

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-33

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 (OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024), ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A; MAKING CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS; AND PROVIDING THAT EXPENDITURES FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID BUDGET; UPDATING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE; PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTION; SEVERABILITY; REPEALER; AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, the City Manager and staff have prepared and filed with the City Secretary a proposed budget for the operation of the City during Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Bastrop has submitted to the Mayor and City Council a proposed budget of the revenues and expenditures/expenses of conducting the affairs of said City and providing a complete Financial Plan for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on September 12, 2023, conducted a public hearing to receive input from citizens of the City concerning the content of the budget, and for which notice were duly posted in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the municipality is located; and

WHEREAS, the City has acknowledged that this budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$594,389 or 8.08%, and of that amount \$353,885 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year; and

WHEREAS, the City Council having considered the proposed budget and minor changes, at length, and having provided input in its preparation, has determined that the proposed budget and the revenues and expenditures contained therein are in the best interest of the City and, therefore, the City Council desires to approve and adopt the budget by formal action; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the statutory authority granted by the City of Bastrop Home Rule Charter, Section 6.06, this budget shall constitute the official appropriations of proposed expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and shall constitute the basis of the official levy of the property tax as the amount of tax to be assessed and collected for that tax year; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized to adopt the proposed budget pursuant to the statutory authority granted by Texas Local Government Code Chapter 102.

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

Section 1. Budget Adopted: The proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024, as submitted to the City Council by the City Manager, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," for all purposes is hereby approved and adopted as the City's budget of all revenue and expenditures/expenses of the City of Bastrop, Texas for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Section 2. Appropriation: The sum of one hundred and twenty-one million, nine hundred and sixteen thousand, one hundred ninety-three U.S. Dollars (\$121,916,193) is hereby appropriated for the City's FY2023-2024 Budget. Further, these funds are for payment of operating, capital, and debt service expenses associated with the operation and administration of the City, according to the various purposes and intents described in the FY 2023-2024 budget document.

Section 3. Distribution: Upon final approval, the budget adopted by this Ordinance shall be filed with the Office of the City Secretary and posted on the City's website in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 102. The budget shall also be printed, or otherwise reproduced, and sufficient copies shall be made available for the use of all offices and agencies and for the use of interested persons and civic organizations in accordance with City of Bastrop Home Rule Charter Section 6.09.

Section 4. Fee Schedule: This Ordinance establishes the administrative fees the City is authorized to impose and collect for providing certain services or processing certain requests for approval. Other specific fees may be imposed by other ordinances of the City or state law. The absence of any certain fee from the Master Fee Schedule, Appendix A of the City of Bastrop Code of Ordinances, shall not be interpreted to preclude assessment and collection of that fee by the City.

Section 5. Severability: Should any paragraph, sentence, provision, clause, phrase, or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance, as a whole, or any part or provision thereof, other than the part or parts adjudged to be invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional.

Section 6. Repealer: All other ordinances and provisions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of any such conflict or inconsistency and all other provisions of the Code of Ordinances not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect. The repeal of any ordinance or parts thereof by the enactment of this Ordinance, shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such ordinance; nor shall it have the effect of discontinuing, abating, modifying, or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, nor as affecting any rights of the City of Bastrop under any section or provision of any ordinances at the time of passage of this Ordinance.

Section 7. Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of adoption by the City Council and publication of its caption as the law and the City of Bastrop's Charter provide in such cases.

Section 8. Open Meeting: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as may have been modified by any applicable emergency orders.

CONSIDERED and APPROVED on First Reading on the 12th day of September 2023, by the following motion:

"I MOVE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT THE BUDGET AS PRESENTED."

Mayor Pro Tem John Kirkland YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Cynthia Meyer YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Cheryl Lee YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Jimmy Crouch YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Kevin Plunkett YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED on Second Reading on the 19nd day of September 2023, by the following motion:

"I MOVE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT THE BUDGET AS PRESENTED."

Mayor Pro Tem John Kirkland YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Cynthia Meyer YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Cheryl Lee YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Jimmy Crouch YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

Council Member Kevin Plunkett YEA___ NAY___ ABSTAIN___ ABSENT___

APPROVED:

Lyle Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann Franklin, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney