

# NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.5040 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Brenham.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	<u>\$ 0.5040</u> per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	<u>\$ 0.5493</u> per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	<u>\$ 0.6085</u> per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Brenham from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that City of Brenham may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that City of Brenham is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2020 AT 1:00 P.M. AND SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 AT 1:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 200 WEST VULCAN STREET, BRENHAM, TEXAS 77833.**

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Brenham is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting members of the City Council of City of Brenham at their offices or by attending the public meetings mentioned above.

**YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:**

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

The members of the governing body voted to consider the proposed tax rate as follows:

FOR:	<u>Tate, Cantey, Herring, Kolby, Saunders, Wright</u>
AGAINST:	<u>none</u>
PRESENT and not voting:	<u>none</u>
ABSENT:	<u>Ebel</u>

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 City of Brenham last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Brenham this year:

	2019	2020	\$ Change	% Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$ 0.5140	\$ 0.5040	\$ (0.0100)	-1.95%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$ 175,980	\$ 178,009	\$ 2,029	1.15%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$ 904.54	\$ 897.17	\$ (7.37)	-0.81%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$ 7,476,707	\$ 116,483	\$ (7,360,224)	-98.44%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Brenham at (979)-277-3740 or wdilworth@brenhamk-12.net, or visit [www.washintongcad.org](http://www.washintongcad.org).