

ORDINANCE NO. 2579

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, FIXING THE TAX RATE OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 AND LEVYING AND ORDERING COLLECTION FOR THE YEAR 2013 AND PROVIDING A LIEN ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TO SECURE THE PAYMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Terrell has duly approved and adopted a Budget for the operation for the City for fiscal year 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance anticipates and requires the levy of an ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the City of Terrell; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Appraiser of Kaufman County Single Appraisal District has prepared and certified the appraisal roll for the City of Terrell, Texas, that roll being that portion of the approved appraisal roll of the Kaufman County Single Appraisal District which lists property taxable by the City of Terrell; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to levy such an ad valorem tax at a given rate to generate revenues sufficient to meet the projected expenses of the City of Terrell for Fiscal Year 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held by the City Council related to the subject of this Ordinance and all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the City has fully and timely complied with all notice and other requirements relative to the adoption of a tax rate for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

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

SECTION I.

That there be and is hereby levied and ordered collected on each One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) valuation of all taxable property, both real and personal, and all property of every kind and description subject to taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Terrell, Texas, on January 1, 2014, the sum of \$0.6493 based on 100% of the assessed valuation. Said rate of ad valorem tax is levied for the following purposes and the following amounts:

General Fund	\$0.5348
Interest/Sinking Fund	\$0.1145

SECTION II.

That all taxes collected by the City and districts for which it is collecting taxes, shall be payable on October 1, and if such taxes are not paid in full on or before January 31, of the succeeding year, the following penalties shall be payable: During the month of February, six (6%) percent of amount of tax, plus 1% for each additional month delinquent, to a maximum of 12% beginning July 1. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest at the rate of one (1%) for each month or portion of month the tax remains delinquent.

SECTION III.

That the City of Terrell shall have a lien on each and every item of taxable property located in the City of Terrell for the purpose of securing the payment of taxes, penalties, interest and all costs of collection assessed against said property, and said lien shall continue to exist against any item of property against which a tax is assessed hereunder until such tax, together with all interest, penalty and costs of collection shall be paid.

SECTION IV.

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 V.

That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and adoption.

SECTION VI.

All other ordinances and Code provisions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of any such conflict or inconsistency and all other provisions of the Terrell City Code not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.

APPROVED:

HAL RICHARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JOHN ROUNSAVALL, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY GAYLE RAMSEY, CITY ATTORNEY