

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of 0.1078 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Lone Star College System District.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.1078 per \$100
NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.1024 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.1102 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 Lone Star College System District from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Lone Star College System District 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 Lone Star College System District is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on October 01, 2020 at 2:00 PM at 2700 W.W. Thorne Drive, Student Services Bldg., Room 208, Houston, TX 77073.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Lone Star College System District 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 Trustees of Lone Star College System District at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES 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:

Alton Smith
Linda Good
Mike Sullivan
Ken Lloyd

Ernestine Pierce
Michael Stoma
Myriam Saldivar

AGAINST:

NONE

PRESENT and not voting:

NONE

ABSENT:

David A. Vogt

Art Murillo

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 Lone Star College System District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Lone Star College System District this year:

	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.1078	\$0.1078	<i>decrease of</i> \$0.0000 OR 0.00%
Average homestead taxable value	\$237,391	\$245,997	<i>increase of</i> 3.62%
Tax on average homestead	\$256	\$265	<i>increase of</i> \$9 OR 3.62%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$207,899,527	\$222,442,762	<i>increase of</i> \$14,543,235 OR 7.00%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Lone Star College System District at 936-539-7897 or tammy.mcrae@mctx.org, or visit www.mctotx.org for more information.