

Water District

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The South Texas Water Authority Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2020 on September 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the South Texas Water Authority Office located at 2302 East Sage Road, Kingsville, Texas 78363. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

FOR the proposal: Rudy Galvan, Filiberto Trevino, Jose Graveley, Kathleen Lowman, Lupita Perez, and Patsy Rodgers

AGAINST the proposal: Brandon Barrera

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.086911 /\$100 Adopted	\$0.086926 /\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$0.000015 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		0.02%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$93,405	\$96,473
General exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$88,405	\$91,473
Tax on average residence homestead	\$76.83	\$79.51
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)	+ \$2.68	
and percentage of increase (+/-)	+ 3.49%	

NOTICE ON VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5%, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code.

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