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EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1
WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS
AGENDA
SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2026
6:00 P.M.
THOMAS LAKE RD STATION 54
46 THOMAS LAKE RD, HUNTSVILLE TEXAS 77320
www.walkercountyesd1.com

FILED FOR POSTING

At 8:50 O'clock A M.

Date: 8-17-26

City of Riverside, Secretary

By: *Lyne Castle*

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Announcement of quorum
- Certification that public Notice of Meeting was given in accordance to state law.

II. GENERAL ITEMS

- Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Texas Pledge "Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas one state under God, one and indivisible"

III. BUSINESS

Board

1. To receive public comment and conduct the public hearing/open forum to allow interested parties to address the Board of Commissioners and be heard regarding the proposed property tax rate setting.
2. Conclude Public Hearing on Tax Rate
3. To Adopt Walker County ESD FY 2027 Budget
4. To adopt the District's 2026 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service.
5. To adopt the District's 2026 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations.
6. To adopt the District's 2026 total Ad Valorem Tax Rate

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, ESD Commissioners shall determine that a closed meeting of the Board is required, then such closed meeting as authorized by Texas Government Code 551, sub-chapter D, will be held by the Commissioners at the date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Commissioners may conveniently meet in such closed meeting concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Chapter 551, sub-chapter D, inclusive of said Texas Government code, including but not limited to:

Section 551.071 For the purpose of private consultation between the Board and its attorney when the attorney's advice with respect to pending or contemplated litigation settlement offers, and matters where the duty of the Board counsel to his client pursuant to the Code of Professional Responsibility of the State Bar of the Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

V. ADJOURN

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting is a true and correct copy of said notice, and was posted at the Riverside Texas Post Office and Riverside Texas City Hall. It is also certified that this notice was posted at least 3 business days prior to the scheduled meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SL', is positioned above the printed name.

Steven Lucher, President

WALKER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT

House Bill 1522, passed by the Texas Legislature in 2025, amends section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code to require that the notice of a meeting required to be posted under section 551.043(c) of the Texas Open Meetings Act, at which a governmental body will discuss or adopt a budget for the governmental body, must include a taxpayer impact statement showing, for the median-valued homestead property, a comparison of the property tax bill in dollars pertaining to the property for the current fiscal year to an estimate of the property tax bill in dollars for the same property for the upcoming fiscal year.

Walker County Emergency Services District No. 1 ("District") has proposed a budget for the District's 2027 fiscal year to be funded in part by the 2026 Property Tax Rate to be adopted by the District. The District intends to adopt its budget on or before September 30, 2026.

Estimated Property Tax Bill for Current Fiscal Year:

- Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the District for 2025: \$138,265
- Property Tax Bill for the Current Fiscal Year at the adopted 2025 rate (\$0.060000): \$82.96

Comparison of Estimated Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts the Proposed Budget and Tax Rate (\$0.060000) versus the No New Revenue Rate (\$0.059223):

- Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the District for 2026: \$141,020
- Property Tax Bill for the Current Fiscal Year at the proposed 2026 rate (\$0.060000): \$84.61
- Estimated Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts a Balanced Budget Funded at the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (\$0.059223): \$83.52

The estimates in this Impact Statement are valid only for the proposed budget and proposed tax rate that the District Board of Commissioners will discuss at its meeting on August 24, 2026. This Taxpayer Impact Statement is included in the public notice posted on the District website for the District meeting to be held on August 24, 2026.