



Special City Council Meeting
Council Chambers/City Hall
871 FM 970, Florence, Texas

AGENDA

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence will be held on Monday, August 25, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 871 FM 970, Florence, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda item.

Opening Agenda

Call to Order
Invocation & Pledge
Citizen's Participation

Public Hearing

The meeting will hear public comments and concerns on levying a tax rate for the tax year 2025-2026.

Deliberation Agenda

1. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Resolution 2025-18, levying the FY 2025-2026 tax rate.
2. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on the date for the September regular council meeting.
3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on the date for the October regular council meeting.
4. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on the date for the November regular council meeting.
5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Ordinance 2025-18, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, ZONING FOR TRAFFIC AND RATE OF SPEED THEREIN, ON BS 195 IN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE; DEFINING SPEEDING AND FIXING A PENALTY THEREFORE; DECLARING WHAT MAY BE A SUFFICIENT COMPLAINT IN PROSECUTIONS HEREUNDER; WITH A SAVING CLAUSE REPEALING CONFLICTING LAWS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1st reading)
6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on switching website designers.
7. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on changing our domain from .com to .gov.

8. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on approval to repair police department vehicle Unit 804, in the amount of \$7,632.15, to Christian Brothers Automotive.
9. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on using AdComp to replace Quickbooks for accounting, human resources, and payroll functions.
10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on copier lease for City Hall and Police Department.
11. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on approval of Resolution 2025-15, authorizing participation in the Texas CLASS Investment Pools, designating authorized representatives, and providing authorization of the City to enter into a participation agreement for investment of City funds in Texas CLASS.

I, the undersigned authority do hereby certify that the Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board outside the front door of the City Hall of the City of Florence, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: August 22, 2025 by 6:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.


Angelica Lombardi, City Secretary, City of Florence

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than set forth above. At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Council reserves the right to meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during open meeting.

CITY OF FLORENCE

Agenda Summary Form

Agenda Item #: 1	Title: Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Resolution 2025-19, levying the 2025 tax rate.
Summary:	
Option (s):	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I move to make the motion to approve the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.582550, which is effectively a 3.04% increase in the tax rate.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If you are opposed to not second the motion. If a motion is not made, the item is dead.
Harrell: _____ Swope: _____ Bivens: _____	
Hyde: _____ Mayor Pro Tem Condon: _____ Mayor Daniel: _____	

"Negative" motions are generally not permitted. To dispose of a business item the motion should be phrased as a positive action to take and then if the group desires not to take this action, the motion should be voted down. The exception to the rule is when a governing body is asked to take action on a request and wished to create a record as to why the denial is justified.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-19
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE TAX YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the appraisal roll of the City of Florence (the "City") for 2025 has been prepared and certified by the appraiser for the City and submitted to the City's tax assessor/collector, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Appraiser has submitted the certified appraisal roll for the City, dated July 15, 2025 showing \$88,494,474 to be the total appraised, assessed, and taxable value of all property and the total taxable value of new property, to the City Council of the City; and

WHEREAS, based upon the certified appraisal roll, the employee or officer designated by the Florence City Council of Florence, Texas, has calculated a tax rate to be levied for 2025 sufficient to provide tax revenue to meet the City's obligations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, THAT:

"THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST'S YEAR TAX RATE" AND "THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 4.77 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$19.34".

Section 1. There is levied an ad valorem tax of \$0.425136 on each \$100.00 of taxable property within the City in order to provide funds for maintenance and operating purposes.

Section 2. There is levied an ad valorem tax of \$0.157414 on each \$100.00 of taxable property within the City in order to provide funds for the purpose of debt service.

Section 3. All taxes collected pursuant to this levy, after paying costs of levying, assessing and collecting the taxes, will be used for paying costs of providing services to its citizens.

Section 4. The Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector is authorized to assess and collect the taxes of the City employing the above tax rate.

