

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

PROPOSED TAX RATE: \$0.379282 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE: \$0.350342 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE: \$0.379282 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2023 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Williamson County from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Williamson County 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 Williamson County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON 08/29/2023 10:00 AM (CT) at Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main St, Georgetown, TX

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Williamson County 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 Williamson County Commissioners Court of Williamson County at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

FOR the proposal: County Judge Bill Gravell, Commissioner Terry Cook, Commissioner Cynthia Long, Commissioner Valarie Covey

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT: Commissioner Russ Boles

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 Williamson County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Williamson County this year.

	2022	2023	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.375608	\$0.379282	0.98% increase
Average homestead taxable value	\$317,403	\$360,112	13.45% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$1,192	\$1,366	14.46% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$362,281,228	\$416,293,446	14.91% increase

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate (counties)

The Williamson County Auditor certifies that Williamson County has spent \$792,100 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Williamson County Sheriff has provided Williamson information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0.000745 /\$100.

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures (counties)

The Williamson County spent \$3,649,595 from July 1 2022 to June 30 2023 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$1,236,298. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0.000116/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Williamson County at (512) 943-1601 or propertytax@wilco.org , or visit <https://www.wilcotx.gov/taxoffice> for more information.