



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Office of Management & Budget

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Justina Tate

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Ordinance ratifying the adoption of the FY2024 Budget that will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the FY2023 Budget.

SUMMARY:

Following the action taken for adoption of the Annual Operating and Capital Budgets for the City of San Antonio for Fiscal Year 2024, the City Council will consider, through separate ordinance, the ratification of the vote on the Budget to comply with State law.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Texas Local Government Code Section 102.007(c) mandates that a budget that will raise more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year requires a separate vote of the governing body to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the budget. The Fiscal Year 2024 Budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, and therefore, it will be necessary for the City Council to ratify its vote adopting the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget.

Property tax values are determined by the Bexar Appraisal District in conformance with State law. Tax Year 2023 (also being FY 2024) total taxable value for the City of San Antonio is \$155 billion which is an increase in net taxable value of \$10.6 billion, or 7.4% more than the Tax Year 2022

(also being FY 2023) total taxable value. Included in this total is \$3.0 billion in new improvements and an increase of \$7.6 billion in existing valuations from the FY 2023 Adopted Budget. This budget will raise more total property tax revenue than last year's budget by \$50,969,006 or 7.14%, and of that amount, \$16,199,615 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Of the \$50,969,006 in added property tax revenue, \$31,054,463 is proposed to be used in the City's General Fund to support essential City services such as Police, Fire, Streets, Parks and Recreation and Code Enforcement. The remaining \$19,914,543 is proposed to be used for debt service payments on debt issued for capital projects.

ISSUE:

Following the consideration and vote on the City's Fiscal Year 2024 Budget, the City Council will be required by State Law to ratify their vote on the adoption of the Budget with an additional vote. This ratification vote is required since the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget will raise more revenues from property taxes than was raised by the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is required by State Law.

FISCAL IMPACT:

City Council adoption of this ordinance, which is required by State law, will ratify the adoption of the FY 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets that establish approved expenditures and financial reserve levels. This budget will raise more total property tax revenue than last year's budget by \$50,969,006 or 7.14%. Of the \$50,969,006 in added property tax revenue, \$31,054,463 is proposed to be used in the City's General Fund to support essential City services such as Police, Fire, Streets, Parks and Recreation and Code Enforcement. The remaining \$19,914,543 is proposed to be used for debt service payments on debt issued for capital projects.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this item.