ORDINANCE NO. 9-9-2020-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLIAD, TEXAS LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Goliad, Texas, has approved the municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021;

Whereas, it is necessary that an ordinance be passed levying an ad valorem tax on all property, both real and personal, within the corporate limits of the City of Goliad, Texas in accordance with such budget and the Texas Tax Code;

Whereas, the proposed total tax rate for the 2020/2021 fiscal year is $1.147545;

Whereas, the portion of the $1.147545 proposed tax rate allocated for maintenance and operations is $0.778135 and is a decrease from last year’s maintenance and operations portion of the tax rate (which was $0.895914), and will not generate additional revenue compared to last year’s maintenance and operation budget; and

Whereas, the portion of the $1.147545 proposed tax rate allocated towards the interest and sinking is $0.369410 and is an increase from last year’s interest and sinking fund portion of the rate (which was $0.192902), and will generate additional revenue compared to last year’s interest and sinking fund budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLIAD, TEXAS:

Section 1. There is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Goliad (herein the “City”) and to provide an Interest and Sinking fund for the 2020/2021 fiscal year, upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City on January 1, 2020 subject to taxation, a tax of $1.147545 on each $100.00 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth:

1. For the maintenance and support of the general government (General Fund), $0.778135 each $100.00 valuation of property; and
2. For the interest and sinking fund, $0.369410 on each $100.00 valuation of property.

The Total Tax Rate is a combination of a maintenance and operation portion and an interest and sinking fund portion. The maintenance and operation portion has decreased (from 0.895914 to
Section 2. That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2020 and if not paid on or before January 1, 2021 shall immediately become delinquent.

Section 3. All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the Goliad County Tax Appraisal District as the assessor and collector of the City is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and ordinances of the City, and shall, by virtue of the tax rolls, fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real or personal, for the payment of said taxes, penalty and interest, and, the interest and penalty collected from such delinquent taxes shall be apportioned to the general fund of the City. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate as prescribed by state law.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.


ATTEST:

Kandi Hubert, City Secretary

The City of Goliad, Texas

Trudia Preston, Mayor

On the following motion by Council Member Mary Burns "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $1.147545 per $100 valuation, which is effectively an eleven percent (11%) increase in the tax rate; seconded by Council Member Chuck Benavides the above and foregoing ordinance was passed and approved as follows:

Alderman Rodriguez: Aye_x__; Nay______; Abstain______; Absent______
Alderwoman Gleisner: Aye_x__; Nay______; Abstain______; Absent______
Alderman Benavides: Aye_x__; Nay______; Abstain______; Absent______
Alderwoman Burns: Aye_x__; Nay______; Abstain______; Absent______
Alderwoman Alaniz: Aye_x__; Nay______; Abstain______; Absent______