

**VILLAGE OF VOLENTE**

**ORDINANCE 2021-O-5**

**2021 Tax Levy Ordinance**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE 2021 AD VALOREM TAX RATE AND LEVY OF EIGHT AND SIXTY-FOUR HUNDREDTHS OF A CENT (\$0.0864) PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE CITY LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND INTEREST; AND PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; SEVERABILITY; SAVINGS CLAUSE; PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, a budget appropriating revenues generated for the use and support of the municipal government of the Village of Volente ("Village") has been approved and adopted by the City Council of the Village of Volente ("City Council") as required by Chapter 102 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, a notice of the meeting to consider the proposed tax rate was published in the Village's official newspaper; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the Village has general authority to adopt an ordinance or police regulation that is for the good government, peace or order of the Village and is necessary of proper for carrying out a power granted by to the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that it is necessary and proper for the good government, peace or order of the Village to adopt an ordinance establishing an ad valorem tax rate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VOLENTE CITY COUNCIL:**

**1. APPROVAL OF 2021 TAX RATE & LEVY**

That there be and is hereby levied and shall be assessed and collected for the year 2021, on all taxable property, real, personal, and mixed, situated within the city limits of the Village, and not exempt the Constitution of the State and valid state laws, an ad valorem tax rate of Eight and Sixty-Four Hundredths of a Cent (\$0.0864) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed value of taxable property, and shall be apportioned and distributed as follows:

- (a) For the purpose of defraying the current expenses and budget of the municipal government of the Village (maintenance and operations (M&O)), a tax rate of Eight and Sixty-Four Hundredths of a Cent (\$0.0864) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed value of taxable property.

- (b) For the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay interest and principal maturities on all outstanding debt of the Village, not otherwise provided for, a tax rate of \$0.0864 on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value of taxable property within the Village which shall be applied to the payment of interest and maturities of all such outstanding debt

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.72 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000.00 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$86.40.

The City Secretary shall cause the following notice to be posted on the homepage of the Village's internet website:

THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS, ADOPTED A TAX RATE THAT WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.72% PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000.00 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$86.40.

## **2. PENALTY & INTEREST**

All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed and the Village Tax Assessor/Collector for the Village of Volente, Texas, shall by virtue of the tax rolls, fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real or personal, or the payment of said taxes, penalty and interest for the general fund of the Village of Volente, Texas.

## **3. FINDINGS OF FACT**

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

## **4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**

That is any section, subsection, paragraph, clause, phrase, or provision of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid or held unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of

this Ordinance as a whole or provision thereof, other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional.

**5. SAVINGS CLAUSE**

That all previous budget ordinances shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this Ordinance.

**6. PUBLICATION CLAUSE**

The City Secretary of the Village of Volente, Texas, is hereby directed to place the information above on the Village's Website and provide all other notice as required by law.

**7. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The necessity for making and approving a budget for the fiscal year, as required by the laws of the State of Texas, requires that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as the law in such provides.

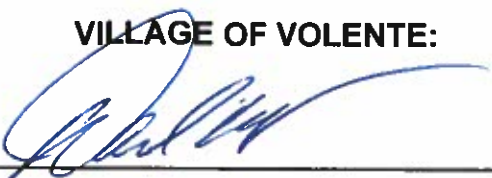
**8. PROPER NOTICE & MEETING**

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

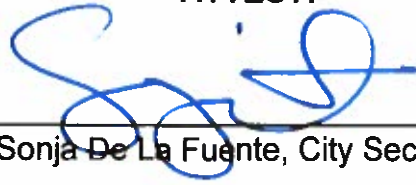
**PASSED & APPROVED** this, the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021 by the following City Council of Volente roll call vote:

<b>Mayor Pro Tem Racht</b>	<u> X </u>	<i>for</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>against</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>abstain</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>absent</i>
<b>Council Member Evans</b>	<u> X </u>	<i>for</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>against</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>abstain</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>absent</i>
<b>Council Member Hopkins</b>	<u> X </u>	<i>for</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>against</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>abstain</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>absent</i>
<b>Council Member Ruff</b>	<u>    </u>	<i>for</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>against</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>abstain</i>	<u> X </u>	<i>absent</i>
<b>Council Member Wilson</b>	<u> X </u>	<i>for</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>against</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>abstain</i>	<u>    </u>	<i>absent</i>

**VILLAGE OF VOLENTE:**

  
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Daniel C. Thost, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



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Sonja De La Fuente, City Secretary