ORDINANCE # 855

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON, TEXAS ADOPTING A TAX RATE AND LEVYING A TAX UPON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION WITHIN THE CITY OF JOURDANTON, TEXAS FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; APPORTIONING SAID LEVY AMONG THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND ITEMS FOR WHICH REVENUE MUST BE RAISED INCLUDING PROVIDING MONIES TO PAY PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION; PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary that and ordinance be passed levying and ad valorem tax on both real, personal, and mixed, within the corporate limits of the City of Jourdanton, Texas; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2021 the City Council of the City of Jourdanton, Texas, approved the municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.05 of the Texas Property Tax Code provides that before the later of September 30th or 60th day after the date the City received the certified appraisal roll the City Council shall adopt a tax rate for the current tax year; and

WHEREAS; all notices and hearing required by law as a prerequisite to the passage, approval, and addition for this Ordinance have been timely and properly given and held; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jourdanton, Texas shall levy the property tax rate for the City of Jourdanton through the adoption of this Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON:

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 Jourdanton, Atascosa County, Texas (herein the "City") and to provide an Interest and Sinking fund for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, upon all property, real, personal, and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City on January 1, 2021 subject to taxation, a tax of $0.750000 on each $100 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth for the 2021 Tax Year as follows:

1.) For the maintenance and support of general government (General Fund), $0.463438 on each $100 valuation of property; and
2.) For the interest and sinking fund (Debt Service Fund), $0.286562 on each $100 valuation of property.

Section 2.

"THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE; AND THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 4.99 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A $100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY $40.00.

Section 3. That taxes levied under this Ordinance shall be due October 1, 2021 and if not paid before February 1, 2022 shall immediately become delinquent.

Section 4. Homesteads shall be exempt up to the amount of $10,000 and shall apply to homesteads owned by owners aged 65 years of age and older.

Section 5. Taxes are payable to the Atascosa Tax Assessor-Collector who is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of the City of Jourdanton, employing the above rate.

Section 6. All taxes shall become a lien upon property against which assessed, and the Atascosa Tax Assessor/Collector 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 and resolutions 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 City of Jourdanton, Texas. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from the date of the delinquency at the rate as prescribed by state law.

Section 7. In case any section, phrase, or sentence of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reasons by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding or finding shall not have the effect or result of invalidating any other section or part of this Ordinance.

Section 8: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.
Section 9. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED this the 20th day of September 2021, at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Jourdanton, Texas, there being a quorum present, and by record vote the following motion:

“I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a total tax rate of $0.750000, which is effectively a 5.6338 % percent increase in the tax rate.”

Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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Robert A. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST

Debbie G. Molina, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

T. Daniel Santee, City Attorney
Denton, Navarro, Rocha, Bernal, & Zech P.C.