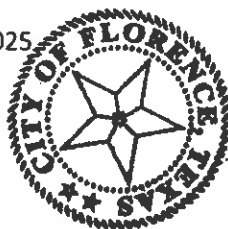
Section 5. The taxes levied by this Resolution are due presently, and will be delinquent if not paid by January 31, 2026.

Section 6. This Resolution Levying Taxes is effective from and after its adoption.

POSITION	NAME	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Mayor	Ben Daniel	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mayor Pro-Tem	Mary Condon	X		
Alderwoman	Mary Jane Swope	X		
Alderman	Mike Harrell			X
Alderman	Forrest Hyde	X		
Alderwoman	Debra Bivens	X		

PASSED AND APPROVED the 25th day of August, 2025

Ben Daniel, Mayor



ATTEST: _____

Angelica Lombardi, City Secretary

ORDINANCE 2025-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, ZONING FOR TRAFFIC AND RATE OF SPEED THEREIN, ON BS 195 IN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE; DEFINING SPEEDING AND FIXING A PENALTY THEREFORE; DECLARING WHAT MAY BE A SUFFICIENT COMPLAINT IN PROSECUTIONS HEREUNDER; WITH A SAVING CLAUSE REPEALING CONFLICTING LAWS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF FLORENCE:

SECTION 1

It is hereby determined upon the basis of an Engineering and Traffic investigation that the prima facie maximum speed limit on those portions of BS 195 routed in the city of Florence, is hereby stated, which prima facie maximum speed limit shall be effective at all times and signs will be erected giving notice of the prima facie maximum speed limit so declared to wit.

Speed Zone

BS 195 (Control Section 0440-01)

FOR NORTHBOUND & SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC

From 26 ft north of Tomlinson Street at milepoint 20.473 up to 63 ft north of Atkinson Street at milepoint 20.591, a distance of 0.118 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 40 miles per hour.

From 63 ft north of Atkinson Street at milepoint 20.591 up to 288 ft south of Main Street (at Chapman Street) at milepoint 20.994, a distance of 0.403 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour.

From 288 ft south of Main Street (at Chapman Street) at milepoint 20.994 up to 561 ft south of CR-970 at milepoint 21.504, a distance of 0.510 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 45 miles per hour.

From 561 ft south of CR-970 at milepoint 21.504 up to 1491 ft south of CR-970 at milepoint 21.679, a distance of 0.175 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour.

School Speed Zone

From 26 ft north of Tomlinson Street at milepoint 20.473 up to 145 ft south of Tomlinson Street at milepoint 20.507, a distance of 0.034 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour when flashing.

From 280 ft south of Atkinson Street at milepoint 20.655 up to 243 ft north of Elmo Street (at Martha Street) at milepoint 20.807, a distance of 0.152 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour when flashing.

From 692 ft south of CR-970 at milepoint 21.527 up to 1491 ft south of CR-970 at milepoint 21.679, a distance of 0.152 miles, there is a prima facie maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour when flashing.

SECTION II

That all of the streets of this city, and all portions of any such streets, are hereby declared to be public streets and that the driving or operating of any motor vehicle on or along any portion of any street of this city at a rate of speed that is greater than the maximum rate of speed for said portion of said street, as fixed by this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, which is named " The Offense of Speeding " and that the said offense is punishable by a fine in any sum not to exceed Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00). That the use of the word " Speeding " shall be sufficient to designate the said offense, and shall mean that a motor vehicle has been driven upon a public street at a greater rate of speed than fixed by City Ordinance for the street and for the zone thereof, that such motor vehicle was so being driven upon, if zoned.

That in prosecutions under this ordinance, for the offense of speeding, the complaint, if in other respects sufficient in form, shall as to the portion thereof seeking to acknowledge the offense, be sufficient if it in substance alleges that the defendant did while driving a motor vehicle in said city commit the offense of " Speeding " .

SECTION III

That should any section or any portion of any section hereof be decreed to be void, the invalidity of such section or such portion thereof shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance; and that each section and each portion thereof not decreed to be invalid shall remain valid and enforceable.

