

**ORDINANCE NO. 7621**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE 2025-26 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR SAID PERIOD; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 102.007 of the Texas Local Government Code provides in part that the adoption of a budget that will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year requires a separate vote of the governing body to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget;

**WHEREAS**, Section 102.007 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that this ratification be in addition to and separate from the vote to adopt the budget or a vote to set the tax rate required by Chapter 26, Texas Tax Code, or other law; and

**WHEREAS**, the budget of the City of Garland, Texas (the "City"), for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, as adopted by the City Council on September 2, 2025 (the "2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget"), requires raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year, and the City Council desires by adoption of this ordinance to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:**

**Section 1**

That the City Council, as the governing body of the City of Garland, Texas, having adopted the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget that will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year, hereby ratifies a property tax revenue increase of \$10,269,877.00 from last fiscal year's budget, of which \$3,805,763.00 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll.

**Section 2**

That the City Manager, or the City Manager's designee, shall complete and attach to the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget, attached as Exhibit A to this ordinance, a cover page containing all of the information required by Texas Local Government Code § 102.007(d).

**Section 3**

That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph, or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4**

That this Ordinance shall be and become effective immediately upon and after its passage and approval.

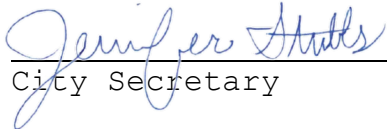
**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 2nd day of September, 2025.

**CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS**



\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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City Secretary



**Exhibit A**

## Disclosure

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$10,269,877, which is a 5.75 percent increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$3,805,763.

On September 2, 2025, the following City Council members voted on the Adopted FY 2024-25 Annual Operating Budget as follows:

**FOR:**

Dylan Hedrick, Mayor  
Jeff Bass, District 1  
Kris Beard, District 2  
Ed Moore, District 3  
B.J. Williams, District 4  
Margaret Lucht, Mayor Pro Tem & District 5  
Carissa Dutton, District 6  
Joe Thomas Jr., District 7  
Chris Ott, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem & District 8

**AGAINST:**

None

**ABSENT:**

None

### **Property Tax Rate Comparison**

	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
Property Tax Rate:	\$0.689746/100	\$0.689746/100
No New Revenue Tax Rate:	\$0.658813/100	\$0.614275/100
No New Revenue Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate:	\$0.278896/100	\$0.280627/100
Voter Approval Tax Rate:	\$0.689746/100	\$0.689746/100
Debt Service Tax Rate:	\$0.401089/100	\$0.399298/100

Total debt obligation for City of Garland secured by property taxes: \$110,408,633.

**City of Garland, Texas**  
**2025-26 Adopted Annual Operating Budget**  
**September 2, 2025**

In accordance with Section 140.0045 of the Local Government Code, which requires the itemization of certain expenditures by a political subdivision, the City of Garland is expected to expend for the year ended September 30, 2025, and has budgeted for FY 2025-26 the following amounts, respectively:

Notices required by law to be published in a newspaper: \$65,150 and \$55,700

Lobbying activities: \$820,367 and \$751,846