

ORDINANCE _____

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE TAX RATE AND LEVYING A TAX UPON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN, TEXAS, FOR THE 2023 TAX YEAR AND FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; APPORTIONING SAID LEVY AMONG THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND ITEMS FOR WHICH REVENUE MUST BE RAISED INCLUDING PROVIDING A SINKING FUND FOR THE RETIREMENT OF THE BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Chief Appraiser of the Bell County Tax Appraisal District has prepared and certified the appraisal roll for the City of Killeen, Texas, said roll being that portion of the approved appraisal roll of the Bell County Tax Appraisal District which lists property taxable by the City of Killeen, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Appraiser of the Bell County Tax Appraisal District has performed the statutory calculations required by Section 26.04 of the Texas Property Tax Code, and the City of Killeen has published the no-new-revenue rate, the voter-approval tax rate, and an explanation of how they were calculated and has fulfilled all other requirements for publication as contained in Texas Property Tax Code Section 26.06, in a manner designated to come to the attention of all residents of said City and has submitted rates to the City Council of said City prior to the City Council meeting of August 1, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, “THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR’S TAX RATE.” AND “THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 14.60 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$60.40.”

WHEREAS, the City Council has complied with all applicable requirements of the Texas Property Tax Code prior to the setting of the tax rate for said City for 2023 tax year;

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

SECTION I. That the tax rate of the City of Killeen, Texas for the tax year 2023 be, and is hereby, set at \$0.6208 on each \$100 of the taxable value of real and personal property not exempt from taxation by the constitution and laws of this state within the corporate limits of said City.

SECTION II. That there is hereby levied for the tax year 2023 upon all real and personal property not exempt from taxation by the constitution and laws of this state situated within the corporate limits of said City, and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Killeen, Texas, to provide a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonded debt of said City and to provide for permanent improvements in said City, said tax; and said tax, so levied and collected, shall be apportioned to the specific purposes hereinafter set forth; to wit:

- A. For the payment of current expenses and to be deposited in the general fund (for the purposes of maintenance and operations) \$0.4742 on each \$100 of the taxable value; and,
- B. To provide for sinking funds for the payment of the principal and interest and the retirement of bonded debt, \$0.1466 on each \$100 of the taxable value of such property.

SECTION III. That the Chief Appraiser is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of said City employing the above tax rate.

SECTION IV. That the Executive Director of Finance of said City shall keep accurate and complete records of all monies collected under this Ordinance and of the purposes for which same are expended.

SECTION V. That monies collected pursuant to this Ordinance shall be expended as set forth in the City of Killeen FY 2024 Annual Budget.

SECTION VI. That all monies collected which are not specifically appropriated shall be deposited in the general fund.

SECTION VII. 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 12th day of September, 2023, at which meeting a quorum was present, held in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.

APPROVED

Debbie Nash-King
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Laura J. Calcote
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Holli C. Clements
CITY ATTORNEY