

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Harris County will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 1.70 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on October 4, 2016 at 10:00 AM at Harris County Commissioners Court, 1001 Preston, 9th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002.

The second public hearing will be held on October 11, 2016 at 10:00 AM at Harris County Commissioners Court, 1001 Preston, 9th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002.

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

FOR:

County Judge Ed Emmett	Commissioner Gene Locke
Commissioner Jack Morman	Commissioner Steve Radack
Commissioner R. Jack Cagle	

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Harris County last year was \$147,338. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.41923 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$617.69.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Harris County this year is \$160,837. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.40960 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$658.79.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.41656 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$669.98.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Schedule D - Criminal Justice Mandate

The Harris County Auditor certifies that Harris County has spent \$18,933,087 in the previous 12 months beginning March 1, 2015, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Harris County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.