

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of .0998 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.0998 per \$100
NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.0998 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.1035 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.1135 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 GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A public meeting to vote on the proposed tax rate will be held on August 21, 2020 at 1:00 PM at the Gonzales Emergency Services District #1 EMS & Rescue Station 1703 Saint Joseph Street Gonzales Texas.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT is not required to hold an election at which voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Gonzales County Emergency Services District #1 of GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES 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 on the proposed tax increase as follows:

FOR:

Rene de la Garza
Linda Carter

Commie Hisey D.O.
Christina Jahns

AGAINST:

None

PRESENT and not voting:

None

ABSENT:

None

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 GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT this year:

	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.1000	\$0.0998	<i>decrease of</i> -\$0.0002 OR
Average homestead taxable value	\$106,053	\$110,740	<i>increase of</i> 4.41%
Tax on average homestead	\$106	\$111	<i>increase of</i> \$4 OR 4.21%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$3,660,181	\$3,676,127	<i>increase of</i> \$15,946 OR 0.43%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for GONZALES CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT at 830-672-2841 or tac@co.gonzales.tx.us, or visit www.co.gonzales.tx.us for more information.