2015 Effective Tax Rate Worksheet

Walker County - County General Fund

See pages 13 to 16 for an explanation of the effective tax rate.

1.	2014 total taxable value. Enter the amount of 2014 taxable value on the 2014 tax roll today. Include any adjustments since last year's certification; exclude Section 25.25(d) one-third over-appraisal corrections from these adjustments. This total includes the taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in line 2) and the captured value for tax increment financing (will deduct taxes in line 14).	\$2,696,430,921
2.	2014 tax ceilings. Counties, Cities and Junior College Districts. Enter 2014 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. Other units enter "0" If your taxing units adopted the tax ceiling provision in 2014 or prior year for homeowners age 65 or older or disabled, use this step.	\$429,924,876
3.	Preliminary 2014 adjusted taxable value. Subtract line 2 from line 1.	\$2,266,506,045
4.	2014 total adopted tax rate.	\$0.658900/\$100
5.	2014 taxable value lost because court appeals of ARB decisions reduced 2014 appraised value. A. Original 2014 ARB values: B. 2014 values resulting from final court decisions: - \$3,475,000 C. 2014 value loss. Subtract B from A.	\$78,901
6.	2014 taxable value, adjusted for court-ordered reductions. Add line 3 and line 5C.	\$2,266,584,946
7.	2014 taxable value of property in territory the unit deannexed after January 1, 2014. Enter the 2014 value of property in deannexed territory.	\$0
8.	2014 taxable value lost because property first qualified for an exemption in 2014. Note that lowering the amount or percentage of an existing exemption does not create a new exemption or reduce taxable value. If the taxing unit increased an original exemption, use the difference between the original exempted amount and the increased exempted amount. Do not include value lost due to freeport, "goods-in-transit" exemptions. A. Absolute exemptions. Use 2014 market value: \$14,197,399 B. Partial exemptions. 2015 exemption amount or 2015 percentage exemption times 2014	
	value: + \$3,779,308 C. Value loss. Add A and B.	\$17,976,707

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9.	2014 taxable value lost because property first qualified for agricultural appraisal (1-d or 1-d-1), timber appraisal, recreational/scenic appraisal or public access airport special appraisal in 2015. Use only those properties that first qualified in 2015; do not use properties that qualified in 2014. A. 2014 market value: \$163,850 B. 2015 productivity or special appraised value: - \$1,970 C. Value loss. Subtract B from A.	\$161,880
10.	Total adjustments for lost value. Add lines 7, 8C and 9C.	\$18,138,587
11.	2014 adjusted taxable value. Subtract line 10 from line 6.	\$2,248,446,359
12.	Adjusted 2014 taxes. Multiply line 4 by line 11 and divide by \$100.	\$14,815,013
13.	Taxes refunded for years preceding tax year 2014. Enter the amount of taxes refunded during the last budget year for tax years preceding tax year 2014. Types of refunds include court decisions, Section 25.25(b) and (c) corrections and Section 31.11 payment errors. Do not include refunds for tax year 2014. This line applies only to tax years preceding tax year 2014.	\$5,108
14.	Taxes in tax increment financing (TIF) for tax year 2014. Enter the amount of taxes paid into the tax increment fund for a reinvestment zone as agreed by the taxing unit. If the unit has no 2015 captured appraised value in Line 16D, enter "0."	\$49,955
15.	Adjusted 2014 taxes with refunds. Add lines 12 and 13, subtract line 14.	\$14,770,166
16.	Total 2015 taxable value on the 2015 certified appraisal roll today. This value includes only certified values and includes the total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in line 18). These homesteads includes homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. A. Certified values only: B. Counties: Include railroad rolling stock	
	values certified by the Comptroller's office: + \$3,420,020	

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16. (cont.)	·	- \$0 - \$17,730,998	
	and D.		\$2,814,354,819
17.	Total value of properties under protest or not includappraisal roll. A. 2015 taxable value of properties under protest. The chief appraiser certifies a list of properties still under ARB protest. The list shows the district's value and the taxpayer's claimed value, if any or an estimate of the value if the taxpayer wins. For each of the properties under protest, use the lowest of these values. Enter the total value. B. 2015 value of properties not under protest or included on certified appraisal roll. The chief appraiser gives taxing units a list of those taxable properties that the chief appraiser knows about but are not included at appraisal roll certification. These properties also are not on the list of properties that are still under protest. On this list of properties, the chief appraiser includes the market value, appraised value and exemptions for the preceding year and a reasonable estimate of the market value, appraised value and exemptions for the current year. Use the lower market, appraised or taxable value (as appropriate). Enter the total value.	ed on certified \$114,119,798 + \$0	

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17. (cont.)		\$114,119,798
18.	2015 tax ceilings. Counties, cities and junior colleges enter 2015 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. Other units enter "0." If your taxing units adopted the tax ceiling provision in 2014 or prior year for homeowners age 65 or older or disabled, use this step.	\$483,026,152
19.	2015 total taxable value. Add lines 16E and 17C. Subtract line 18.	\$2,445,448,465
20.	Total 2015 taxable value of properties in territory annexed after January 1, 2008. Include both real and personal property. Enter the 2015 value of property in territory annexed.	\$0
21.	Total 2015 taxable value of new improvements and new personal property located in new improvements. "New" means the item was not on the appraisal roll in 2014. An improvement is a building, structure, fixture or fence erected on or affixed to land. A transportable structure erected on its owner's land is also included unless it is held for sale or is there only temporarily. New additions to existing improvements may be included if the appraised value can be determined. New personal property in a new improvement must have been brought into the unit after January 1, 2014 and be located in a new improvement. New improvements do include property on which a tax abatement agreement has expired for 2015. New improvements do not include mineral interests produced for the first time, omitted property that is back assessed and increased appraisals on existing property.	\$65,729,488
22.	Total adjustments to the 2015 taxable value. Add lines 20 and 21.	\$65,729,488
23.	2015 adjusted taxable value. Subtract line 22 from line 19.	\$2,379,718,977
24.	2015 effective tax rate. Divide line 15 by line 23 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.6206/\$100
25.	COUNTIES ONLY. Add together the effective tax rates for each type of tax the county levies. The total is the 2015 county effective tax rate.	
	Fund Name Tax Rate County General Fund 0.6206	\$0.6206/\$100

A county, city or hospital district that adopted the additional sales tax in November 2014 or in May 2015 must adjust its effective tax rate. *The Additional Sales Tax Rate Worksheet* on page 39 sets out this adjustment. Do not forget to complete the *Additional Sales Tax Rate Worksheet* if the taxing unit adopted the additional sales tax on these dates.

2015 Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet

Walker County - County General Fund

See pages 17 to 21 for an explanation of the rollback tax rate.

26.	2014 maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate.	\$0.607100/\$100	
27.	2014 adjusted taxable value. Enter the amount from line 11.	\$2,248,446,359	
28.	2014 M&O taxes.		
	A. Multiply line 26 by line 27 and divide by \$100.	\$13,650,317	
	B. Cities, counties and hospital districts with additional sales tax: Amount of additional sales tax collected and spent on M&O expenses in 2014. Enter amount from full year's sales tax revenue spent for M&O in 2014 fiscal year, if any. Other units, enter "0." Counties exclude any amount that was spent for economic development grants from the amount of sales tax spent.	+ \$3,260,941	
	C. Counties: Enter the amount for the state criminal justice mandate. If second or later year, the amount is for increased cost above last year's amount. Other units, enter "0."	+ \$0	
	D. Transferring function: If discontinuing all of a department, function or activity and transferring it to another unit by written contract, enter the amount spent by the unit discontinuing the function in the 12 months preceding the month of this calculation. If the unit did not operate this function for this 12-month period, use the amount spent in the last full fiscal year in which the unit operated the function. The unit discontinuing the function will subtract this amount in H below. The unit receiving the function will add this amount in		
	H below. Other units, enter "0."	+/- \$0	

2015 Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet (continued) Walker County - County General Fund

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	corrections and Section 31.11 payment errors. Do not include refunds for tax year 2014. This line applies only to tax years preceding tax year 2014. + \$4,697	
	F. Enhanced indigent health care expenditures: Enter the increased amount for the current year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures above the preceding tax year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures, less any state assistance. + \$0	
	G. Taxes in tax increment financing (TIF): Enter the amount of taxes paid into the tax increment fund for a reinvestment zone as agreed by the taxing unit. If the unit has no 2015 captured appraised value in Line 16D, enter "0." - \$71,224 H. Adjusted M&O Taxes. Add A, B, C, E and F. For	
	unit with D, subtract if discontinuing function and add if receiving function. Subtract G.	\$16,844,731
29.	2015 adjusted taxable value. Enter line 23 from the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$2,379,718,977
30.	2015 effective maintenance and operations rate. Divide line 28H by line 29 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.7078/\$100
31.	2015 rollback maintenance and operation rate. Multiply line 30 by 1.08. (See lines 49 to 52 for additional rate for pollution control expenses.	\$0.7644/\$100

