Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

A tax rate of $0.120000 per $100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of the Southwest Texas College District.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	$	0.120000	per $100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	$	0.116008	per $100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	$	0.125552	per $100

The no-new-revenue tax rate for the 2025 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the Southwest Texas College District from the same properties in both the 2024 tax year and the 2025 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that the Southwest Texas College District 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. That means that Southwest Texas College District is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2025 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 11, 2025 at 12:00 noon in the Bluebonnet Room of the Matthews Student Center on the Uvalde Campus of Southwest Texas College.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Southwest College District 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 Board of Trustees Administrator, Vannessa Villarreal, of the Southwest Texas College District at her office or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

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

FOR: Maria Elena Lara, Victor Lopez, Tony Moreno, Rogelio Munoz, & Dr. Harry O. Watkins

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Dr. Antonio H. Rivera, Anita Shackelford

The 86th 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 compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by the Southwest Texas College District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Southwest Texas College District this year.

	2024	2025	Change Increase/(Decrease)		
Total tax rate (per $100 of value)	$ 0.115500	$ 0.120000	Increase of	$ 0.004500	3.90%
Average homestead taxable value	$138,117	$149,970	Increase of	$11,853	8.58%
Tax on average homestead	$159.53	$179.96	Increase of	$20.43	12.81%
Total tax levy on all properties	$6,835,895	$7,135,104	Increase of	$299,209	4.38%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact Lisa Ermis, Southwest Texas College VP of Finance at (830) 591-2935 or ldermis@swtxc.edu, or visit www.swtxc.edu for more information.