

RESOLUTION NO. 08-340

**A RESOLUTION ORDERING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR
THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF PORT
ARTHUR AND THE PORT ARTHUR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
2008 - 2009 AND AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING.**

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Port Arthur, Texas, (The "City"), desires to adopt an annual budget for the 2008 - 2009 fiscal year, and,

WHEREAS, Section 102.006 and 102.0065 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that prior to the approval of the appropriation ordinance to adopt the Annual Budget, the City must hold a public hearing on the proposed budget and provide interested people the opportunity to speak for or against the proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget for the City of Port Arthur was filed with the City Secretary for public review and inspection, and was placed at the Port Arthur Public Library and on the City of Port Arthur's website, on July 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget for the Port Arthur Economic Development Corporation was filed with the City Secretary for public review and inspection, and was placed at the Port Arthur Public Library and on the City of Port Arthur's website on July 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Sections 102.006 and 102.0065 requires notice of a public hearing to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties in which the City is located not earlier than the 30th or later than the 10th day before the date of the public hearing.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PORT ARTHUR:**

THAT, a public hearing shall be held at 7:00 P.M. on August 26, 2008 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 444 Fourth Street, Port Arthur, Jefferson County, Texas, at which time any interested person may appear and speak for or against the proposed budget.

THAT, a Summary of the proposed operating budget for the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A"; and,

THAT, the City Secretary will cause a notice of said public hearing to be published in the official newspaper of the City of Port Arthur, on August 15, 2008, which is at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing; and,

THAT, a copy of the proposed budget is available for examination in the City Secretary's office at City Hall, 444 4th Street, and at the Port Arthur Public Library, 4615 9th Avenue, and on the official web-site of the City located at www.portarthur.net; and,

THAT, a copy of the Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council.

READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 12th day of August, 2008 at a Regular Meeting of the City of Port Arthur, Texas by the following vote:


Ayes: Mayor: Prince; Mayor Pro Tem Chatman;

Councilmembers: Seeger, Flood, Wise & Henderson.

Noes: None.


MAYOR – Deloris Prince

ATTEST:


Terri Hanks – Acting City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY – Mark Sokolow

APPROVED FOR ADMINISTRATION:


CITY MANAGER – Steve Fitzgibbons


DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – Rebecca Underhill, CPA

**CITY OF PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS
and THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
PROPOSED BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009**

This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$1,720,442, 13.2%, and of that amount \$712,160 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
General Fund	\$ 49,145,437	\$ 49,084,846
Debt Service Fund	8,358,304	8,136,809
Water and Sewer Fund	16,620,000	16,806,833
Solid Waste Fund	7,544,000	7,620,630
Transit Fund	2,794,913	2,879,108
Equipment Services Fund	3,251,000	3,661,194
Equipment Replacement Fund	1,754,035	1,472,376
Hospitalization Fund	7,635,000	7,634,400
Worker's Compensation Fund	913,000	972,911
Employee Benefits Fund	290,000	624,420
General Liability Fund	1,543,050	1,669,721
Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund	1,102,700	1,005,136
Library Special Fund	5,000	10,000
Police Special Fund	66,000	116,124
Golf Course Fund	89,000	172,159
Municipal Court Technology Fund	47,000	80,000
Economic Development Corporation	4,617,718	4,010,827