Council is required to adopt a budget that will raise more revenue from property taxes than the previous year; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing has been had upon said budget and, after full and final consideration of proposed expenditures, revenues, financial condition, and comparative expenditures as presented, it is the consensus of opinion that the budget as considered and amended at said hearing should be approved and adopted;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN:**

**SECTION I.** That the City Council of the City of Killeen ratifies, approves and adopts the budget as finally considered for the fiscal year of October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026, a copy of which shall be filed with the office of the City Secretary and with the Bell County Clerk and which is incorporated herein for all intents and purposes.

**SECTION II.** That the appropriations for the 2026 fiscal year for the different administrative units and purposes of the City of Killeen, Texas, be fixed and determined for said fiscal year in accordance with the expenditures shown in said budget, and that the distribution and division of said appropriations be made in accordance with said budget including such amounts shown for providing for sinking funds for the payment of the principal and interest and the retirement of the bonded debt of the City of Killeen.

**SECTION III.** That pursuant to Section 76 of the City Charter, approval in this budget of items costing up to the threshold specified in Section 76 shall constitute the prior approval of said expenditures by City Council, and the City Manager or the Acting City Manager is authorized to advertise for bids for all contracts or purchases exceeding that threshold as provided by said Section, without further authorization by the City Council.

**SECTION IV.** That should any part, portion, or section of this ordinance be declared invalid, inoperative, or void for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision, opinion, or judgment shall in no way affect the remaining portions, parts, or sections or parts of a section of this ordinance, which provisions shall be, remain and continue to be in full force and effect.

**SECTION V.** That all ordinances and appropriations for which provision has heretofore been made are hereby expressly repealed if in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance.

**SECTION VI.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Killeen, Texas this 2nd of September 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present, held in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A. Government Code, §551.001 *et. seq.*

**APPROVED**

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Debbie Nash-King, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

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Laura J. Calcote, CITY SECRETARY

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Holli C. Clements, CITY ATTORNEY