

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Chapter 44, "Taxation," of the Dallas City Code by amending Section 44-35; providing the authorized uses of revenue from the hotel occupancy tax; providing a saving clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That Subsection (c) of Section 44-35, "Levy; Amount; Disposition of Revenue," of Article V, "Hotel Occupancy Tax," of Chapter 44, "Taxation," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Disposition of revenues collected from the seven percent tax must be as follows:

(1) 4.718 percent must be paid prior to any other dispositions of revenue to:

(A) the acquisition of sites for and the constructing, improving, enlarging, equipping, repairing, operating, and maintaining of the convention center complex or visitor centers, or both; or

(B) pledging payment of bonds as authorized by Chapter 1504 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

(2) 1.232 [~~2.037~~] percent [~~in 2020; 1.932 percent in 2021; 1.757 percent in 2022; 1.582 percent in 2023; and 1.407 percent in 2024~~] to advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the city;

(3) 1.050 [~~0.245~~] percent [~~in 2020; 0.35 percent in 2021; 0.525 percent in 2022; 0.7 percent in 2023; and 0.875 percent in 2024~~] to:

(A) the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts, including instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture, photography, graphic and craft arts, motion pictures, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms; and

(B) historical restoration and preservation projects to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums:

(1) at or in the immediate vicinity of convention center facilities or visitor information centers; or

(2) located elsewhere in the municipality or its vicinity that would be frequented by tourists and convention delegates.”

SECTION 2. That Chapter 44 of the Dallas City Code shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable and are governed by Section 1-4 of Chapter 1 of the Dallas City Code, as amended.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TAMMY L. PALOMINO, City Attorney

By _____
Assistant City Attorney

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