

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON 2025 TAX RATE INCREASE AND 2026 BUDGET

**A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET AND 2025 PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD on September 8, 2025, 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 \$0.0910390 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District #1.

<b>PROPOSED TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$0.091039 per \$100</b>
<b>NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$0.087960 per \$100</b>
<b>VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$0.091039 per \$100</b>

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2025 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District #1 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 Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services 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 Services District #1 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2025 tax year.

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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 Services 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:**

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

**FOR the proposal:** William Dieterle, Lorraine Burns, Melinda Vela, Daniel Alaniz

**AGAINST the proposal:** None

**PRESENT and not voting:** None

**ABSENT:** Alex Shugart

Visit Texas.gov/Property Taxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

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

	2024	2025	Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.075111	\$0.091039	increase of 0.015928 per \$100, or 21.21%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$77,773	\$74,740	decrease of -3.90%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$58.42	\$68.04	increase of \$9.62, or 16.47%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$840,877	\$870,197	increase of \$29,587, or 3.52%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the Kenedy County Tax Assessor at 361-294-5203 or [taxoffice@kenedycountytexas.gov](mailto:taxoffice@kenedycountytexas.gov), or visit [www.kenedycountytexas.gov](http://www.kenedycountytexas.gov).