

ORDINANCE NO. 2317

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, LEVYING A PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2023; AND DIRECTING THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR TO ASSESS, ACCOUNT FOR, AND DISTRIBUTE THE PROPERTY TAXES AS HEREIN LEVIED.

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 (a) of the Tax Code requires taxing authorities to adopt a property tax rate before the later of September 30 of each year or the 60th day after the date of receipt of the certified appraisal roll; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 (a) of the Tax Code requires the property tax rate be approved separately in two components: (1) Maintenance and Operations; and (2) Debt Service; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 (b) of the Tax Code requires that the vote on the ordinance setting a tax rate that exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate must be a record vote and at least 60 percent of the members of the governing body must vote in favor of the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 (b) of the Tax Code additionally requires that a motion to adopt an ordinance setting a tax rate that exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate must be made in the following form:

“I move that the property tax rate be increased with the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.350000, which is effectively a 2.74 percent increase in the tax rate”; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 (b) of the Tax Code further requires that if the ordinance sets a tax rate that, if applied to the total taxable value, will impose an amount of taxes to fund maintenance and operation expenditures of the taxing unit that exceeds the amount of taxes imposed for that purpose in the preceding year, the taxing unit must include in the ordinance in type larger than the type used in any other portion of the ordinance the following statement:

"THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE"; and

if the tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate, the following statement:

“THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.16 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$3.90.”, NOW THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS:**

Section 1. That the property tax rate per \$100.00 valuation for the City of Sugar Land for tax year 2023 is adopted as follows:

Maintenance and Operations	\$0.203962
Debt Service	\$0.146038
Tax Rate	\$0.350000

Section 2. THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE

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Section 3. That the record vote of the City Council adopting this ordinance is:

Council Members voting FOR adoption:

Council Members voting AGAINST adoption:

Council Members absent:

Section 4. That this ordinance is adopted upon one reading in compliance with Section 6.03 of the City Charter.

APPROVED on September _____, 2023

Joe R. Zimmerman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin Lenio, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Meredith Riedel