

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09-22A

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ASSESSING AD VALOREM TAXES;
CONFIRMING AND GRANTING EXEMPTIONS; AND CONTAINING FINDINGS
AND PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT**

WHEREAS, the tax assessor and collector of the City (“Assessor”) has made the certifications, reports and calculations required by the Texas Tax Code and has published the information required to be published, having been designated to do so by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has proposed a tax rate and held two public hearings on that rate, after giving the required notices, and, after the hearing, the City Council set and publicly announced this meeting, at which the tax rate would be set; and

WHEREAS, the City has caused notice of this meeting and the setting of the tax rate to be given as required by law, and the City has taken all other steps necessary to set the tax rate for the current tax year;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY ARCOLA, TEXAS:

Section 1. The matters and facts set out in the preamble of this ordinance are found and determined to be true and correct, and the City Council adopts, confirms, and ratifies all of the calculations, reports, publications, notices and other preparatory steps preceding the consideration of this ordinance.

Section 2. The City Council hereby levies, assesses and adopts the following tax rate per \$100 valuation for the current tax year, such tax being levied and assessed upon all property subject to taxation by the City:

\$0.631618 For the purposes of maintenance and operations

\$0.141761 For the purposes of debt service

\$0.773379 Total tax rate

Section 3. Such tax is hereby levied and assessed in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and the tax proceeds shall provide funds for debt service, maintenance and operations of the City for the fiscal year next beginning, in accordance with the budget. This section does not prevent the use of tax proceeds for any other lawful purpose.

Section 4. The Assessor is hereby directed to assess and collect taxes on all property subject to taxation by the City on the basis of 100% of the assessed valuation thereof at the rate set by this ordinance. The taxes levied hereby shall be delinquent after January 31 next occurring.

Section 5. The City Council hereby confirms and re-grants the exemptions from taxation previously granted or established, subject to the legal requirements applicable to each exemption.

Section 6. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict only.

Section 7. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section or other part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall ever be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, neither the remainder of this ordinance, nor the application of such word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this ordinance to any other persons or circumstances, shall be affected thereby.

Section 8. The City Council officially finds, determines and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of each meeting at which this ordinance was discussed, considered, or acted upon was given in the manner required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, and that each such meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during such discussion, consideration and action. The City Council ratifies, approves and confirms such notices and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND SIGNED on September 22, 2020.

Voting Aye: 5

Voting Nay: 0

Absent: 0

ATTEST (SEAL):

Sally Cant
City Secretary

SIGNED:

[Signature]
Mayor

