

CITY OF LA GRANGE



2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

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ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016

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City of La Grange
2015-2016 Budget
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INTRODUCTION

September 10, 2015

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of La Grange
La Grange, Texas 78945

Mayor and Council members:

It is again with great pleasure that I submit for your consideration the Annual Operating Budget (2015-2016) for the City of La Grange. This is being done in accordance with Article IX, Section 9.02 of the City of La Grange Charter. This budget reflects the ongoing mission of the La Grange City Council to maintain cost effective programs and services at current levels, while continually focusing on preserving and enhancing the quality of life that is enjoyed by all La Grange Citizens.

The assessed property valuation for 2015⁴ is \$276,833,217, an increase of 4.57% from the 2014 assessed valuation of \$264,717,123. The assessed property evaluation increase included over 1.6 million dollars in new taxable property being added to the tax roll.

The property tax rate for 2015-2016 is proposed to be set at .2157. The rate is apportioned in the following manner (rate expressed per \$100 of assessed property valuation):

	<u>2015-2016</u>
Operations & Maintenance Rate	\$.1519
Debt Service Rate	<u>.0638</u>
TOTAL	\$.2157

A recap of the 2015 - 2016 Budget follows:

	<u>2014-2015</u>
General Fund	\$3,115,671
Utility Fund	9,120,500
Debt Service Fund	<u>179,528</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$12,415,699

I will close by saying that the staff remains focused on providing quality and efficient public services to the citizens of La Grange. The development of this annual budget required many hours of research and preparation. My sincere appreciation is extended to the Mayor and City Council for your guidance and the staff for their input and efforts.

Thank you for your support, direction, leadership and confidence. I look forward to working with you this coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shawn Raborn
City Manager

No. 15-

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO A SINKING FUND TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL DUE ON THE CITY'S INDEBTEDNESS; AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR WHICH INCLUDES THE GENERAL FUND, THE UTILITY ENTERPRISE FUND AND THE LA GRANGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP. BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the annual budget for the City of La Grange, Texas (appended hereto as Exhibit "A") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015, and ending September 30, 2016, was duly presented to the City Council by the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on said annual budget was ordered by the City Council and will be held on September 14, 2015 and a notice of said public hearing was caused to be given by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, said notice was published in the Fayette County Record and said public hearing was held according to said notice; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That the appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016, for the support of the general government of the City of La Grange, Texas, be fixed and determined for said term in accordance with the expenditures shown in the annual budget of the City of La Grange, Texas for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, which includes the General Fund,

Utility Enterprise Fund and the La Grange Economic Development Corp. budget, a copy of which is appended hereto as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2: That the budget, as shown in words and figures in Exhibit "A", is hereby approved in all respects and adopted as the budget of the City of La Grange, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016.

SECTION 3: That there is hereby appropriated the amount shown in said budget as necessary to provide for a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest and retirement of the bonded debt of said City.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the First Reading hereof on this the 14th day of September, 2015, with ___ Council Members voting in favor hereof and ___ Council Members voting in opposition hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the Second Reading hereof on this the 28th of September, 2015, with ___ Council Members voting in favor hereof and ___ Council Members voting in opposition hereof.

City of La Grange, Texas

By: _____
Janet Moerbe, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Oltmann, City Secretary

Approved:

Maria Angela Flores Beck,
City Attorney

No. 15-
**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES
FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL
GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE,
TEXAS FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR;
PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY
FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; PROVIDING WHEN
TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME
SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID;
PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION
OF OCCUPATION TAXES.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA GRANGE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of La Grange, Texas, and to provide an Interest and Sinking Fund for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$.2157 on each \$100.00 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth:

1. For the maintenance and support of the general government (General Fund), \$.1509 on each \$100.00 taxable valuation of property; and
2. For the Interest & Sinking Fund, \$.0648 on each \$100.00 taxable valuation of property.
3. The total tax rate of \$.2157 on each \$100,000 taxable valuation of property is 4.35 percent above the effective tax rate of \$.2067 per \$100.00 taxable valuation of property.

SECTION 2: THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE LESS TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. The tax rate will decrease for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$1.00 (\$150.90 less \$151.90) last year's tax maintenance and operations rate was \$.1519. The total tax rate for last year was .2157.

SECTION 3: That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2015, and if not paid on or before January 31, 2016, shall immediately become delinquent.

SECTION 4: That all taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the Fayette County Tax Appraisal District is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and Ordinances of the City of La Grange, Texas. The Fayette County Tax Appraisal District, by virtue of the tax rolls certified, is hereby authorized and empowered to fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real, personal or mixed, for payment of said taxes, penalty and interest, and, the interest and penalty collected from such delinquent taxes shall be apportioned to the General Fund of the City of La Grange, Texas. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate prescribed by state law.

SECTION 4: That, to the extent permitted by law, there is hereby levied, and it shall be the duty of the Tax Collector of the City of La Grange, Texas, to assess and collect from every person pursuing any occupation now or hereafter taxed by the general laws of the State an annual occupation tax, an amount not to exceed one-half of said annual occupation tax levied by the State of Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the First Reading hereof on this the 14th day of September, 2015, with ___ Council Members voting in favor hereof and 0 Council Members voting in opposition hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the Second Reading hereof on this the 28th day of September, 2015, with ___ Council Members voting in favor hereof and ___ Council Members voting in opposition hereof.

