

Ordinance

Setting a property tax rate of \$0.585264 per \$100 valuation which is effectively a 10.63% increase over the effective tax rate; and declaring an emergency.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas:

SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Corpus Christi does hereby levy and adopt the ad valorem tax rate on \$100 valuation for this city for tax year 2013 as follows:

\$0.376806	for the purpose of maintenance and operation
<u>0.208458</u>	for payment of principal and interest on debt
\$0.585264	Total Tax Rate

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

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 8.00 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$27.91.

SECTION 2: That there is hereby levied, to be assessed and collected in current money of the United States of America, for the use of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas, for the tax year 2013 and for each succeeding tax year thereafter, until otherwise provided and ordained, an annual ad valorem tax of \$0.376806 on each one hundred dollar value thereof, on all property, real, personal, and mixed, located within the said City of Corpus Christi, upon which a tax is authorized to be levied by law, and upon all franchises of all individuals, partners and corporations holding franchises in the City for defrayment of current expenses of the government, including but not limited to street improvement of said City. Said tax shall be assessed upon 100 percent of the market value of property subject thereto.

SECTION 3: That there is hereby levied, to be assessed and collected in current money of the United States of America, for the use of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas for the tax year 2013 and for each succeeding tax year thereafter, until otherwise provided and ordained, an annual ad valorem tax of \$0.208458 on each One Hundred Dollar value on all property, real, personal, and mixed, and franchises described in Section 2 of this ordinance and assessed upon 100 percent of the market value of property subject thereto, said taxes to be appropriated for the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay the interest and principal maturities on all outstanding City of Corpus Christi bonds not otherwise provided for, and including the interest, agent fees, and maturities of the following City of Corpus Christi bonds:

**ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE DUE
FY 2013-2014**

	Principal	Interest & Fees	Total
2004 Certificates of Obligation	\$320,000	\$13,513	\$333,513
2005 General Obligation	\$6,065,000	\$634,928	\$6,699,928
2005 Certificates of Obligation	\$310,000	\$32,316	\$342,316
2006 Certificates of Obligation	\$425,000	\$57,153	\$482,153
2007 Certificates of Obligation	\$112,398	\$86,216	\$198,614
2007 General Obligation	\$180,000	\$136,714	\$316,714
2007A General Obligation	\$1,355,000	\$1,102,587	\$2,457,587
2008 Tax Notes	\$1,090,000	\$77,968	\$1,167,968
2008 Certificates of Obligation	\$245,000	\$50,077	\$295,077
2009 General Obligation	\$3,370,000	\$3,453,957	\$6,823,957
2009 Certificates of Obligation	\$300,000	\$310,062	\$610,062
2010 General Obligation	\$525,000	\$466,163	\$991,163
2010 Certificates of Obligation	\$110,000	\$108,684	\$218,684
2012 General Obligation	\$500,000	\$1,862,433	\$2,362,433
2012 Public Property Contractual Obligation	\$560,000	\$148,428	\$708,428
2012C General Obligation	\$3,300,000	\$1,030,175	\$4,330,175
2012D General Obligation	\$1,845,000	\$2,584,107	\$4,429,107

2013 General Obligation	\$1,500,000	\$2,841,492	\$4,341,492
2013 Tax Notes	\$1,160,000	\$68,912	\$1,228,912
Total required for 2014 debt service	\$23,272,398	\$15,065,885	\$38,338,283
Less: Amount paid from unencumbered fund balance			(\$2,826,357)
Less: Transfers for self-supporting debt			<u>(\$6,662,576)</u>
Total to be paid from taxes in 2014			\$28,849,350

In addition to the ad valorem tax levy for debt service totaling \$29,438,112, the balance of this debt, if any, incurred by the City of Corpus Christi shall be funded from sources other than ad valorem taxes.

SECTION 4: That all taxes for the tax year 2013 hereby levied shall be due on receipt of the tax bill and shall be delinquent if not paid before February 1, 2014, except as otherwise provided in the Texas Property Tax Code; and penalty and interest shall be due on any delinquent taxes as provided by Chapter 33 of said Property Tax Code. No discount shall be allowed for early payment of taxes. The Texas Constitution, Property Tax Code and other applicable laws shall govern all matters related to the taxes levied herein, and the City shall have all authority thereunder.

SECTION 5: If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance, for it is the definite intent of this City Council that every section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision hereof be given full force and effect for its purpose.

SECTION 6: That upon written request of the Mayor or five Council members, copy attached, the City Council (1) finds and declares an emergency due to the need for immediate action necessary for the efficient and effective administration of City affairs and (2) suspends the Charter rule that requires consideration of and voting upon ordinances at two regular meetings so that this ordinance is passed and takes effect upon first reading as an emergency measure this _____ day of September, 2013.

ATTEST:

THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Armando Chapa
City Secretary

Nelda Martinez
Mayor

Corpus Christi, Texas

_____ Day of _____, 2013

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Corpus Christi, Texas

For the reasons set forth in the emergency clause of the foregoing ordinance an emergency exists requiring suspension of the Charter rule as to consideration and voting upon ordinances at two regular meetings: I/we, therefore, request that you suspend said Charter rule and pass this ordinance finally on the date it is introduced, or at the present meeting of the City Council.

Respectfully,

Respectfully,

Nelda Martinez
Mayor

Council Members

The above ordinance was passed by the following vote:

Kelley Allen	_____
Rudy Garza Jr.	_____
Priscilla G. Leal	_____
David Loeb	_____
Chad Magill	_____
Nelda Martinez	_____
Colleen McIntyre	_____
Lillian Riojas	_____
Mark Scott	_____