Ordinance No. 2023-638

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE TEXAS FOR THE 2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR; AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.

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 5.29 percent and will raise taxes for Maintenance and Operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$18.91.

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE.

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 Smithville, upon all property, real, personal, and mixed, within the corporate limits of the said city subject to taxation, a tax of \$.548952 on each\$100.00 valuations of the property. The M&O portion is _.376543 __; Debt Rate _.172409 _. The No-New Revenue Tax Rate is _.511747 _, with a No New Revenue maintenance and operation rate of .357629 __, and the Voter-Approval Rate being .548952 _.

SECTION 2.

That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2023, and if not paid on or before February 1, 2024, shall immediately become delinquent.

SECTION 3.

All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the city assessor and collection of the City of Smithville is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the constitution and laws of the State of Texas and Ordinance of the City of Smithville, 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 appointed to the General Fund of the City of Smithville. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate as prescribed by State Law.

SECTION 4

That this ordinance shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of September 2023 at the Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Smithville, there being a quorum present, by <u>5</u> yeas, <u>0</u> nays, and <u>0</u> absences.

Approved:

Sharon Foerster, Mayor

Attest

Jennifer Lynch, City Secretary