City of La Grange, Texas

By: _____
Janet Moerbe, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Oltmann, City Secretary

Approved:

Maria Angela Flores Beck,
City Attorney

FUND SUMMARIES

BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR
2015-2016

	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	ELECTRIC FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	SANITATION FUND	INVESTMENT INCOME	TOTAL
REVENUES	\$ 3,115,671	\$ 179,528	\$ 6,152,500	\$ 1,161,500	\$ 574,500	\$ 998,000	\$ 234,000	\$ 12,415,699
DIRECT EXPENDITURES								
OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE								
MAYOR & COUNCIL	\$ 29,857							\$ 29,857
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 353,121							\$ 353,121
STREET & BRIDGE	\$ 262,214							\$ 262,214
FIRE DEPT.	\$ 74,200							\$ 74,200
POLICE DEPT.	\$ 1,132,903							\$ 1,132,903
PARKS	\$ 212,856							\$ 212,856
CEMETERY	\$ 121,418							\$ 121,418
RECREATION	\$ 247,381							\$ 247,381
LIBRARY-MUSEUM/ARCH.	\$ 302,199							\$ 302,199
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 60,076							\$ 60,076
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$ 109,329							\$ 109,329
VISITORS BUREAU - MAIN STREET	\$ 210,119							\$ 210,119
DEBT SERVICE		\$ 179,528						\$ 179,528
ELECTRIC			\$ 5,334,071					\$ 5,334,071
WATER				\$ 859,719				\$ 859,719
SEWER					\$ 411,679			\$ 411,679
SANITATION						\$ 974,379		\$ 974,379
SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENTAL	\$ 3,115,671	\$ 179,528	\$ 5,334,071	\$ 859,719	\$ 411,679	\$ 974,379	\$ -	\$ 10,875,047
FRANCHISE FEE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 395,000	\$ 61,500	\$ 33,500	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 540,000
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSE	\$ 3,115,671	\$ 179,528	\$ 5,729,071	\$ 921,219	\$ 445,179	\$ 1,024,379	\$ -	\$ 11,415,047
INDIRECT EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,326	\$ 325,212	\$ 125,081	\$ 50,033	\$ -	\$ 1,000,652
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,115,671	\$ 179,528	\$ 6,229,397	\$ 1,246,431	\$ 570,261	\$ 1,074,412	\$ -	\$ 12,415,699
NET REVENUES (LOSSES)	\$ 0.00	\$ -	\$ (76,897)	\$ (84,931)	\$ 4,239	\$ (76,412)	\$ 234,000	\$ 0.00

**BUDGET SUMMARY - GENERAL FUND
2015-2016**

ESTIMATED BEGINNING BALANCES OCTOBER 1, 2015:	\$ 1,852,685.00	
		\$1,852,685

REVENUE:

PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 433,100	
TOTAL NON-PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 1,377,221	
TOTAL LICENSES AND PERMITS	\$ 35,050	
FINES, FORFEITURES & PENALTIES	\$ 76,000	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 1,171,000	
INTEREST INCOME	\$ 23,300	
GRANTS	\$ -	
		\$3,115,671

EXPENDITURES

MAYOR & COUNCIL	\$ 29,857	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 353,121	
STREET & BRIDGE	\$ 262,214	
FIRE DEPT.	\$ 74,200	
POLICE DEPT.	\$ 1,132,903	
PARKS	\$ 212,856	
CEMETERY	\$ 121,418	
RECREATION	\$ 247,381	
LIBRARY-MUSEUM/ARCH.	\$ 302,199	
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 60,076	
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV.	\$ 109,329	
VISITORS BUREAU - MAIN STREET	\$ 210,119	
		\$3,115,671

ESTIMATED ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2016:		\$1,852,685
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**BUDGET SUMMARY - UTILITY FUND
2015-2016**

ESTIMATED BEGINNING BALANCES OCTOBER 1, 2015:

TREASURY NOTES	\$	-	
UNAPPROPRIATED CASH ON HAND	\$	2,583,371	
			\$2,583,371

REVENUE:

ELECTRIC SALES	\$	6,152,500	
WATER SALES	\$	1,161,500	
SEWER SALES	\$	574,500	
GARBAGE SALES	\$	998,000	
INTEREST EARNED/OTHER INCOME	\$	234,000	
			\$9,120,500

EXPENDITURES

ELECTRIC	\$	5,334,071	
WATER	\$	859,719	
SEWER	\$	411,679	
GARBAGE	\$	974,379	
WAREHOUSE/PURCHASING	\$	202,424	
UTILITY ADMINISTRATION	\$	798,228	
INTERFUND TRANSFER	\$	540,000	
			\$9,120,500

ESTIMATED ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2016:		\$2,583,371
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**BUDGET CAPITAL PROJECTS/PROGRAMS
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016**

ENTERPRISE / CAPITAL FUND

DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	APPROVED AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT TOTAL
ELECTRIC	CONSTRUCTION FIXTURES, POLE LINE HARDWARE VEHICLE NOTE 2009 VEHICLE NOTE 2013 VEHICLE NOTE BUCKET TRUCK 2013	\$ 150,000 \$ 30,000 \$ 26,811 \$ 5,266 \$ 28,937	\$ 241,014
WATER	DEBT SERVICE METERS CONSTRUCTION VEHICLE -- SERVICE TRUCK WATER WELL UPGRADE VEHICLE - VACTRON 2012 VEHICLE -- SERVICE TRUCK 2014 BACKHOE - NOTE 2015	\$ 260,000 \$ 5,000 \$ 75,000 \$ 3,977 \$ 75,000 \$ 13,041 \$ 8,914 \$ 10,000	\$ 450,932

DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	APPROVED AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT TOTAL
SEWER	CONSTRUCTION	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000
SANITATION	VEHICLE NOTE -- 2012	\$ 10,710	
	STREET SWEEPER NOTE - 2011	\$ 22,467	
			\$ 33,177
	ENTERPRISE CAPITAL PROJECTS		<u>\$ 795,123</u>