ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF QUINLAN, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY OF QUINLAN, TEXAS, AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR, PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE; REPEALLING; SEVERABILITY; EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Quinlan, Texas on August 11, 2025 and by way of separate Ordinance No. 2025-08-01, duly approved and adopted a municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending on September 30, 2026 ("FY 2025-2026"); and

WHEREAS, the adopted FY 2025-2026 municipal budget anticipates and requires the levy of an ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the City of Quinlan; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Appraisers of the Hunt County Central Tax Appraisal District have prepared and certified the appraisal roll of the City of Quinlan, Texas, said roll being that portion of the approved appraisal roll of the Hunt County Tax Appraisal District which lists property taxable by the City of Quinlan, Texas; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to levy such an ad valorem tax at a given rate to generate sufficient revenues to meet the projected expenses of the City for providing municipal services during FY 2025-2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has complied with all applicable requirements of the Texas Tax Code prior to adopting the tax rate for the City for FY 2025-2026.

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

SECTION 1: That the tax rate of the City of Quinlan, Texas for the tax year 2025 be, and is hereby, set at \$0.479000 on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the taxable value of real and personal property not exempt from taxation by the Constitution and laws of this State situated within the corporate limits of said City.

SECTION 2: That there is hereby levied for the tax year 2025 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 operations of the City of Quinlan, Texas, and to provide a sinking fund for the retirement of the existing indebtedness of said City 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) \$ 0.329198 on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the taxable value of such property; and

B. To provide sinking funds for the payment of the principal and interest and the retirement of the bonded debt, and the same shall become due as shall be necessary to pay the principal and interest of the current year as follows, \$0.149802 per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation.

SECTION 3: In accordance with the provisions and requirements of Section 26.05 of the Texas Property Tax Code, as amended, the City Council hereby states that: THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 5.9 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY \$10.75.

SECTION 4: That the Hunt County Tax Assessor and Collector is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of said City employing the above tax rate.

SECTION 5: That the City Administrator of said City shall keep accurate and complete records of all monies collected under this Ordinance and the purposes for which same are expended.

SECTION 6: That monies collected pursuant to this Ordinance shall be expended as set forth in the City of Quinlan's FY 2025 - 2026 Municipal Budget.

SECTION 7: That all monies collected which are not specifically appropriated shall be deposited in the General Fund.

SECTION 8: Taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due on or before October 1, 2025, and if not paid before February 1, 2026, shall immediately become delinquent.

SECTION 9: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

SECTION 10: All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the city tax assessor and/or collector for the City of Quinlan 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 of Quinlan, 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 of Quinlan. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate by state law.

SECTION 11: That all ordinances or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

SECTION 12: Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 13: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551 and all other relevant statutes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the affirmative vote of the City Council of the City of Quinlan, Texas, this the 18th day of August, 2025.

"I MOVE THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF 0.479000 PER \$100 TAXABLE VALUATION (COMPOSED OF A MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION RATE OF 0.329198 AND A DEPT RATE OF 0.149802), WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 5.9% PERCENT INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE.

Council Member Bowman:	√ (for)	(against)	(abstained)	(absent)
Council Member Slaughter:	√ (for)	(against)	(abstained)	(absent)
Council Member Underwood:	<u>√ (</u> for)	(against)	(abstained)	(absent)
Council Member Mayberry:	(for)	(against)	(abstained)	(absent)
Council Member Serrano:	(for)	(against)	(abstained)	(absent)

Jacky Goleman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura Kennemer, City Secretary