That all ordinances and parts of ordinances that are in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

That the fact that prompt action should be taken in the regulation of traffic, on the streets of this city, in the manner provided for in this ordinance creates an emergency requiring that the rules that provide that an ordinance shall be read at three separate meetings of the city council before final passage, be suspended; and that the said rules are hereby suspended, and this ordinance is here and now passed, and that it is ordered that it take effect from and after its passage and publication.

FIRST READING

Passed and approved this the _____ day of _____,

Mayor, City of Florence

Attest:

City Secretary

SECOND READING

Passed and approved this the _____ day of _____,

Mayor, City of Florence

Attest:

City Secretary



MAP OF

DEVELOPMENT		
RES. SIGHT DISTANCE		
BALL BANK or ADVISORY SPEED		
CURVES OVER 2°		
GRADES OVER 3%		
SURFACE WIDTH AND TYPE		
R.O.W. AND ROBD. WIDTH		
ACCIDENTS		
ZONE LENGTHS	MILE	
ZONE SPEEDS	MPH	

TOWARD		
BELL COL		
C.I. BEARINGS		
SH 195		
CONTROL/SECTION		
8836-01		

TOWARD		
IH 35		
CITY ORDINANCE		

ZONE SPEEDS	MPH	
ZONE LENGTHS	MILE	
ACCIDENTS		
R.O.W. AND ROBD WIDTH		
SURFACE WIDTH AND TYPE		
GRADES OVER 3%		
CURVES OVER 2°		
BALL BANK or ADVISORY SPEED		
RES. SIGHT DISTANCE		
DEVELOPMENT		

DIST. AUSTIN	COUNTY	WILLIAMSON
HIGHWAY SH 195	CITY	FLORENCE
DATE OF SURVEY	11/20/24	SCALE 1" = 800'

LIMITS OF ZONE				
SECTION ONE	LENGTH 0.271 MILES	SECTION TWO	LENGTH 0.288 MILES	
BEGINS	STA OR M.P. 20.134	COMT. & SECT. 0440-01	STA OR M.P. 20.239	COMT. & SECT. 0440-01
ENDS	STA OR M.P. 20.405	COMT. & SECT. 0440-01	STA OR M.P. 20.507	COMT. & SECT. 0440-01

42 85 PERCENTILE SPEED
TOP SPEED MEASURED
NUMBER OF CARS CHECKED

62 125

FATAL ACCIDENT
PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT
PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT
INDICATES SECTION ZONED
BY COMMISSION MINUTE

SPEED ZONE

[illegible]

0.959 MILES	75	75 MPH
65 MPH		

22.729-

60
70
660

22.311

CO. NO. 244

65	80	95
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65 MPH	75 MPH
0.959 MILES	

22.729



My account

Login / home	Subscriptions
Orders	Downloads
Licences	UpdraftClone
UpdraftVault	UpdraftCentral
Support tickets	Account details
Payment methods	Log out

ID	Status	Products	Recurring	
#2651364	Active	UpdraftMigrator Premium	\$49.00 / year	View due 12/2025
#2651340	Active	UpdraftPlus Premium	\$195.00 / year	View due 12/2025
#2200144	Active	UpdraftVault	\$35.00 / year	View due 8/2026



IONOS Website costs FY 2025

invoice date	invoice type	amount	
10/13/2024	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
10/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 39.71	
11/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
11/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 39.71	
12/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
12/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 39.71	
1/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
1/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 39.71	
2/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
2/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 39.71	
3/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
3/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 46.62	
4/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
4/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 46.62	
5/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
5/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 87.62	
6/12/2025	web hosting business	\$ 150.00	12 month annual fee
6/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
6/13/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 42.12	
7/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
7/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 42.22	
8/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	estimated invoices for reminder of FY 2025
8/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 42.22	
9/13/2025	mywebsite plus	\$ 22.00	
9/14/2025	webhosting expert	\$ 42.11	

total FY 2025 website costs \$ 962.08

Current website fees IONOS and TeamUpdraft	
ionos invoices website portion	\$ 962.08
Annual domain name fee	\$ 20.00
fees to updraft for wordpress	\$ 279.00
total current fees	\$ 1,261.08

