

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.390000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of WEBB COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.390000 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.345157 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.455717 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2023 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for WEBB COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that WEBB COUNTY 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 WEBB COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 11, 2023 AT 09:00 AM AT Webb County Court House, 1000 Houston St. 2nd floor.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, WEBB 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 WEBB COUNTY at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE 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:**

- Hon. County Judge Tano E. Tijerina
- Hon Commissioner Jesse Gonzalez Pct. 1
- Hon Commissioner Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina Pct. 2
- Hon Commissioner John Galo, Commissioner Pct. 3
- Hon Commissioner Ricardo A. Jaime, Commissioner Pct. 4

**AGAINST the proposal:**

**PRESENT** and not voting:

**ABSENT:**

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 WEBB COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by WEBB COUNTY this year.

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.390000	\$0.390000	increase of 0.000000, or 0.00%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$178,112	\$199,527	increase of 21,415, or 12.02%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$694.64	\$778.16	increase of 83.52, or 12.02%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$109,911,733	\$123,675,950	increase of 13,764,217, or 12.52%

### **No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments**

#### **State Criminal Justice Mandate**

The WEBB COUNTY Auditor certifies that WEBB COUNTY has spent \$364,117 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. WEBB COUNTY Sheriff has provided WEBB COUNTY information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.000337/\$100.

#### **Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures**

The WEBB COUNTY spent \$688,147 from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 on indigent health care compensation expenditures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$23,079. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.000073/\$100.

#### **Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures**

The WEBB COUNTY spent \$4,407,711 from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure and to fund the operations of a public defender's office under Article 26.044, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$601,849. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.000608/\$100.

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For assistance with tax calculations, please contact Patricia A. Barrera, RTA., the tax assessor for WEBB COUNTY at (956) 523-4200 or [webbtax@webbcountytx.gov](mailto:webbtax@webbcountytx.gov), or visit [www.webbcountytx.gov](http://www.webbcountytx.gov) for more information.