ORDINANCE NO. 597

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT, LEVY, AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2022 AND FOR EACH YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL OTHERWISE PROVIDED; PROVIDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH TAXES SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST ON ALL TAXES NOT TIMELY PAID; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

* * * * * * * * * * * WHEREAS, Section 26.05 of the Texas Tax Code provides that by September 30 or the 60th day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the taxing unit, the governing body of each taxing unit shall adopt a tax rate for the current tax year; and

WHEREAS, such Section further provides that where the tax rate consists of two components (one which will impose the amount of taxes needed to pay the City's debt service and the other which will impose the amount of taxes needed to fund maintenance and operation expenditures of the City for the next fiscal year), each of such two components must be approved separately; and

WHEREAS, the proposed tax rate for the current tax year of the City of Waller, Texas, consists of two such components, rate of thirty and 14/1000ths cents (\$0.3014) per \$100) of value for maintenance and operation expenditures and a tax rate of twenty and 18/1000ths cents (\$0.2018) per \$100 of value to fund debt service expenditures; and

WHEREAS, a budget appropriating revenues generated by the collection of ad valorem for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Waller has been approved and adopted by the Waller City Council as required by Title Four (4), Section 102.009 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, by separate motions heretofore approved by the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas, at a meeting of said City Council held on the 27th day of September 2022, said City Council has approved separately the tax rate heretofore specified for each of said components; and

WHEREAS, having thus separately approved the tax rate for each of such components, it is necessary and appropriate for the City Council to now formally pass, approve, and adopt a 2022 tax rate ordinance for the City of Waller, Texas; and

WHEREAS, all notices and hearings required by law as a prerequisite to the passage, approval, and adoption of said tax rate ordinance have been timely and properly given and held; now, therefore,

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

<u>Section 1</u>. The facts and recitations set forth in the preamble of this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted, ratified, and confirmed.

Section 2. All property subject to ad valorem taxation by the City of Waller, Texas, shall be equally and uniformly assessed for such purposes at One Hundred Percent (100%) of the fair market value of such property.

Section 3. There is hereby levied for general purposes and use by the City of Waller, Texas, for the year 2022, and for each year thereafter until otherwise provided, an ad valorem tax at the rate of fifty and 32/100ths cents (\$0.5032) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation on all property, real, personal, and mixed, within the corporate limits upon which an ad valorem tax is authorized by law to be levied by the City of Waller, Texas. The proceeds from such tax shall be applied to the payment of the general and current expenses of the government of the City. All such taxes shall be assessed and

collected in current money of the United States of America.

For the purpose of paying the interest on bonds, warrants, certificates Section 4. of obligation, or other lawfully authorized evidence of indebtedness issued by the City of Waller, Texas, including the various installments of principal due on the serial bonds, warrants, certificates of obligation, or other lawfully authorized evidence of indebtedness issued by the City as such installments shall respectively mature, and for the purpose of repaying any sums borrowed in anticipation of current revenues for use in the payment of bonds and certificates of obligation and interest thereon maturing in the fiscal year 2022-2023, and for the purpose of paying interest and making provisions for the sinking fund on such other bond issues, warrants, certificates of obligation, or other lawfully authorized evidence of indebtedness as may be authorized, there is hereby levied for the year 2022 and for each year thereafter until otherwise provided, to be assessed and collected upon all property described in Section 2 of this Ordinance, an ad valorem tax at the rate of twenty and 18/1000ths cents (\$0.2018) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation. All such taxes shall be assessed and collected in current money of the United States of America.

Section 5. All ad valorem taxes levied hereby, in the total amount of fifty and 21/1000ths Cents (\$0.5032) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation, as reflected by Sections 3 and 4 hereof, shall be due and payable on or before January 31, 2023. All ad valorem taxes due the City of Waller, Texas, and not paid on or before January 31 following the year for which they were levied shall bear penalty and interest as prescribed in the Texas Tax Code.

<u>Section 6</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict

herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict, hereby repealed.

<u>Section 7</u>. In the event any clause phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 27th day of September 2022.

APPROVED:

Original Signed

Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Original Signed

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary