

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.094785 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of BASTROP COUNTY ESD NO. 2.

Proposed Tax Rate	\$0.094785 per \$100
No-New-Revenue Tax Rate	\$0.089810 per \$100
Voter-Approval Tax Rate	\$0.094785 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Bastrop County ESD No. 2 from the same properties in both the 2020 and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Bastrop County ESD No. 2 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 Bastrop County ESD No. 2 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 21, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at Station 4, 1432 N. State Hwy 95, Bastrop, Texas.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Bastrop County ESD No. 2 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 Commissioners of Bastrop County ESD No. 2 at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

**YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX 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: George Martinez, Kate Johnston, Peter Hicks, and Doug Kelsay

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Thomas Chalmers

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 Bastrop County ESD No. 2 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Bastrop County ESD No. 2 this year.

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.098520	\$0.094785	Decrease of \$0.003735 per \$100 or 3.79%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$182,324	\$193,846	Increase of 6.32%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$179.63	\$183.74	Increase of \$4.11, or 2.29%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$1,596,495.21	\$1,765,962.43	Increase of \$169,467.22, or 10.61%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the Tax Assessor for Bastrop County ESD No. 2 at 512-581-7161 or [taxoffice@co.bastrop.tx.us](mailto:taxoffice@co.bastrop.tx.us) or visit [https://www.co.bastrop.tx.us/page/co.tax\\_assessor](https://www.co.bastrop.tx.us/page/co.tax_assessor).