

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$.605463 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Hutchinson County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.605463 per \$100
NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.583031 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.605463 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.606951 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Hutchinson County from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Hutchinson County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for Hutchinson County exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for Hutchinson County

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for Hutchinson County, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Hutchinson County

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Hutchinson County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on August 31, 2020 at 9:30 AM at 5th & Main Street Stinnett Texas County Court Room.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Hutchinson County is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the of Hutchinson County at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

The members of the governing body voted on the proposed tax increase as follows:

FOR:

Larry Coffman Commissioner Precinct #1
 Cindy Irwin County Judge
 Chris Prock Commissioner Precinct #4

Dale Herbst Commissioner Precinct #2
 S.T. Isbell Commissioner Precinct #3

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Hutchinson County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Hutchinson County this year:

	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)		\$0.605463	<i>increase of</i> \$0.010463 OR 1.76%
Average homestead taxable value	\$48,915	\$49,837	<i>increase of</i> 1.88%
Tax on average homestead	\$291	\$302	<i>increase of</i> \$11 OR 3.67%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$0	\$0	<i>increase of</i> \$674,271

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

The Hutchinson County spent 75,733 from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 on indigent health care compensation procedures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$21,200. This increased the no-new-revenue tax rate by \$.000944.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Hutchinson County at or .