

AN ORDINANCE

2020-08-06-0463

**SETTING THE FOLLOWING DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2020-2021: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020, 5:00 P.M., AND THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020, 9:00 A.M., EITHER IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 105 MAIN PLAZA OR BY VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION, AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY MANAGER; SETTING THE FOLLOWING DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 5:00 P.M., AND THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020, 9:00 A.M., EITHER IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 105 MAIN PLAZA, OR BY VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION, AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY MANAGER; AND SCHEDULING BUDGET WORK SESSIONS.**

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**WHEREAS**, a public hearing on the proposed annual budget of the City of San Antonio is required by Section 102.006 of the Texas Local Government Code and Section 82 of the City Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, one public hearing on the proposed annual tax rate of the City of San Antonio is required by Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code if it exceeds the lower of the voter-approval tax rate (formerly called the rollback rate) or the no-new revenue tax rate (formerly called the effective rate); and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Tax Year 2020 total tax rate of 55.827 cents per \$100.00 of taxable valuation does exceed the lower of the voter-approval tax rate or the no-new revenue tax rate, thus requiring the one tax rate public hearing described above; and

**WHEREAS**, in keeping with the practice in prior years, City Staff has recommended that two budget public hearings and two tax rate public hearings be scheduled and held this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council now wishes to officially set the dates, times, and locations for the public hearings and provide for public notice; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to schedule additional special meetings for City Staff and City Council to plan the FY 2020 budget; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

**SECTION 1.** Two (2) public hearings on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 proposed budget are hereby scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. until completion, and for Thursday, September 10, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. until completion, with both hearings to be held either in the City Council Chamber, 105 Main Plaza, or by virtual participation, as determined by the City Manager in his sole, unfettered discretion based upon public health, safety and welfare considerations and necessities existing at the time of each public hearing.

**SECTION 2.** Because the proposed tax rate for the Tax Year beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020 heretofore set by the City Council by an Ordinance approved and adopted on the same date as this Ordinance, exceeds the lower of the voter-approval rate or the no-new revenue tax rate, two public hearings on the proposed tax rate will be held in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code. The first public hearing on the proposed tax rate is hereby scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until completion, in either the City Council Chamber, 105 Main Plaza, or by virtual participation, as determined by the City Manager in his sole, unfettered discretion based upon public health, safety and welfare considerations and necessities existing at the time of the first public hearing. The second public hearing on the proposed tax rate is hereby scheduled for Thursday, September 10, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. until completion, either in the City Council Chamber, 105 Main Plaza, or by virtual participation, as determined by the City Manager in his sole, unfettered discretion based upon public health, safety and welfare considerations and necessities existing at the time of the second public hearing.

**SECTION 3.** The City Council hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the City and its citizens to include the option to conduct one or both Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Public Hearings and/or one or both Tax Year 2020 Tax Rate Public Hearings by virtual participation in the event the City Manager so determines as more fully set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above. Protection and preservation of the public health, safety and welfare in light of the COVID-19 pandemic may well require that one or more of the Public Hearings be conducted by virtual participation. In accordance with this finding, City Staff is hereby directed to take all reasonable actions necessary to permit virtual participation in each Budget and Tax Rate Public Hearing for which the City Manager so determines for that Public Hearing.

**SECTION 4.** City staff is hereby directed to publish, post and broadcast notice of each of these public hearings as required by applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the City Charter, Chapter 102 of the Local Government Code, as amended (budget), and Chapter 26 of the Texas Property Tax Code and Chapter 140 of the Local Government Code (tax rate).

**SECTION 5.** The following Budget Work Sessions are scheduled:

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session




Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Work Session
Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 2 p.m.	Budget Amendments

Dates and/or times of scheduled Budget Work Sessions can be changed as necessary without further action of the City Council. Additional Budget Work Sessions can be scheduled and scheduled Budget Work Sessions can be canceled without further action of the City Council. All applicable provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act shall be complied with in connection with all Budget Work Sessions that are held.

Any prior ordinances scheduling Budget Work Sessions are hereby amended to reflect the current schedule.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.




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Ron Nirenberg

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



Tina J. Flores, Acting City Clerk



Andrew Segovia, City Attorney



## City of San Antonio

### City Council

August 06, 2020

**Item: 4B**

**Enactment Number:**

**File Number: 20-4464**

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Ordinance setting the date, time, and place for two Budget Public Hearings and two Ad Valorem Tax Rate Public Hearings.

Councilmember Ana E. Sandoval made a motion to approve. Councilmember Adriana Rocha Garcia seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

**Aye:** 11 Nirenberg, Treviño, Andrews-Sullivan, Viagran, Rocha Garcia,  
Gonzales, Cabello Havrda, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage and Perry