

Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The NEWPORT MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2021 on Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. at 16401 Country Club Drive, Community Room (next to Fitness Room), Crosby, Texas 77532. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

FOR the proposal: Margarete Chasteen, DeLonne L Johnson, Deborah Florus, Earl B Boykin, R. Gary Hasse

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.59890 /\$100 Adopted	\$0.61620 /\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$0.01730 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		2.89%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$191,868.00	\$201,399.00
General homestead exemptions available <small>(excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)</small>	\$0.00	\$0.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$191,868.00	\$201,399.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$1,149.10	\$1,241.02
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$91.92 8.00%

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 8 percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

If you are located inside the Newport Municipal Utility District Defined #1 Area the total tax rate proposed is \$1.40 per \$100 taxable value. If you are located outside the Newport Municipal Utility District Defined Area #1 then the tax rate proposed is \$0.61620 per \$100 of taxable value.

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.

Should you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact the tax office at 281-482-0216.