

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON 2023 TAX RATE INCREASE AND 2024 BUDGET

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET AND 2023 PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD on September 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District No. 1 Station, 350 N. Mallory, Sarita, Texas 78385.

A tax rate of \$0.056879 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.056879 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.054088 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.056879 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 Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 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 Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 24, 2023 AT 6:30 PM AT Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District #1 Station, 350 N. Mallory, Sarita, Texas 78385.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 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 Board of Directors of Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE 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: William Dieterle, Lorraine Burns, Daniel Alaniz

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Melinda Vela and Rogelio Salinas

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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 Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Service District #1 this year.

	2022	2023	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.052916	\$0.056879	increase of 0.003963, or 7.49%
Average homestead taxable value	\$69,243	\$70,597	increase of 1,354, or 1.96%
Tax on average homestead	\$36.64	\$40.15	increase of 3.51, or 9.58%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$760,111	\$786,867	increase of 26,756, or 3.52%