

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.6770 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.6770 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.6391 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.6978 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 the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

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

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the City of Harker Heights City Hall, Kitty Young Council Chambers, 305 Miller’s Crossing, Harker Heights, Texas 76548.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax. As a result, the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS 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 CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

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

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| FOR the proposal: | Michael Blomquist, Mayor Protem; Jakeline Soriano Fountain, Place 3; John Reider, Place 4; Jody Nicholas, Place 5 |
| AGAINST the proposal: | |
| PRESENT and not voting: | Spencer H. Smith, Mayor |
| ABSENT : | Jennifer McCann, Place 1 |

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 the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS this year.

	2019	2020	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.6770	\$0.6770	0.00% increase
Average homestead taxable value	\$201,393	\$211,091	4.81% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$1,363	\$1,429	4.84% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$12,552,936	\$13,633,255	8.60% increase

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for the CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS at 254-939-5841 or info@bellcad.org.