

# NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.072065 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Smith County Emergency Services District 2.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.072065 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.060436 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.080210 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Smith County Emergency Services District 2 from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Smith County Emergency Services District 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 Smith County Emergency Services District 2 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 AT 06.00 PM AT Smith County 911 Building, located at 205 Shelley Dr., Tyler, TX 75701.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Smith County Emergency Services District 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 - Smith County ESD2 of Smith County Emergency Services District 2 at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE 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:** Johnny Brown, President                      Brent Dominy, Secretary/Treasurer  
Charles Wilson, Commissioner                      Brad Edwards, Commissioner

**AGAINST the proposal:**

**PRESENT** and not voting:

**ABSENT:** Matthew McKeethan, Vice President

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

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 Smith County Emergency Services District 2 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence

homestead by Smith County Emergency Services District 2 this year.

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.068633	\$0.072065	increase of 0.003432, or 5.00%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$181,497	\$201,705	increase of 20,208, or 11.13%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$124.57	\$145.36	increase of 20.79, or 16.69%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$5,275,467	\$6,465,749	increase of 1,190,282, or 22.56%

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For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Smith County Emergency Services District 2 at 903-590-2920 or [gbarber@smith-county.com](mailto:gbarber@smith-county.com), or visit [www.smithcountyfire.org](http://www.smithcountyfire.org) for more information.