



BILL NO. B-21

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A
PROPERTY TAX ON TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF
FRESNO FOR PARTIAL FUNDING OF THE FRESNO FIRE
AND POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE FRESNO
CITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023

WHEREAS, Section 96.31 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, a statute enacted prior to August 1, 1985, authorized a local agency to impose a property tax rate to make payments in support of pension programs approved by the voters before July 1, 1978, provided the local agency imposed the property tax rate in the 1982-83 or 1983-84 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Fire and Police Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System are pension programs approved by the voters before July 1, 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Council duly adopted Ordinance 83-116 on August 16, 1983, authorizing the levy and collection of a property tax fixed, designated and levied as retirement funds at the rate of .032438 per \$100.00 of gross assessed valuation for the 1983-84 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Superior Court of the State of California validated said tax in Action No. 300260—7 (*City of Fresno v. Superior Court* (1984) 156 Cal.App.3d 1137); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7-201 of the Fresno Municipal Code the County

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Date Adopted: 06/22/2023
Date Approved: 06/23/2023
Effective Date: 07/24/2023

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of Fresno is authorized to assess, equalize, levy, and collect ad valorem taxes on taxable property within the City of Fresno.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The County of Fresno is hereby instructed to levy upon the taxable property of the City of Fresno for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, a property tax which is fixed, designated, and levied as follows:

FIRE AND POLICE RETIREMENT FUNDS AND EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUNDS

SECTION 2. The tax shall be levied at a rate of .032438 per \$100.00 of gross assessed valuation.

SECTION 3. The tax shall be levied and collected pursuant to Section 7-201 of the Fresno Municipal Code.

SECTION 4. The City Controller is authorized and directed to apply the tax proceeds produced by this ordinance only toward indebtedness incurred by the City in maintaining the level of retirement benefits that existed under the Fire and Police Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System at the time of adoption of the Charter by the electorate of this City in 1957, for all current and future employees, consistent with the decision, holding, findings and final determination of the courts in this action referenced above.

SECTION 5. This ordinance constitutes an ordinance providing for a tax levy on property and may be adopted on the day of its introduction and shall be effective upon adoption pursuant to Sections 600(b) and 610(b) of the Charter of the City of Fresno.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall become effective and in full force and effect at 12:01 a.m. on the thirty-first day after its final passage.



June 22, 2023


Council Adoption: 06/22/2023

Mayor Approval:

Mayor Veto:

Override Request:

TO: MAYOR JERRY DYER

FROM:  TODD STERMER, CMC
City Clerk

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF COUNCIL ACTION FOR APPROVAL OR VETO


At the City Council meeting of June 22, 2023, Council adopted the attached Bill No. B-21, Ordinance No. 2023-021, entitled *****BILL - (For introduction and adoption) - Adoption of Property Tax Override Ordinance (Subject to Mayor's veto)** Item 2-F, File ID 23-991, by the following vote:

Ayes : Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Chavez, Bredefeld, Esparza
Noes : None
Absent : None
Abstain : None

Please indicate either your formal approval or veto by completing the following sections and executing and dating your action. Please file the completed memo with the Clerk's office on or before July 3, 2023. In computing the ten day period required by Charter, the first day has been excluded and the tenth day has been included unless the 10th day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, in which case it has also been excluded. Failure to file this memo with the Clerk's office within the required time limit shall constitute approval of the ordinance, resolution or action, and it shall take effect without the Mayor's signed approval.

APPROVED / NO RETURN: _____

VETOED for the following reasons: (Written objections are required by Charter; attach additional sheets if necessary.)



Jerry Dyer, Mayor

COUNCIL OVERRIDE ACTION:

Ayes :
Noes :
Absent :
Abstain :

Date: 6/23/23

Date: _____

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