

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.031070 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	<u>\$0.031070</u> per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	<u>\$0.029150</u> per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	<u>\$0.029917</u> per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	<u>\$0.032520</u> per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year. The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1. The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at 111 EMS Drive, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620. 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 North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 adopts the proposed tax rate, North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 is not required to hold an election so that the voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate and the qualified voters of North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 may not petition North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 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:

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

FOR the proposal: Staci Dement, Grant Tait, Darrell Debish, Dan O'Brien

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Cristina Nelson

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.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 Texas 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 North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 this year.

	2023	2024	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.030100	\$0.031070	Increase of \$0.000970 per \$100, or 3.22%
Average homestead taxable value	\$851,398.00	\$758,371.00	Decrease of -10.93%
Tax on average homestead	\$256.27	\$235.63	Decrease of -\$20.64, or -8.06%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$4,040,426.02	\$4,436,338.78	Increase \$395,912.76, or 9.80%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for North Hays County Emergency Services District No. 1 at (512) 393-5545 or jenifer.okane@co.hays.tx.us, or visit <https://tax.co.hays.tx.us/> for more information.