2015 Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet (continued) Walker County - County General Fund

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32.	Total 2015 debt to be paid with property taxes and additional sales tax revenue. "Debt" means the interest and principal that will be paid on debts that: (1) are paid by property taxes, (2) are secured by property taxes, (3) are scheduled for payment over a period longer than one year and (4) are not classified in the unit's budget as M&O expenses. A: Debt also includes contractual payments to other taxing units that have incurred debts on behalf of this taxing unit, if those debts meet the four conditions above. Include only amounts that will be paid from property tax revenue. Do not include appraisal district budget payments. List the debt in Schedule B: Debt Service. B: Subtract unencumbered fund amount used to reduce total debt. C: Subtract amount paid from other resources. -\$153,624 C: Subtract amount paid from other resources. -\$40,500	\$1,180,243
33.	Certified 2014 excess debt collections. Enter the amount certified by the collector.	\$0
34.	Adjusted 2015 debt. Subtract line 33 from line 32.	\$1,180,243
35.	Certified 2015 anticipated collection rate. Enter the rate certified by the collector. If the rate is 100 percent or greater, enter 100 percent.	100.000000%
36.	2015 debt adjusted for collections. Divide line 34 by line 35.	\$1,180,243
37.	2015 total taxable value. Enter the amount on line 19.	\$2,445,448,465
38.	2015 debt tax rate. Divide line 36 by line 37 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.0482/\$100
39.	2015 rollback tax rate. Add lines 31 and 38.	\$0.8126/\$100
40.	COUNTIES ONLY. Add together the rollback tax rates for each type of tax the county levies. The total is the 2015 county rollback tax rate.	
	Fund Name Tax Rate County General Fund 0.8126	\$0.8126/\$100

A taxing unit that adopted the additional sales tax must complete the lines for the *Additional Sales Tax Rate*. A taxing unit seeking additional rollback protection for pollution control expenses completes the *Additional Rollback Protection for Pollution Control*.

Additional Sales Tax Rate Worksheet Walker County - County General Fund

41.	Units that adopted the sales tax in August or November 2014, or in January or May 2015. Enter the Comptroller's estimate of taxable sales for the previous four quarters. Units that adopted the sales tax before August 2014, skip this line.	\$0
42.	Estimated sales tax revenue. Counties exclude any amount that is or will be spent for economic development grants from the amount of estimated sales tax revenue.	
	UNITS THAT ADOPTED THE SALES TAX IN AUGUST OR NOVEMBER 2014, OR IN JANUARY OR MAY 2015. Multiply the amount on line 41 by the sales tax rate (.01, .005, or .0025, as applicable) and multiply the result by .95.	
	-OR-	
	UNITS THAT ADOPTED THE SALES TAX BEFORE AUGUST 2014. Enter the sales tax revenue for the previous four quarters. Do not multiply by .95.	\$3,260,941
43.	2015 total taxable value. Enter the amount from line 37 of the <i>Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet</i> .	\$2,445,448,465
44.	Sales tax adjustment rate. Divide line 42 by line 43 and multiply by \$100.	\$0.1333/\$100
45.	2015 effective tax rate, unadjusted for sales tax. Enter the rate from line 24 or 25, as applicable, on the <i>Effective Tax Rate Worksheet</i> .	\$0.6206/\$100
46.	2015 effective tax rate, adjusted for sales tax.	
	UNITS THAT ADOPTED THE SALES TAX IN AUGUST OR NOVEMBER 2014, OR IN JANUARY OR MAY 2015. Subtract line 45 from line 46.	
	-OR-	
	UNITS THAT ADOPTED THE SALES TAX BEFORE AUGUST 2014. Enter line 46, do not subtract.	\$0.6206/\$100
47.	2015 rollback tax rate, unadjusted for sales tax. Enter the rate from line 39 or 40, as applicable, of the rollback tax rate worksheet.	\$0.8126/\$100
48.	2015 rollback tax rate, adjusted for sales tax. Subtract line 44 from line 47.	\$0.6793/\$100

If the additional sales tax rate increased or decreased from last year, contact the Comptroller's office for special instructions on calculating the sales tax projection for the first year after the rate change.

