

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-09-29-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA, TEXAS LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES AT \$0.65 PER \$100 FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.**

**Whereas**, the City Council of the City of Lago Vista, Texas, approved the municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016;

**Whereas**, it is necessary that an ordinance be passed levying an ad valorem tax on all property, both real and personal, within the corporate limits of the City of Lago Vista, Texas in accordance with such budget and the Texas Tax Code;

**Whereas**, the proposed tax rate for the 2015/2016 fiscal year is \$0.65;

**Whereas**, the proposed tax rate is the same tax rate that was adopted for the 2014/2015 fiscal year;

**Whereas**, the proposed tax rate qualifies as a tax rate increase under state law because the proposed tax rate will increase the total property tax revenue received by the City (assuming all amounts levied are collected and received) due to an increase in property valuations in 2015;

**Whereas**, the portion of the \$0.65 proposed tax rate allocated for maintenance and operations is \$0.3923, and is an increase from last year's maintenance and operations portion of the tax rate (which was \$0.3490), and will generate additional revenue to fund maintenance and operations this fiscal year; and

**Whereas**, the portion of the \$0.65 proposed tax rate allocated towards the interest and sinking is \$0.2577, and is a decrease from last year's interest and sinking fund portion of the rate (which was \$0.3010), and will generate \$161,540 or 8.313% less revenue compared to last year's budget;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.** There is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Lago Vista (herein the "City") and to provide an Interest and Sinking fund for the 2015/2016 fiscal year, upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City on October 1, 2015 subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.65 on each \$100.00 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth:

1. For the maintenance and support of the general government (General Fund), \$0.3923 each \$100.00 valuation of property; and
2. For the interest and sinking fund, \$0.2577 on each \$100.00 valuation of property.

**The following statements are included as required by Section 26.05, Texas Tax Code:**

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

**THE M&O TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 12.41 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$43.30.**

**Section 2.** That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2015 and if not paid on or before January 31, 2016 shall immediately become delinquent.

**Section 3.** All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the Travis County Tax Appraisal District as the assessor and collector of the City 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, 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. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate as prescribed by state law.

**Section 4.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

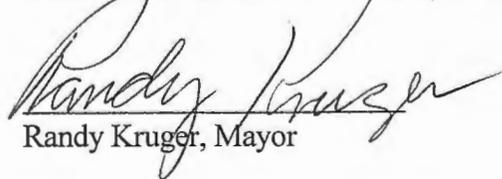
**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015.**

ATTEST:



Sandra Barton, City Secretary

THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA, TEXAS



Randy Kruger, Mayor

On the following motion by Council Member Dale Mitchell: "I move we adopt Ordinance No. 15-09-29-02 levying the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.65 per \$100 valuation, which is effectively a 6.9948 percent increase in the tax rate"; seconded by Council Member Rodney Cox, the above and foregoing ordinance was passed and approved.