ORDINANCE 10-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027 UPON REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL AND MIXED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY, AND ESTABLISHING THE TIME AND PAYMENT AND PENALTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF SAME.

WHEREAS, the Fort Wright City Council has reviewed the financial condition of the City and the tax rate to be charged.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS.

SECTION 1

Pursuant to Section 37.02 of the Fort Wright Code of Ordinances, the City Council establishes the amount of AD VALOREM TAXES as follows:

That an ad valorem tax of ~~**.199**~~ **.185** on each One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars value of real estate, and an ad valorem tax of **.385** on each One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars value of personal and mixed property, is subject to taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. These funds will be used for ordinary municipal purposes to carry on the government of said City, including police protection, fire protection, repairs to streets, and furnishing street lighting.

SECTION 2

Pursuant to Section 37.02(B) and (C), the tax levied by the City Council of the City of Fort Wright, Kentucky for the year 2026 shall be due and payable to the City of Fort Wright in care of the City Treasurer from and after passage of this Ordinance. Anyone failing to pay the tax by December 31, 2026, shall be deemed delinquent, and said bill shall have added thereto a penalty of twenty (20%) percent of the amount thereof, and shall bear interest at the rate of twelve (12%) percent per annum from January 2, 2027, until paid. The delinquent taxpayer shall also pay all costs and expenses incidental to any action taken by the city for collection of the delinquent tax bill, including court costs and attorney's fees. The city has a lien upon the property assessed under the terms of this chapter for the taxes levied upon the property under the terms of this chapter and for all penalties, interest, fees, commissions, charges, and other expenses, including court costs and attorney's fees, incurred by reason of delinquency in payment of the tax bill or in the process of collecting it. Such a lien has priority over all other obligations or liabilities for which the property is liable.

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SECTION 3

Any and all Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance shall be, and hereby are, repealed to the extent of said conflict.

SECTION 4

If any part of this ordinance or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the city council intends that such invalidity will not affect the effectiveness of the remaining provisions or applications and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION 5

That this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and shall be published under KRS 83A.060(9) and other applicable law. This ordinance may be published by summary.

Passed by City Council on October 21, 2026.

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY

By: _____
Dave Hatter, Mayor

ATTEST: Kerrie Holland
Kerrie Holland, City Clerk

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SECOND READING: 10/21/2026

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