

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.650594 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of RUNNELS COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.650594 per \$100
NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.623559 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.650770 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.783351 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 RUNNELS COUNTY 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 RUNNELS COUNTY may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for RUNNELS COUNTY exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for RUNNELS COUNTY

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for RUNNELS COUNTY, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for RUNNELS COUNTY

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that RUNNELS COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on September 08, 2020 at 9:30AM at RUNNELS COUNTY COURTHOUSE JUDGES CHAMBERS BALLINGER TX..

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, RUNNELS COUNTY 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 RUNNELS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT of RUNNELS COUNTY 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 proposed tax increase as follows:

FOR:

BARRY HILLIARD JUDGE
RONALD PRESLEY COMMISSIONER PRCT.#2

ROBERT MOORE COMMISSIONER PRCT.#1
JUAN ORNELAS COMMISSIONER PRCT.#4

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

ROY MINTS COMMISSIONER PRCT.#3

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 RUNNELS COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by RUNNELS COUNTY this year:

	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.633834	\$0.650594	<i>increase of</i> \$0.016760 OR 2.64%
Average homestead taxable value	\$86,324	\$91,281	<i>increase of</i> 5.74%
Tax on average homestead	\$547	\$594	<i>increase of</i> \$47 OR 8.53%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$4,438,627	\$4,653,017	<i>increase of</i> \$214,390 OR 4.83%

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

The RUNNELS COUNTY spent 25,931 from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 on indigent health care compensation procedures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$0. This increased the no-new-revenue tax rate by \$0.001166.

State Criminal Justice Mandate

The RUNNELS COUNTY County Auditor certifies that RUNNELS COUNTY County has spent \$24,645 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. RUNNELS COUNTY County Sheriff has provided RUNNELS COUNTY information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by \$0.003470/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for RUNNELS COUNTY at 325-365-2339 or RCTAC2@CO.RUNNELS.TX.US, or visit RUNNELS COUNTY for more information.