

**CITY OF THRALL
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-9-2**

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY OF THRALL FOR THE TAX YEAR 2023; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE; AND, PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID; AND PROVIDING FOR A PUBLICATION CLAUSE, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND REPEALING CLAUSE.

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

SECTION I.

That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the Municipal Government of the City of Thrall, upon all property, real personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation a tax of \$0.403332 on each \$100.00 valuation of property, said tax being levied and apportioned to the specific purpose herein set forth.

1. For the Maintenance and Operations of the general government (General Fund), a rate of \$0.276834 on each \$100.00 valuation of property and
2. For debt service on bond sold for the support of general government, a rate of \$0.126498 on each \$100.00 valuation of property.

SECTION II.

The City Council finds that this ordinance is in compliance with Texas Tax Code §26.05(b)(1) by including the following statement:

“THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR’S TAX RATE.”

SECTION III.

The City Council finds that this Ordinance is in compliance with Texas Tax Code §26.05(b)(2) by directing the City Secretary to place the following on the homepage of the City’s website:

“THIS CITY OF THRALL ADOPTED A TAX RATE THAT WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR’S TAX RATE.”

“THIS TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.500% PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$9.36.”

SECTION IV.

That the Taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2023, and if not paid on or before January 31, 2024, shall become delinquent.

SECTION V.

All Taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the City Tax Assessor and Collector of the City of Thrall 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 Thrall 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 of Thrall. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate as prescribed by State Law.

SECTION VI.

Pursuant to the Texas Tax Code §26.05(b), the motion to adopt must be made in the following form and this ordinance must be a record vote; which is reflected below:

“I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax of \$0.403332, which is effectively a 1.76% percent increase in the tax rate.”

Mayor Marx	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Commissioner Martin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Commissioner Karch	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent

SECTION VII. Publication Clause

The City Secretary of the City of Thrall is hereby authorized and directed to publish the caption of this ordinance in the manner and for the length of time prescribed by law.

SECTION VIII. Severability Clause

The provisions of this ordinance are severable, and if any sentence, section, or other parts of this ordinance should be found to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION IX. Repealing Clause

All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed insofar as they conflict.

SECTION X. Open Meeting Clause

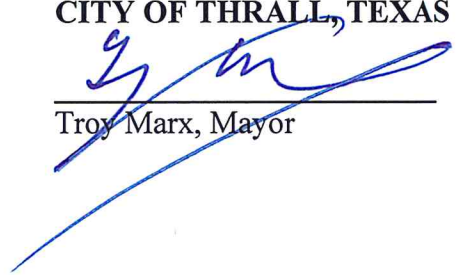
The City Council hereby finds and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting at which this ordinance was adopted was posted and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject hereof were discussed, considered, and formerly acted upon, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

SECTION XI.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** on this **7th** day of **September, 2023** at a special called meeting of the City Council of the City of Thrall, and there being a quorum present.

CITY OF THRALL, TEXAS



Troy Marx, Mayor

ATTEST:



Melissa L. Perry, City Secretary

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