

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.80590 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Orange, Texas.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.80590 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.77880 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.85399 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 City of Orange 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 City of Orange 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 City of Orange is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 31, 2021 AT 5:30 p.m. at Orange City Council Chambers, 220 N. 5th Street, Orange, Texas 77630.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Orange 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 City Council of City of Orange 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:

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

The members of the governing body voted on the proposed tax increase as follows:

FOR the proposal:	Larry Spears Jr. Paul Burch	Terrie T. Salter David C. Bailey Mary McKenna
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AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Brad Childs, Caroline Hennigan

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 City of Orange last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Orange this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.80590	\$0.80590	No Change
Average homestead taxable value	\$96,614	\$105,863	increase of \$9,249, or 9.57%
Tax on average homestead	\$778.62	\$853.15	increase of \$74.53, or 9.57%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$8,348,882	\$8,715,950	increase of \$367,068, or 4.39%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Orange at 409-882-7989 or kfisher@co.orange.tx.us or visit www.co.orange.tx.us for more information.