



**City of Azle
Special Meeting Agenda
City Council**

505 W. Main Street
Azle, Texas 76020

August 25, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Council may convene into Executive Session(s) from time to time as deemed necessary during the meeting for any posted agenda item and may receive advice from its attorney as permitted by law.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

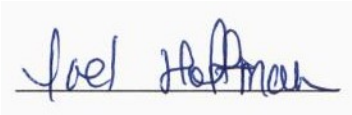
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ACTION ITEMS

1. Consider any action on Resolution 2025-16 approving and authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue Certificates of Obligation in the amount of either \$10 Million or \$20 Million.
Tom Muir, City Manager
2. Consider any action on Ordinance No. 2025-12 setting forth the expenditures/expenses to conduct each fund for the municipal government of the City of Azle, Texas for the period beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, appropriating money for the various funds, setting out the purposes of such various funds, and providing an effective date.
Stephen Barnes, Finance Director
3. Consider any action on ratifying the property tax increase reflected in the FY 2026 Budget.
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4. Consider any action on Ordinance No. 2025-13 levying taxes for the uses and support of the municipal government of the City of Azle, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, and providing for interest and sinking funds for the tax year 2025, and approving each levy for the specific purpose, and providing an effective date.
Stephen Barnes, Finance Director

ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify the above Agenda was posted at City Hall on 08/22/2025, at the City's official bulletin board and is readily accessible to the public at all times in accordance with V.T.C.A. Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joel Hoffman". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Yael Hoffman, TRMC, MMC
City Secretary

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Presenter: Tom Muir, City Manager

Agenda Item: Consider any action on Resolution 2025-16 approving and authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue Certificates of Obligation in the amount of either \$10 Million or \$20 Million.

Background and Explanation:

The proposed FY 2025-26 budget includes options for a possible issuance of certificates of obligation (COs) including: no debt issuance, a \$10 million issuance, or a \$20 million issuance.

Prior to approving a tax rate, a "notice of intent" to issue the COs needs to be issued. The notice states that in at least 45 days, the City possibly intends to issue COs. As to how much, that remains to be determined.

One draft of Resolution No. 2025-16 is the notice of intent to issue \$20 million, while the other draft of the resolution is the notice of intent to issue \$10 million. And not passing either draft resolutions (not issuing any COs) is also an option.

The stated covenants are identical on both draft resolutions - paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) constructing, improving, renovating and equipping the City's animal shelter, (ii) constructing, improving and equipping an administrative office building housing the City's equipment maintenance facilities, (iii) acquiring, designing, constructing equipping and improving fire-fighting facilities, including acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection therewith; and such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the net revenues of the City's combined waterworks and sewer system. The possible new fire station (section (iii)) is referenced to enable any remaining funds from the animal shelter project and/or the equipment maintenance facility to go towards it.

Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:

N/A.

Staff Recommendation:

N/A.

Attachments:

1. AZLE CO 2025 - Intent Resolution \$10 Million Option
2. AZLE CO 2025 - Intent Resolution \$20 Million Option

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION Approving and Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Azle, Texas (the "City"), has determined that certificates of obligation should be issued under and pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271, as amended, for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) constructing, improving, renovating and equipping the City's animal shelter, (ii) constructing, improving and equipping an administrative office building housing the City's equipment maintenance facilities, (iii) acquiring, designing, constructing, equipping and improving fire-fighting facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, prior to the issuance of such certificates, the City Council is required to publish notice of its intention to issue the same in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and on the City's website, said notice stating (i) the time and place the Council tentatively proposes to pass the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the certificates, (ii) the maximum amount proposed to be issued, (iii) the purposes for which the certificates are to be issued and (iv) the manner in which the Council proposes to pay the certificates; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That the City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published of the Council's intention to issue certificates of obligation in one or more series in the principal amount not to exceed the amount set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) constructing, improving, renovating and equipping the City's animal shelter, (ii) constructing, improving and equipping an administrative office building housing the City's equipment maintenance facilities, (iii) acquiring, designing, constructing, equipping and improving fire-fighting facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection therewith; and; such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the net revenues of the City's combined Waterworks and Sewer System. The notice hereby approved and authorized to be published shall read substantially in the form and content of **Exhibit A** hereto attached and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this resolution for all purposes.

SECTION 2: That the City Secretary shall cause the aforesaid notice to be (i) published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, once a week for two consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication to be at least forty-six (46) days prior to the date stated therein for the passage of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the certificates of obligation and (ii) posted continuously on the City's website for at least forty-five (45) days before the date stated therein for the passage of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the certificates of obligation.

SECTION 3: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Resolution, was given, all as required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended.

SECTION 4: This Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its passage on the date shown below.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this August 25, 2025.

CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

(City Seal)

EXHIBIT A

CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Azle, Texas, shall convene at 6:00 p.m. on November 18, 2025, in City Hall located at 505 W. Main Street, Azle, Texas, and, during such meeting, the City Council will consider the passage of one or more ordinances authorizing the issuance of certificates of obligation in one or more series, in a principal amount not to exceed TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) constructing, improving, renovating and equipping the City's animal shelter, (ii) constructing, improving and equipping an administrative office building housing the City's equipment maintenance facilities, (iii) acquiring, designing, constructing, equipping and improving fire-fighting facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection therewith; and; such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the net revenues of the City's combined waterworks and sewer system. In accordance with Texas Local Government Code Section 271.049, (i) the current principal amount of all of the City's outstanding public securities secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes is \$20,230,000; (ii) the current combined principal and interest required to pay all of the City's outstanding public securities secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes on time and in full is \$25,062,172; (iii) the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the certificates of obligation to be authorized on time and in full is \$15,799,566; (iv) the maximum interest rate for the certificates may not exceed the maximum legal interest rate; and (v) the maximum maturity date of the certificates to be authorized is February 15, 2045. The certificates are to be issued, and this notice is given, pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271, as amended.

City Secretary
City of Azle, Texas

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That the City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published of the Council's intention to issue certificates of obligation in one or more series in the principal amount not to exceed the amount set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for: (i) constructing, improving, renovating and equipping the City's animal shelter, (ii) constructing, improving and equipping an administrative office building housing the City's equipment maintenance facilities, (iii) acquiring, designing, constructing, equipping and improving fire-fighting facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection therewith; and; such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the net revenues of the City's combined Waterworks and Sewer System. The notice hereby approved and authorized to be published shall read substantially in the form and content of **Exhibit A** hereto attached and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this resolution for all purposes.

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Mayor

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City Secretary
City of Azle, Texas



Presenter: Stephen Barnes, Finance Director

Agenda Item: Consider any action on Ordinance No. 2025-12 setting forth the expenditures/expenses to conduct each fund for the municipal government of the City of Azle, Texas for the period beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, appropriating money for the various funds, setting out the purposes of such various funds, and providing an effective date.

Background and Explanation:

The purpose of the ordinance that follows this communication is to approve the planned expenditures/expenses and fund the municipal government for the City of Azle for its fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026.

Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:

N/A.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance No. 2025-12.

Attachments:

1. FY 2026 Budget Adoption Ordinance No Debt Issuance
2. FY 2026 Budget Adoption Ordinance \$10 Million New Debt

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, SETTING FORTH THE EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES TO CONDUCT EACH FUND FOR THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS; SETTING OUT THE PURPOSES OF SUCH VARIOUS FUNDS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION I.

The appropriation for the period of time beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, shall be distributed among the various funds established incident thereto as follows:

(a)	General Fund	\$ 22,245,313
(b)	Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,342,643
(c)	Utility Fund	\$ 11,082,876
(d)	Golf Course	\$ 1,965,970
(e)	Stormwater Fund	\$ 562,239
(f)	Street Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,049,000
(g)	Court Security Fund	\$ 7,500
(h)	Court Technology Fund	\$ 18,000
(i)	Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	\$ 0
(j)	Utility Impact Fee Fund	\$ 90,000
(k)	Tree Reforestation Fund	\$ 31,000
(l)	Capital Projects Fund	\$ 0
(m)	Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund	\$ 217,037

(n)	Crime Control & Prevention District Fund	\$ 948,897
(o)	Municipal Development District Fund	<u>\$ 1,282,235</u>
TOTAL ALLOCATION OF ALL FUNDS		\$ 40,842,710

SECTION II.

The distribution and division of the above named appropriation shall be made in accordance with the Budget of Expenditures submitted by the City Manager and as revised by the City Council and adopted by the City Council, which budget is hereby made a part of this Ordinance by reference thereto, and the same as if copied verbatim herein, and should be considered in connection with the expenditures of the above appropriations.

SECTION III.

The budget for the one-year period as set forth above has been heretofore submitted by the City Manager to the City Council, published, and a hearing held incident hereto. The City Council has theretofore approved the same in all respects. The purpose and intent of this ordinance then, is to set forth in ordinance form the funds from which budget allocations are to be derived for operational purposes; and further, to approve the budget in all respects.

SECTION IV.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to make intra-fund and/or intra-departmental transfers during the Fiscal Year as becomes necessary in order to avoid over expenditure of a particular account.

SECTION V.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to invest any funds not needed for current use, whether operating funds or bond funds, in accordance with the Investment Policy of the City of Azle, Texas.

SECTION VI.

Should any part, portion, section or provision of this ordinance be declared to be invalid or inoperative or void for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision, opinion or judgement shall in no way affect the remaining parts, portions, sections or provisions of this ordinance which provisions shall remain and continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION VII.

This ordinance shall take effect and shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 25TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.

