

# Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

A tax rate of \$ 0.10 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17**.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.100000 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.092345 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.093115 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.099044 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 **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** 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 **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** exceeds the voter-approval rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17**.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17**, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17**.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate and the de minimis rate. If **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** adopts the proposed tax rate, **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** is required to hold an election so that the voters may accept or reject the proposed rate. If a majority of the voters reject the proposed tax rate, the tax rate of the **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** will be the voter-approval rate of the **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17**.

A **PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 24, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.**, at Administration Building, 10410 Airline Drive, Houston, Texas 77037.

**Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** may take action on the proposed tax rate on August 24, 2020 at 9:30 a.m., following the hearing to be held.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE HEARING AND ADOPTION MEETING MAY BE CONDUCTED VIA CONFERENCE CALL DUE TO COVID 19 MEETING RESTRICTIONS. PLEASE REVIEW THE MEETING NOTICE POSTED ON THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE 72 HOURS BEFORE THE HEARING TO DETERMINE IF THE HEARING AND ADOPTION MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON OR VIA CONFERENCE CALL.

The election will be on November 3, 2020. You may contact the Harris County Clerk's Office – Election Department for information about voting locations. The hours of voting on election day are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES  
MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:  
Property tax amount = (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

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

FOR: **Bill Blasdell, Everett Griffin, Robin Hayslip and Kenneth Adcock**  
 AGAINST: **None**  
 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING: **None**  
 ABSENT: **Don Gilkey**

The 86<sup>th</sup> 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. 17** last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** this year.

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.100000	\$0.100000	decrease of \$0.000000 OR
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$112,596	\$122,649	increase of 8.93%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$112.60	\$122.65	increase of \$10.05 OR 8.93%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$4,996,740	\$5,508,035	increase of \$511,295 OR 10.23%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the District Counsel for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 17** at (713) 984-8222 or pierce@coveler.com or visit [www.littleyorkfd.com](http://www.littleyorkfd.com) for more information.