

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.100000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.100000 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.080579 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.083894 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.178904 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2026 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 from the same properties in both the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 exceeds the voter-approval rate for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2026 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 24, 2026, AT 2:00 PM AT 318 N. SALINE STREET, GRAND SALINE, TEXAS 75140.

VAN ZANDT COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 SHALL TAKE ACTION ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE ON AUGUST 24, 2026, AT 2:00 PM 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. However, the proposed tax rate exceeds the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 adopts the proposed tax rate, the qualified voters of the Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 may petition the Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate. If a majority of the voters reject the proposed tax rate, the tax rate of Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 will be the voter-approval tax rate.

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

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal:

Bobby Colacino
John David Savage

Steve Erwin
Lance Mayhugh

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT: Kelly Walker

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 Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 this year.

	2025	2026	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.068759	\$0.100000	Increase of 0.031241 per \$100, or 45.44%
Average homestead taxable value	\$176,141	\$178,190	Increase of 1.16%
Tax on average homestead	\$121.11	\$178.19	Increase of \$57.08, or 47.13%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$402,893	\$513,200	Increase of \$110,307, or 27.40%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the appraisal district for Van Zandt County Emergency Service District No. 2 at www.vzcad.org for more information.