

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS DIRECTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL DIRECTOR TO CALCULATE THE VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE OF THE CITY IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR A TAXING UNIT (AT THE VOTER APPROVAL RATE OF 8%) AS A RESULT OF THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER DECLARED BY HUNT COUNTY, THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas and the President of the United States issued a Declaration of Disaster related to the Public Health Emergency due to novel coronavirus, now referred to as SARS-CoV2 which results in the disease COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting emergency orders issued by state, local, county and national officials have resulted in a devastating impact on the economy which will continue to impact government operations and our ability to provide municipal services; and

WHEREAS, Section 26.04(c-1) of the Texas Tax Code authorizes the City Council to calculate the voter-approval tax rate of the City in the manner provided for a special taxing unit if any part of the City is located in an area declared a disaster area by the governor or by the president of the United States during the current tax year; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Commerce, by this Resolution, to direct the City's Finance Director Jamie Campbell to calculate the City's voter-approval tax rate in the manner provided for a special taxing unit for the duration allowed by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS;

SECTION 1: That the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas, finds and determines that the premises hereof are true and correct.

SECTION 2: That the City Council hereby directs the City Manager, his designees, the Director of Financial Services, and the to calculate the voter-approval tax rate in the same manner provided for a special taxing unit (at the 8% voter-approval rate) for tax year 2020 and until the earlier of: 1) the second tax year in which the total taxable value of property in the City exceeds the total taxable value of property taxable by the City on January 1st of tax year 2020; or 2) the third tax year after tax year 2020.

SECTION 3: That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 21st day of July, 2020.

ATTEST:


Molly Jacobsen
City Secretary

CITY OF COMMERCE:


Wyman Williams
Mayor

(seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Charles Anderson
City Attorney

I, Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary of the City of Commerce, Texas, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution, and that the same has not been repealed and is in full force and effect.


Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary

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