

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.03 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5**.

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| PROPOSED TAX RATE       | \$0.030000 per \$100 |
| NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE | \$0.027738 per \$100 |
| VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE | \$0.028900 per \$100 |
| DE MINIMIS RATE         | \$0.042264 per \$100 |

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2025 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** from the same properties in both the 2024 tax year and the 2025 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5**.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5**, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5**.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2025 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at EMS Station 3, 111 West Stroker Road, Crosby, Texas 77532. **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** shall take action on the proposed tax rate on August 21, 2025, following the hearing to be held.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate but not greater than the de minimis rate and does not exceed the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** adopts the proposed tax rate, **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** is not required to hold an election so that the voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate and the qualified voters of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** may not petition **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate.

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 on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR the proposal: **Sharon Cotton, Luther Brady, Larry Hall,  
James Blaha and Brent Burley**

AGAINST the proposal: **None**

PRESENT and not voting: **None**

ABSENT: **None**

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 **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** this year.

|                                     | <b>2024</b> | <b>2025</b> | <b>Change</b>                           |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Total tax rate (per \$100 of value) | \$0.030000  | \$0.030000  | Increase of 0.000000 per \$100 or 0.00% |
| Average homestead taxable value     | \$196,244   | \$204,672   | Increase of \$8,428 or 4.29%            |
| Tax on average homestead            | \$58.87     | \$61.40     | Increase of \$2.53 or 4.30%             |
| Total tax levy on all properties    | \$936,744   | \$1,045,924 | Increase of \$109,180 or 11.66%         |

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the District Counsel for **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5** at (713) 652-6500 or [npierce@smithmur.com](mailto:npierce@smithmur.com) or visit [www.hcesd5.org](http://www.hcesd5.org).