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DATE: **9.11.2015** TIME: **3:10 p.m.**

ORDINANCE NO. O-2015-0023

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF LA MARQUE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas will conduct a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, **September 15, 2015** at 6:00 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

(1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(2) ROLL CALL

- (3)** Discussion/possible action regarding Ordinance No. **O-2015-0023**, levying ad valorem taxes for use and operation of the municipal government of the City of La Marque, Texas for the 2015 tax year; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid – Finance Director S. Kou. **THIS IS THE FIRST READING.**

(4) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Requests by Mayor and Council Members for items to be placed on future City Council agendas and announcements on city events/community interests TEX. GOV'T CODE §551.415. (b), "items of community interest" includes:

- (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence;
- (2) information regarding holiday schedules;
- (3) an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen, except that a discussion regarding a change in the status of a person's public office or public employment is not an honorary or salutary recognition for purposes of this subdivision;
- (4) a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body;
- (5) information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality or county; and
- (6) announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality or county that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

(5) ADJOURNMENT



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CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at 1109-B Bayou Road,
La Marque, Texas **on or before September 11, 2015 before 5:00 p.m.**

Robin Eldridge, TRMC
City Clerk

This Agenda was removed from the Bulletin Board by _____ on _____.

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA FORM

Meeting Date: 9/15/2015
Prepared by: Suzy Kou
Department: Finance

Agenda item: _____
Reviewed by: _____

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION: Discussion/possible action to approve Ordinance No. **O-2015-0023** levying ad valorem taxes for use and operation of the municipal government of the City of La Marque, Texas for the 2015 tax year; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid. **THIS IS THE FIRST READING.**



Attachments for reference:
1. Ordinance

Staff Briefing: In order to meet statutory requirements for budget and state property tax code, the proposed ordinance is attached.

History (if applicable):

Target Implementation:

- **September 15, 2015**- 2015 Tax rate adoption on First Reading.
- **September 26, 2015**- 2015 Tax rate adoption on Second Reading.

Significant Action Dates:

- **August 10, 2015**- Set dates and time for public hearings on proposed tax rate.
- **August 17, 2015**- First Public Hearing on proposed tax rate for tax year 2015.
- **September 1, 2015**- Second Public Hearing on proposed tax rate for tax year 2015.
- **September 15, 2015**- Adoption of tax rate 2015 on First Reading.
- **September 26, 2015**- Adoption of tax rate 2015 on Second and Final Reading.

Action:



Ordinance



Resolution



Proclamation



Special Presentation



Finance Report



Public Hearing



Other (be Specific)



Check box if there is no conflict with City Charter, ordinances, resolutions, or policies.

Cost Details:

Budgeted	
Actual Bid	
Estimated Expenditure	
Acct. Name	
Line Items #	
Other Funding	



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA FORM

Staff's Recommendation: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.490764, which is effectively a 3.4 percent increase in the tax rate."

Fiscal Impact: See 2015-16 Budget for details.

ORDINANCE NO. O-2015-0023

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND OPERATION OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LA MARQUE, TEXAS FOR THE 2015 TAX YEAR; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND, PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MARQUE;

SECTION 1. That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected, for use and operation of the municipal government of the City of La Marque and to provide an Interest and Sinking Fund for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, upon all property, real, personal and mixed within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation here set forth:

1. For the maintenance and operation of the general government **0.415202** on each \$100.00 taxable valuation of property; and
2. For the interest and sinking fund, **0.075562** on each \$100.00 taxable valuation of property.

For a total tax rate of **0.490764** on each \$100.00 taxable valuation of property tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth above.

SECTION 2. All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the assessor and collector for the City of La Marque is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and ordinances of the City of La Marque and shall, by virtue of the tax rolls, fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real or personal, for the payment of said taxes, penalty and interest and, the interest penalty collected from such delinquent taxes shall be apportioned to the general fund of the City of La Marque. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate as prescribed by state law.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall take effect after the second reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the first reading on this ____ day of September 2015, at a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas, there being a quorum present, by ____ **AYES** and ____ **NAYES** and approved by the Mayor on the date above set.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the second and final reading on this the ____ day of September 2015, at a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas, there being a quorum present by ____ **AYES** and ____ **NAYES** and approved by the Mayor on the date above set.

CITY OF LA MARQUE

Bobby Hocking, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin Eldridge, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ellis J. Ortego, City Attorney