Proposed fees if we sign
up by Sept 12, 2025 with
Munibit

for FY 2025-2026	\$ 1,161.00
after Sept 2026	\$ 1,548.00



Resolution to Participate

WHEREAS, the Public Funds Investment Act, Texas Government Code, Section 2256.001 et seq. (the Act) requires the governing body of each local government in this state to adopt investment policies in accordance with the terms of the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the Board of Trustees (the Governing Body) of the City of Florence (the Local Government) has previously reviewed and adopted an investment policy (the Policy) that provides in part that the funds of the local government will be invested in investments permitted by the Act in order to: (i) invest only in investments legally permitted under Texas law; (ii) minimize risk by managing portfolio investments so as to preserve principal and maintain a stable net asset value; (iii) manage portfolio investments to ensure that cash will be available as required to finance operations; and (iv) maximize current income to the degree consistent with legality, safety, and liquidity; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy and the Act, the Local Government has appointed City Administrator & City Treasurer (the Investment Officer) to act as the investment officer of the Local Government; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that funds under the control of a Local Government may be invested through investment pools meeting the standards of Section 2256.016 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government has received and reviewed the Information Statement, dated April 2021 (the Information Statement), of Texas Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Trust (the Program), an investment pool administered by Public Trust Advisors, LLC that sets forth the information required by Section 2256.016(b) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government has determined that the investments proposed to be acquired by the Program are of a type that are permitted by the Act and are consistent with the Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government has determined that an investment in the Program will assist the Local Government in achieving the goals set forth in the Policy and will tend to preclude imprudent investment activities arising out of investment transactions conducted between the Local Government and the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government understands that the Program operates through the Ninth Amended and Restated Trust Agreement dated as of February 25, 2021 (the Trust Agreement), that provides the terms on which the Program will operate and the rights of the Participants in the Program and sets forth the responsibilities of Public Trust Advisors, LLC as the administrator of the Program (the Administrator) and of UMB Bank as custodian (the Custodian);



Texas Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Trust

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

That the form, terms, and provisions of the Trust Agreement, a draft of which was presented and reviewed at this meeting, providing for the creation of the Program and for the rights of the Program Participants and the duties and responsibilities of the Administrator be and the same are hereby approved and adopted; and that the Investment Officer be and he or she is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Administrator and the Custodian in the name and on behalf of the Local Government a participation certificate evidencing the agreement of the Local Government to be bound by the Trust Agreement substantially in the form of the Trust Agreement reviewed and approved at this meeting, together with such changes therein as may be approved by the said officer, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution thereof; and be it further

Resolved that the investment program established by the Trust Agreement is hereby found and determined to be consistent with the Policy and to preclude imprudent investment activities arising out of investment transactions conducted between the Local Government and the Program; and be it further

Resolved that the Governing Body hereby officially finds and determines that the facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Resolution are true and correct; and be it further

Resolved that the Governing Body hereby finds and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted was posted for the time required by law preceding this meeting and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter thereof were discussed, considered, and formally acted upon all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, and the Act; and be it further

Resolved that the officers of the Local Government, and each of them, shall be and each is expressly authorized, empowered, and directed from time-to-time to do and perform all acts and things and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the corporate seal and on behalf of the Local Government all certificates, instruments, and other papers, whether or not herein mentioned, as they may determine to be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Resolution and of the Trust Agreement hereby authorized and approved, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the performance of such acts and things and the execution of any such certificate, financing statement, instrument, or other paper; and be it further

Resolved that this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon and after its passage.

Authorized Signature

Date

Printed Name

Authorized Signature

Date

Printed Name