

## Ordinance

**Setting a property tax rate of \$0.585264 per \$100 valuation which is effectively a 7.71% 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 2014 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 7.88 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$27.53.**

**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 2014 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 2014 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 2014-2015**

	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest &amp; Fees</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2005 General Obligation</b>	\$6,515,000	\$168,683	\$6,683,683
<b>2005 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$335,000	\$13,699	\$348,699
<b>2006 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$445,000	\$29,616	\$474,616
<b>2007 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$122,773	\$78,969	\$201,742
<b>2007 General Obligation</b>	\$195,000	\$125,249	\$320,249
<b>2007A General Obligation</b>	\$1,405,000	\$1,020,216	\$2,425,216
<b>2008 Tax Notes</b>	\$1,125,000	\$19,800	\$1,144,800
<b>2008 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$255,000	\$37,027	\$292,027
<b>2009 General Obligation</b>	\$3,470,000	\$3,265,907	\$6,735,907
<b>2009 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$315,000	\$287,175	\$602,175
<b>2010 General Obligation</b>	\$545,000	\$434,236	\$979,236
<b>2010 Certificates of Obligation</b>	\$115,000	\$101,979	\$216,979
<b>2012 General Obligation</b>	\$500,000	\$1,847,390	\$2,347,390
<b>2012 Public Property Contractual Obligation</b>	\$575,000	\$130,037	\$705,037
<b>2012C General Obligation</b>	\$3,455,000	\$912,205	\$4,367,205
<b>2012D General Obligation</b>	\$2,185,000	\$2,574,641	\$4,759,641
<b>2013 General Obligation</b>	\$1,500,000	\$3,735,538	\$5,235,538

	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest &amp; Fees</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2014 Public Property Contractual Obligation</b>	\$655,000	\$211,609	\$866,609
<b>2014 Tax Notes</b>	<u>\$1,075,000</u>	<u>\$114,923</u>	<u>\$1,189,923</u>
<b>Total required for 2015 debt service</b>	\$24,787,773	\$15,108,899	\$39,896,672
<b>Less: Amount paid from unencumbered fund balance</b>			(\$3,820,848)
<b>Less: Transfers for self-supporting debt</b>			<u>(\$6,638,116)</u>
<b>Total to be paid from taxes in 2015</b>			\$29,437,708

In addition to the ad valorem tax levy for debt service totaling \$29,437,708, 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 2014 hereby levied shall be due on receipt of the tax bill and shall be delinquent if not paid before February 1, 2015, 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, 2014.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

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Rebecca Huerta  
City Secretary  
Corpus Christi, Texas

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Nelda Martinez  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

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,

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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 \_\_\_\_\_