

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

A tax rate of \$0.0975 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7**.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.097500 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.094013 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.097587 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.097520 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** 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 **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A **PUBLIC HEARING** ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m, at the District Administration Building, 656 East Louetta Road, Spring, Texas 77373.

Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7 shall take action on the proposed tax rate on September 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., following the hearing to be held.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** 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 **Board of Commissioners** of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** 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:

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

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: **Melanie Gander, Todd Anderson, Keith Willingham and Gayle Fuller**
 AGAINST: **None**
 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING: **None**
 ABSENT: **David Mills**

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 **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.099700	\$0.097500	decrease of -0.002200, or -2.21%
Average homestead taxable value	\$181,687	\$196,417	increase of \$14,730, or 8.11%
Tax on average homestead	\$181.14	\$191.51	increase of \$10.37, or 5.72%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$14,202,228	\$15,078,653	increase of \$876,425, or 6.17%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the District Counsel for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 7** at (713) 984-8222 or peeler@coveler.com or visit www.springfd.org/hcesd7 for more information.