## **ORDINANCE NO. 2021.9.3**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLATONIA, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TAX ROLLS AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF FLATONIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET WITH ALL SAID TAXES BEING LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; PROVIDING FOR A TAX RATE OF \$0.3150/\$100 OF APPRAISED PROPERTY VALUE; PROVIDING WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND RECORD VOTE.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Flatonia, Texas ("City") depends on property taxes to obtain income for the necessary operating expenses of the City; and

**WHEREAS,** the City is authorized by the State of Texas to assess property taxes for such purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost for funding public safety programs and additional city staffing hours has increased; and

WHEREAS, all provisions of the Truth in Taxation Laws of the State of Texas concerning the computation of the tax rate, the establishment of the proposed tax rate, and the posting of required notices therefor have been duly met in good faith;

WHEREAS, the City's proposed fiscal year 2022 budget requires a property tax rate of \$0.3150/\$100 of appraised value for calendar year 2021, and the calendar 2020 tax rate was \$0.3150/\$100; and

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

**SECTION 1.** That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Flatonia, Texas for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.3150 on each \$100.00 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned:

For the maintenance and support of the general government (General Fund), \$0.3150 on each \$100.00 valuation of property.

For the Interest and Sinking Fund, \$0.00 on each \$100.00 valuation of property.

**SECTION 2.** <u>Budget.</u> That the City's Fiscal year Budget, having been approved, requires a property tax rate for the year 2021 to be set at \$0.3150 per \$100.00 of appraised property value.

This tax rate is below the no-new-revenue rate of \$.3247 per \$100 of appraised property value and will not raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate.

The City has no applicable debt and is not assessing a tax for debt services.

**SECTION 3.** That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2021, and if not paid on or before January 31, 2022, shall become delinquent.

**SECTION 4.** That all taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the Fayette County Tax Appraisal District 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 Flatonia, Texas. The Fayette County Tax Appraisal District, by virtue of the tax rolls certified, is hereby authorized and empowered to fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real, personal or mixed, for 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 Flatonia, Texas. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate prescribed by state law.

**SECTION 5.** That this ordinance shall become effect from and after its passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2021 during a scheduled meeting by the City Council for the City of Flatonia, Texas.

Mayor Bryan Milson:	Aye_	X	_; Nay	Abstain	_; Absent
Councilmember Dennis Geesaman:	Aye_	Χ	_; Nay	_; Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Ginny Sears:	Aye_	Χ	_; Nay	Abstain	_; Absent
Councilmember Mark Eversole:	Aye_	Χ	_; Nay	_; Abstain	_; Absent
Councilmember Allen Kocian:	Aye_	Χ	_; Nay	_; Abstain	_; Absent
Councilmember Catherine Steinhauser:	Ave	Х	: Nav	: Abstain	; Absent

THE CITY OF FLATONIA, TEXAS

Bryan Milson

Mayor

Brenda Shaw Interim City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Barbara Boulware-Wells The Knight Law Firm, LLP Interim City Attorney