

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

A tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7**.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.100000 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.084385 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.099471 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.113036 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** exceeds the voter-approval rate for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7**.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7**, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7**.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A **PUBLIC HEARING** ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 23, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. at the Quality Life Ministries, 4647 FM 521, Fresno, TX 77545.

Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7 shall take action on the proposed tax rate on August 23, 2022 at 11:30 a.m., following the hearing to be held.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate but not greater than the de minimis rate and does not exceed the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** adopts the proposed tax rate, the **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** is not required to hold an election so that voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate and the qualified voters of the **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** may not petition the **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES
MENTIONED ABOVE 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 proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: **Freddy Lopez, Sr., Janet McClain, Barb Hamilton and Gregory Linkous**
 AGAINST: **None**
 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING: **Ruston Hughes**
 ABSENT: **None**

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th 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 **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** this year.

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.100000	\$0.100000	increase of 0.000000, or 0.00%
Average homestead taxable value	\$207,540	\$231,501	increase of \$23,961, or 11.55%
Tax on average homestead	\$207.54	\$231.50	increase of \$23.96, or 11.54%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$2,373,321	\$3,025,333	increase of \$652,012, or 27.47%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the District Counsel for **Fort Bend County Emergency Services District No. 7** at (713) 984-8222 or pierce@coveler.com or visit www.fresnofiretx.com for more information.

Notice about 2022 Tax Rates

Property tax rates in Fort Bend Emergency Service District #7.

This notice concerns the 2022 property tax rates for Fort Bend Emergency Service District #7. This notice provides information about two tax rates used in adopting the current tax year's tax rate. The no-new-revenue tax rate would impose the same amount of taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. In most cases, the voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can adopt without holding an election. In each case, these rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of taxes by the current taxable value with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

This year's no-new-revenue tax rate	\$0.084385/\$100
This year's voter-approval tax rate	\$0.099471/\$100

To see the full calculations, please visit www.fortbendcountytexas.gov for a copy of the Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet.

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the taxing unit's accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Fund	Balance
General Fund	1,900,000

Current Year Debt Service

The following amounts are for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from upcoming property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Fire Station Construction	210,796	149,050	0	359,846

Total required for 2022 debt service	\$359,846
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in unencumbered funds	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2022	\$359,846
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.33% of its taxes in 2022	\$-1,184
= Total debt levy	\$358,662

This notice contains a summary of actual no-new-revenue and voter-approval calculations as certified by Irene Arreguin, Chief of Property Taxes on 08/11/2022 .

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