

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 ANNUAL PROGRAM OF SERVICES (BUDGET) AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM AVAILABLE RESOURCES; RATIFYING ALL PRIOR TRANSFERS MADE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE CITY MANAGER PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 8.07 OF THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DENTON; REQUIRING CITY MANAGER TO FILE A COPY OF THE BUDGET WITH THE CITY SECRETARY, DENTON COUNTY CLERK AND TEXAS COMPTROLLER, AND ENSURING THE RECORD VOTE, BUDGET AND COVER PAGE IS POSTED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing on the Annual Program of Services for the City of Denton, Texas, for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (Budget) was heretofore published on August 30, 2025, which was not earlier than the 30th, or later than the 10th day before the date of said public hearing and such other notice was given in accordance with all applicable law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Budget was filed with the City Secretary and posted on the City's Internet website in accordance with all applicable law; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on said Budget was duly held on September 9, 2025, and all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard for or against any item thereof; and

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2025, the Public Utilities Board recommended the Electric, Water, Wastewater, and Solid Waste utility operations budgets and capital improvements to be constructed during the coming year; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The findings and recitations contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The Budget for the City of Denton, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on September 30, 2026, prepared by the City Manager and filed with the City Secretary, as amended by the City Council, is hereby approved and adopted, a copy of which Budget is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby appropriates from available resources to the following funds:

EXPENDITURES	2025-2026 ADOPTED
General Fund	\$ 218,824,966
General Debt Service Fund	143,561,695
Electric Fund	509,582,231
Water Fund	62,799,520
Wastewater Fund	51,361,578
Solid Waste Fund	45,353,673
Airport Fund	2,585,416
Customer Service Fund	11,873,598
Technology Services Fund	25,051,383
Materials Management Fund	20,934,363
Fleet Management Fund	18,663,445
Risk Retention Fund	8,327,477
Health Insurance Fund	43,900,363
Engineering Services Fund	13,314,400
Facilities Management Fund	8,459,548
Street Improvement Fund	23,432,130
Tourist & Convention Fund	5,061,486
Police Confiscation Fund	756,180
Environmental Services Fund	5,815,738
Catalyst Fund	2,150,000
Parks Gas Well Fund	70,000
Tree Mitigation Fund	1,000,000
Public Education Government Fund	500,000
McKenna Trust Fund	20,000
Park Land Dedication Trust Fund	1,000,000
Park Development Trust Fund	1,000,000
Downtown Tax Increment Financing Fund	1,542,251
Westpark Tax Increment Financing Fund	474,006
Sustainability Framework Fund	1,050,150
Roadway Impact Fee Fund	5,000,000
Water Impact Fees	1,732,674
Wastewater Impact Fees	8,858,946
Donation Special Revenue Funds	280,500
Tourism Public Improvement District	1,203,334
Legends Municipal Utility District	204,500
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,245,745,551
Grant Program	61,069,582
Capital Improvements Program	1,244,443,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,551,258,133

SECTION 4. The City Council approves the capital improvements proposed to be constructed during the forthcoming year, which are incorporated in the 2025-2026 Budget.

SECTION 5. The Budget includes certain unlisted, authorized and unpaid encumbrances from the prior fiscal year to be carried over to the 2025-2026 Budget as determined by the City Manager or their designee.

SECTION 6. The City Council hereby ratifies all prior transfers made under the direction of the City Manager for the current and prior fiscal years pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8.07 of the City Charter of the City of Denton. At any time during the fiscal year, the City Manager may transfer any part of the unencumbered appropriation balance or the entire balance thereof between programs or general classifications or expenditures within a fund that has been appropriated by the City Council. For the purpose of this Ordinance, the City Council defines an organizational unit as set forth in Article VIII, Section 8.07 of the City Charter, to be a fund that has been appropriated by the City Council.

SECTION 7. The City Manager, or designee, shall cause copies of the Budget to be filed with the City Secretary, County Clerk of Denton County, and the State Comptroller of Public Accounts in Austin, Texas, and shall ensure a copy of the budget, including the budget cover page reflecting the rate adopted herein, and the record vote, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Sections 102.007 and 102.008, is posted on the City's website at least until the first anniversary of the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas, on this the 16th day of September 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present and the meeting was held in accordance with the provisions of Tex. Gov't Code § 551.001, *et. seq.* The City Secretary is hereby directed to record this Ordinance and the vote to adopt the Budget.

The motion to approve this ordinance was made by [_____] and seconded by [_____].
The ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote [__ – __ – __]:

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Gerard Hudspeth:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Vicki Byrd, District 1:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brian Beck, District 2:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Suzi Rumohr, District 3:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Joe Holland, District 4:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brandon Chase McGee, At Large Place 5:	_____	_____	_____	_____

Jill Jester, At Large Place 6: _____

PASSED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

GERARD HUDSPETH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
LAUREN THODEN, CITY SECRETARY

BY: _____

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
MACK REINWAND, CITY ATTORNEY

BY: _____