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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ROCKWALL

CITY OF ROWLETT

I, the undersigned, Deputy City Secretary of the City of Rowlett, Texas, a governmental subdivision of the State of Texas, in the performance of the functions of my office, hereby certify that the following copy of Ordinance ORD-031-23, approved by the City Council of the City of Rowlett, Texas on September 20, 2023, is a true and correct copy of same, and that I am the lawful possessor and have legal custody of said record.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said City of Rowlett, Texas, at my office in said City, Counties and State aforesaid, this 21st day of September 2023.

Stacey Chadwick, Deputy City Secretary
City of Rowlett, Texas
City of Rowlett
Official Copy
Ordinance: ORD-031-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROWLETT, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE TAX RATE AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 (FY2024) TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT EXPENDITURES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, following public notice duly posted and published in all things as required by law, public hearings were held by and before the City Council of the City of Rowlett, the subject of which was the proposed tax rate for the City of Rowlett for FY2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, upon full consideration of the matter, is of the opinion that the tax rate hereinafter set forth is proper and should be approved and adopted.

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

SECTION 1: That there is hereby levied and shall be assessed for the tax year 2023 on all taxable property, real, personal and mixed, situated within the corporate limits of the City of Rowlett, Texas, and not exempt by the Constitution of the State and valid State laws, a tax of $0.710400 on each and every $100 assessed valuation of taxable property apportioned and distributed as follows:

(a) $0.531341 on each and every $100 valuation of said property is hereby reviewed and assessed to provide revenue for maintenance and operations of the City government and current expenses thereof; and

(b) $0.179059 on each and every $100 valuation of said property is hereby reviewed and assessed for the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay the interest principal on all outstanding bonds of the City, not otherwise provided for.

(c) 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 5.88 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A $100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY $5.56.

SECTION 2: That all ad valorem taxes shall become due and payable on October 1, 2023, and all ad valorem taxes for the year shall become delinquent if not paid prior to February 1, 2024.

SECTION 3: That, in accordance with state law, a delinquent tax shall incur all penalty and interest authorized by law including a penalty of six percent (6%) on the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. A tax delinquent on July 1, 2024 incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) of the amount of delinquent tax without regard to the number of months the tax has been delinquent. A delinquent tax shall also accrue interest at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid. Taxes that remain delinquent on July
1, 2024 incur an additional penalty of twenty percent (20%) of the amount of taxes, penalty and interest due; such additional penalty is to defray costs of collection due to a contract with the City's tax collection attorney pursuant to Section 33.07 of the Texas Property Tax Code, as amended.

SECTION 4: That the City shall have available all the rights and remedies provided by law for the enforcement of the collection of taxes levied under this ordinance.

SECTION 5: That the tax roll as presented to the City Council, together with any supplements hereto, be and the same are hereby approved.

SECTION 6: That should any word, sentence, section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance, be adjudged or held to be invalid, void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7: All ordinances of the City of Rowlett, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed; provided, however that all other provisions of said ordinances not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

At a meeting of the City Council on September 20, 2023, this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 Mayor Margolis, Mayor Pro Tem Shinder, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Winget, Councilmember Bowers, Councilmember Britton and Councilmember Schupp

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