

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 RATE OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE AUSTIN DOWNTOWN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND APPROVING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The City Council finds that:

- (A) Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes the creation of the Austin Downtown Public Improvement District (District).
- (B) On June 9, 2022, the City Council passed a resolution reauthorizing the District, in accordance with its findings.
- (C) The City Council finds that the assessment roll, attached as Exhibit A and incorporated in this ordinance, by reference, is necessary to fund improvements and services provided through the District.

PART 2. The District assessment rate for calendar year 2026 is set at \$0.0925 per \$100.00 property value. Property value is determined by the Travis Central Appraisal District appraisal, subject to an amendment to the assessment made by City Council, after a hearing.

PART 3. The City Council directs that the assessment roll, attached as Exhibit A, be filed with the City Clerk. The following property shall be excluded from the roll and exempted from payment of the assessment:

- (A) Property of the City (provided, however, that during each year in which the District remains in effect and the Council appropriates sufficient funds, the City shall pay a certain amount in lieu of an assessment);
- (B) Property of the County, and property owned by political subdivisions of the State of Texas and used for public purposes;
- (C) Property owned by a church or by a strictly religious society, and which yields no revenue to such church or religious society, and which is used as an actual place of religious worship or as a dwelling place for the ministry of such church or religious society;

- (D) Property owned by persons or associations of persons which is used exclusively for school purposes;
- (E) Property owned by an association engaged in promoting the religious, educational, and physical development of boys, girls, young men, or young women operating under a state or national organization of like character and used exclusively and necessarily for such purpose, including, but not limited to, property owned by the Austin Independent School District;
- (F) Property owned by institutions of purely public charity;
- (G) Property that was used primarily for recreational, park, or scenic purposes during the immediately preceding calendar year;
- (H) Property owned by public or private utilities that is located in public streets or rights-of-way;
- (I) Property used for residential purposes that fall under the definition of a homestead provided in Section 41.001 of the Texas Property Code;
- (J) Property owned by The University of Texas and the State of Texas;
- (K) All hospitals; and
- (L) The first \$500,000 in valuation of all properties liable for assessment.

PART 4. Property designated by the City as “H” Historic is assessed on the basis of the value prescribed in Section 11-1-22 of the City Code (Determination of Exemption Amount).

PART 5. The City Council approves the attached Exhibit A, as the calendar year 2026 assessment roll for the District.

PART 6. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance.

PART 7. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 2025 § _____
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 Kirk Watson
 Mayor

APPROVED: _____ **ATTEST:** _____
 Deborah Thomas Erika Brady
 City Attorney City Clerk