

# Notice of Public Hearings on Tax Increase

Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 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 241 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate 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 public hearings will be held on October 9, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. and on October 16, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at 1620 Isom Rd., Houston, TX 77039.

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

FOR:	Cathy Sunday, Tammy Johnson, Helen Thompson, Virginia Bazan
AGAINST:	None
PRESENT and not voting:	None
ABSENT:	None

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	54% (increase)
Debt service	0% (increase)
Total expenditures	54% (increase)

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value of all property	\$6,010,899,239	\$7,186,328,129
Total appraised value of new property	\$ 269,966,504	\$ 328,161,094
Total taxable value of all property	\$5,709,223,611	\$6,072,933,687
Total taxable value of new property	\$ 269,966,504	\$ 328,161,094

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness \$0.00

### Tax Rates

Adopted tax rate for the preceding year	\$0.02934 per \$100 in value
Proposed tax rate for the current tax year	\$0.10000 per \$100 in value
Difference in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding year	\$0.07066 per \$100 in value
Percentage increase or decrease in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding year	241% Increase

**These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.**

### Comparison of Residence Homestead Values

Average appraised and taxable values on residence homesteads are compared from the preceding tax year and the current tax year.

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Average residence homestead appraised value	\$87,052	\$96,774
Homestead exemption amount for the taxing unit (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value of a residence homestead (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$87,052	\$96,774

### Comparison of Residence Homestead Taxes

The taxes that would have been imposed in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead at the average appraised value (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled) are estimated to be \$25.54. The taxes that would be imposed in the current year on a residence homestead appraised at the average valued in the current tax year (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled), if the proposed tax rate is adopted, are estimated to be \$96.74. The difference between the amount of taxes on the average residence homestead in the current tax year, if the proposed tax rate is adopted, and the preceding tax year would be an increase of \$71.20 in taxes.