Randa Goode, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yael Hoffman, City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, SETTING FORTH THE EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES TO CONDUCT EACH FUND FOR THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS; SETTING OUT THE PURPOSES OF SUCH VARIOUS FUNDS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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(b)	Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,706,784
(c)	Utility Fund	\$ 11,082,876
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(f)	Street Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,049,000
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(m)	Water & Sewer Capital Projects Fund	\$ 217,037

(n)	Crime Control & Prevention District Fund	\$ 948,897
(o)	Municipal Development District Fund	<u>\$ 1,282,235</u>
TOTAL ALLOCATION OF ALL FUNDS		\$ 51,206,851

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Randa Goode, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yael Hoffman, City Secretary



Presenter: Stephen Barnes, Finance Director

Agenda Item: Consider any action on ratifying the property tax increase reflected in the FY 2026 Budget.

Background and Explanation:

State Truth-in Taxation Laws require that anytime the City Council adopts a budget that increases property tax revenue, the Council must take a separate vote to ratify the increase. The increase in property tax revenue in the FY 2025-26 budget will depend on the rate adopted. If the De Minimis Rate with no new debt is adopted the property tax increase will be \$1,065,650 which is a 9.7% increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year would be \$316,416.

If the City Council adopts the De Minimis Rate with a \$10 Million debt issuance the property tax increase would be \$1,422,019 which is a 12.9% increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year would be \$325,736

Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:

N/A.

Staff Recommendation:

Suggested Motion: "I move to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the FY 2026 Budget.

Attachments:

None



Presenter: Stephen Barnes, Finance Director

Agenda Item: Consider any action on Ordinance No. 2025-13 levying taxes for the uses and support of the municipal government of the City of Azle, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, and providing for interest and sinking funds for the tax year 2025, and approving each levy for the specific purpose, and providing an effective date.

Background and Explanation:

To support the municipal government of the City of Azle, both the De Minimis Rate with no new debt and the De Minimis Rate with \$10 Million in new debt is being considered. The De Minimis Rate with no new debt is \$0.6246927 and the De Minimis Rate with \$10 Million in new debt is \$0.6430927. If the rate of \$0.6246927 is adopted the maintenance and operations rate will be \$0.5429927 and the debt rate would be \$0.817. If the rate of \$0.6430927 is adopted, the maintenance and operations rate will be \$0.5429927 and the debt rate would be \$0.1001. State law requires that a tax rate that exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate must be approved by at least sixty percent (60%) of the members of the governing body.

Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:

Staff Recommendation:

REQUIRED MOTION:

"I move that we adopt Ordinance 2025-13 and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.6246927, which is effectively a 3.49 percent increase in the tax rate."

OR

"I move that we adopt Ordinance 2025-13 and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.6430927, which is effectively a 6.54 percent increase in the tax rate."

Attachments:

1. FY 2026 Property Tax Rate Adoption Ordinance No New Debt
2. FY 2026 Property Tax Rate Adoption Ordinance \$10 Million New Debt

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, LEVYING TAXES FOR THE USES AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, AND PROVIDING FOR THE INTEREST AND SINKING FUNDS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2025 AND APPROPRIATING EACH LEVY FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR A DATE FOR PAYMENT OF SAID TAXES; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase for the City of Azle, Texas for tax year 2025 has heretofore been published in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed tax increase and proposed tax rate was held on August 18, 2025 in accordance with the law, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, at this time, that said ordinance be passed levying tax on all property, both real and personal, within the City of Azle, Texas, in accordance with such budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1

There is hereby levied, and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Azle, Texas, for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year, upon all property, whether real, personal, or mixed, within the corporate limits of the City of Azle, Texas, subject to taxation for the tax year 2025, a tax at the rate of \$0.6246927 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property to be assessed and collected for the purposes hereinafter stipulated, to wit:

General Fund	<u>\$0.5429927</u>
Interest and Sinking Fund	<u>\$0.0817000</u>

SECTION 2

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 5.28 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$10.56.

SECTION 3

All taxes collected by the City of Azle, Texas, shall be payable on October 1, 2025, and if such taxes are not paid in full on or before January 31st, of the succeeding year, the amounts shall be declared delinquent and penalties and interest charges shall be collected as provided by law.

SECTION 4

This ordinance shall take effect and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE,
TEXAS, ON THIS THE 25TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.**

Randa Goode, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yael Hoffman, City Secretary

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WHEREAS, the Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase for the City of Azle, Texas for tax year 2025 has heretofore been published in accordance with the law; and

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General Fund	<u>\$0.5429927</u>
Interest and Sinking Fund	<u>\$0.1001000</u>

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THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 5.28 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$10.56.

SECTION 3

All taxes collected by the City of Azle, Texas, shall be payable on October 1, 2025, and if such taxes are not paid in full on or before January 31st, of the succeeding year, the amounts shall be declared delinquent and penalties and interest charges shall be collected as provided by law.

SECTION 4

This ordinance shall take effect and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE,
TEXAS, ON THIS THE 25TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.**

Randa Goode, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yael Hoffman, City Secretary