

**Bastrop County  
Emergency Services District No. 2  
Regular Meeting  
Draft Agenda**

**FILED**  
**AUG 12 2026**  
Krista Bartsch  
Bastrop County Clerk  
9:09 a.m

Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Commissioners of the Bastrop County Emergency Services District No. 2 will be held on Tuesday August 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the **ESD2 Station 4, 1432 N. State Highway 95, Bastrop, Texas**, for the following purposes:

1. Call Meeting to Order
  - a. Roll Call and excused / non-excused absence vote.
2. Invocation.
3. Pledges of Allegiance.
4. Public Comment - Individual members of the public may address the Board for a maximum of five minutes per person on items not on the current agenda for a collective total of thirty minutes. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, any response to a public comment that is made on an item that is not on the published final agenda will be limited to a statement of factual information or a statement of existing policy given in response to the public comment. Any deliberation or decision by the Board must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda.
5. Public Comment on Agenda Items - Individual members of the public may address the Board for a maximum of three minutes per person per agenda item. Individuals may address the Board once per item. Members of the public may collectively address the Board for a total of thirty minutes per item on the agenda. Members of the public will speak on an agenda item after comments on the item are called for by the presiding officer, but before Board discussion and consideration of the item.

**SET PROPOSED TAX RATE**

6. Discuss and consider taking action regarding budget for fiscal year October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027.
7. Discuss and consider taking action regarding 2026 tax rate, including:
  - a. establishing proposed tax rate;
  - b. taking record vote on tax rate and scheduling public hearing;
  - c. authorizing expense and publication of "Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase" in the *Bastrop Advertiser*; and
  - d. acknowledging and approving posting of "Notice About 2026 Tax Rates" and "Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase" to home page of District website.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

8. Approval of minutes –
  - a. July 21, 2026 Regular Meeting.
  - b. 26-07-25 Budget Workshop

- c. 26-08-04 Special Meeting - Set Tax Rate

### **FINANCIAL DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

9. Discussion and possible action regarding Monthly Report from Treasurer, including:
- a. Report on payments from Tax Assessor-Collector and bank balance;
  - b. Report on Sales Tax Analysis;
  - c. Report on 3Q investment.
  - d. Report on monthly financial activities and issues;
  - e. Approval of unbudgeted expense items in excess of \$2,000;
  - f. Approval of prior month disbursements;
  - g. Approval of Auditor Contract.
  - h. Discussion and possible action on a GL Line item of for Capital Planning

### **OPERATIONAL DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

10. Discussion and possible action on Operations Report from Bastrop County ESD #2 - Fire Chief Josh Gill, including:
- a. Report on Monthly Response Statistics –
  - b. Report on Monthly Operations
    - i Training –
    - ii Management Activities –
    - iii Personnel –
    - iv Equipment Maintenance Report –
    - v Major New Construction in District –
  - c. Approval of Disposal Log –

### **POLICY DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

#### **General:**

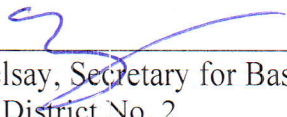
- 11. Update, discussion and possible action on selling two surplus UTV's with trailers.
- 12. Update, discussion and possible action on Elections Contract approval
- 13. Update, discussion and possible action on negotiations with the City Of Bastrop to provide fire protection. – Chief Gill
- 14. Update, discussion and possible action on payroll platforms – Lisa Eller.
- 15. Update, discussion and possible action on implementation of opting out of social security. – Chief Gill.
- 16. Update, discussion and possible action on Address Change Committee – Tommy Chalmers.

#### **Other:**

- 17. Call for Comments and Requests for future Agenda items - brief clarification can be provided, but no deliberation or discussion of the proposed matter will be allowed.
- 18. Adjournment.

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**A packet containing all supportive documentation for this agenda is available for inspection at the Bastrop ESD #4 Fire Station located at 1432 N. State Highway 95, Bastrop, Texas, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.**

  
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Doug Kelsay, Secretary for Bastrop County Emergency  
Services District No. 2

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Bastrop County Emergency Services District No. 2 is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call Josh Gill, Fire Chief for the District, at (512) 332-6366 for information. Hearing impaired or speech disabled persons equipped with telecommunication devices for the deaf may utilize the statewide Relay Texas Program, 1-800-735-2988.

The Board may retire to Executive Session any time between the meeting's opening and adjournment for any purpose authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, including but not limited to: consultation with legal counsel (Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code); personnel matters (Section 551.074); discussion of real estate acquisition (Section 551.072); discussion regarding a prospective gift to the District (Section 551.073); and/or deliberation regarding security devices or security audits (Section 551.076). Action, if any, will be taken in open session.

# **BASTROP COUNTY ESD NO. 2 TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT**

2025 Median Value of Homestead: \$290,343.00

2026 Median Value of Homestead: \$297,087.00

|                                                                      | District Tax Rate     |              | Homestead Owner<br>Tax Bill |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Actual for 2025:                                                     | \$ 0.100000           | per \$100 AV | \$ 290.34                   |
| Proposed for 2026:                                                   | Not yet<br>determined | per \$100 AV | Not yet determined          |
| No New Revenue Rate for 2026:                                        | Not yet<br>determined | per \$100 AV | Not yet determined          |
| Difference between Proposed Tax<br>Rate and No-New-Revenue Tax Rate: | Not yet<br>determined | per \$100 AV | Not yet determined          |

| Bastrop County ESD #2<br>FY26-27 Budget Summary<br>10/01/26 to 9/30/2027 |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Tax Year : 2026/2027 Draft Amount                                        |                     |
| TOTALS 07/24/2026 Assessment Roll Net Taxable                            | \$ 3,221,136,864.40 |
| ESD#2 Appraisal Roll \$ 3,221,136,864.4/ 100 X 0.10                      | \$ 3,221 136.86     |
| The Estimated 2026 Tax Roll @ 97% collection <sup>2</sup>                | \$ 3,124,502.76     |
| 30% of Delinquent taxes for 2026                                         | \$ 31,500.00        |
| Plus: Attorney Fees                                                      |                     |
| Plus: Surplus funds                                                      |                     |
| Plus: Sales Tax                                                          | \$ 1,700,000.00     |
| Plus: CWDG Funds                                                         | \$ 834,364.97       |
| otal Estimated Available Funds for FY27                                  | \$ 5,690,367.73     |
| Less:                                                                    |                     |
| ESD#2 Budget                                                             | \$ 5,778,966.04     |
| Balance Over(short)                                                      | \$ (88,598.31)      |