

**THIS IS A DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL,
SIGNED ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

AN ORDINANCE

SETTING A PROPOSED AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017, ALSO BEING TAX YEAR 2016, AT 55.827 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION, WHICH INCLUDES 34.677 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND 21.150 CENTS PER \$100 OF TAXABLE VALUATION FOR DEBT SERVICE; AND PROVIDING THAT SEPARATE ORDINANCES ADOPTING THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAX RATE AND THE DEBT SERVICE TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2016 WILL BE CONSIDERED AT THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2016, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

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WHEREAS, property tax values are determined by the Bexar Appraisal District (“BAD”) in conformance with state law; and

WHEREAS, values for the City of San Antonio recently reported by Bexar Appraisal District (BAD) for the Tax Year beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016 (“Tax Year 2016”), show an increase in net taxable value of approximately \$8.62 billion, or 9.55% above last year; and

WHEREAS, the property tax rate consists of two components, the Maintenance and Operations tax rate and the Debt Service tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Year 2016 Maintenance and Operations tax rate is 34.677 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Year 2016 Debt Service tax rate is 21.150 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation, and is consistent with the requirements of the City’s Debt Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the two values combined represent a proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2016 of 55.827 cents per \$100.00 of taxable valuation, which exceeds the Tax Year 2016 effective rate of 52.428 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code, the City Council will, by ordinance to be passed and approved on the same date as this Ordinance, set the dates, times, and locations for the two public hearings on the proposed tax rate that are required in order to adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback rate or the effective rate, which ordinance will also provide for publication, posting and broadcasting of all required public notices of each of the public hearings; and

WHEREAS, also in accordance with and pursuant to Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code, and applicable provisions of the City Charter, the City Council now wishes to provide that separate ordinances adopting the maintenance and operations tax rate and the debt service tax rate for Tax Year 2016 will be considered at the September 15, 2016, City Council meeting; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby sets a proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2017, also being Tax Year 2016, of 55.827 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation, which is comprised of a maintenance and operations component of 34.677 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation and a debt service component of 21.150 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation. The proposed tax rate set out above is the tax rate recommended in the City Manager's proposed budget for Tax Year 2016. The proposed tax rate of 55.827 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation exceeds the effective rate for Tax Year 2016.

SECTION 2. The dates, times and locations of the two public hearings on the proposed tax rate that are required by Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code, to adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback rate or the effective rate, will be established by Ordinance to be passed and approved on the same date as this Ordinance, which Ordinance will also provide for publication, posting and broadcasting of all required public notices of each of the public hearings.

SECTION 3. Separate ordinances adopting the maintenance and operations tax rate and the debt service tax rate for Tax Year 2016 will be considered at the September 15, 2016 City Council meeting.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED and APPROVED this ___ day of _____, 2016.

M A Y O R
Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney