

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.424540 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Galveston County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.424540 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.424540 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.454780 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Galveston County from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year. The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Galveston County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Galveston County is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A public meeting to vote on the proposed tax rate will be held on September 7, 2021 at 10:00 am at Commissioners Courtroom, 722 Moody Avenue, Galveston, Texas.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Galveston 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 Commissioners Court of Galveston County 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:

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

FOR the proposal:	Mark Henry	Darrell Apffel
	Joe Giusti	Stephen D. Holmes
	Ken Clark	

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

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.475900	\$0.424540	decrease of -0.051360, or -10.79%
Average homestead taxable value	\$191,986	\$209,615	increase of 17,629, or 9.18%
Tax on average homestead	\$913.66	\$889.90	decrease of -23.76, or -2.60%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$142,544,154	\$144,380,422	increase of 1,836,268, or 1.29%

Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures

The Galveston County spent \$3,006,920 from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 on indigent health care compensation expenditures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$200,122. This increased the no-new-revenue tax rate by \$0.000604/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Galveston County at (409) 766-2260 or galcotax@co.galveston.tx.us, or visit www.galcotax.com/property-tax/truth-in-taxation for more information.