Additional Rollback Protection for Pollution Control Worksheet Walker County - County General Fund

49.	Certified expenses from TCEQ. Enter the amount certified in the determination letter from TCEQ. The taxing unit shall provide its assessor with a copy of the letter. See Part 3, the Rollback Rate, for more details.	\$0
50.	2015 total taxable value. Enter the amount from line 37 of the <i>Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet</i> .	\$2,445,448,465
51.	Additional rate for pollution control. Divide line 49 by line 50 and multiply by 100.	\$0.0000/\$100
52.	2015 rollback tax rate, adjusted for pollution control. Add line 51 to one of the following lines (as applicable): line 39, line 40 (counties) or line 48 (units with the additional sales tax).	\$0.6793/\$100

2015 Notice of Effective Tax Rate Worksheet for Calculation of Tax Increase/Decrease

Entity Name: Walker County

Date: 07/30/2015

	County General Fund
1. 2014 taxable value, adjusted for court-ordered reductions.	
Enter line 6 of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$2,266,584,946
2.2014 total tax rate.	
Enter line 4 of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	0.658900
3. Taxes refunded for years preceding tax year 2014.	
Enter line 13 of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$5,108
4. Last year's levy.	
Multiply Line 1 times Line 2 and divide by 100.	
To the result, add Line 3.	\$14,939,636
5. 2015 total taxable value. Enter Line 19 of	
the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet.	\$2,445,448,465
6. 2015 effective tax rate.	
Enter line 24 of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet or Line	
47	
of the Additional Sales Tax Rate Worksheet.	0.620600
7. 2015 taxes if a tax rate equal to the effective tax rate is adopted.	
Multiply Line 5 times Line 6 and divide by 100.	\$15,176,453
8. Last year's total levy.	
Sum of line 4 for all funds.	\$14,939,636
9. 2015 total taxes if a tax rate equal to the effective tax rate is adopted.	
Sum of line 7 for all funds.	\$15,176,453
10. Tax Increase (Decrease).	• •
Subtract Line 8 from Line 9.	\$236,817

Walker County Tax Rate Recap for 2015 Tax Rates

Description of Rate	Tax Rate Per \$100	Tax Levy This is calculated using the Total Adjusted Taxable Value (line 19) of the Effective Tax Rate Worksheet	Additional Tax Levy Compared to <u>last</u> <u>year's tax levy</u> of 17,766,783	Additional Tax Levy Compared to effective tax rate levy of 15,176,453
Last Year's Tax Rate	0.658900	\$16,113,060	\$-1,653,723	\$936,607
Effective Tax Rate	0.620600	\$15,176,453	\$-2,590,330	\$0
Notice & Hearing Limit*	0.620600	\$15,176,453	\$-2,590,330	\$0
Rollback Tax Rate	0.679300	\$16,611,931	\$-1,154,852	\$1,435,478
Proposed Tax Rate	0.000000	\$0	\$-17,766,783	\$-15,176,453

Effective Tax Rate Increase to General Fund in Cents per \$100

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0.00	0.620600	15,176,453	-2,590,330	0
0.50	0.625600	15,298,726	-2,468,058	122,272
1.00	0.630600	15,420,998	-2,345,785	244,545
1.50	0.635600	15,543,270	-2,223,513	366,817
2.00	0.640600	15,665,543	-2,101,240	489,090
2.50	0.645600	15,787,815	-1,978,968	611,362
3.00	0.650600	15,910,088	-1,856,696	733,635
3.50	0.655600	16,032,360	-1,734,423	855,907
4.00	0.660600	16,154,633	-1,612,151	978,179
4.50	0.665600	16,276,905	-1,489,878	1,100,452
5.00	0.670600	16,399,177	-1,367,606	1,222,724
5.50	0.675600	16,521,450	-1,245,334	1,344,997
6.00	0.680600	16,643,722	-1,123,061	1,467,269
6.50	0.685600	16,765,995	-1,000,789	1,589,542
7.00	0.690600	16,888,267	-878,516	1,711,814
7.50	0.695600	17,010,540	-756,244	1,834,086
8.00	0.700600	17,132,812	-633,971	1,956,359
8.50	0.705600	17,255,084	-511,699	2,078,631
9.00	0.710600	17,377,357	-389,427	2,200,904
9.50	0.715600	17,499,629	-267,154	2,323,176
10.00	0.720600	17,621,902	-144,882	2,445,448
10.50	0.725600	17,744,174	-22,609	2,567,721
11.00	0.730600	17,866,446	99,663	2,689,993
11.50	0.735600	17,988,719	221,936	2,812,266
12.00	0.740600	18,110,991	344,208	2,934,538
12.50	0.745600	18,233,264	466,480	3,056,811
13.00	0.750600	18,355,536	588,753	3,179,083
13.50	0.755600	18,477,809	711,025	3,301,355
14.00	0.760600	18,600,081	833,298	3,423,628
14.50	0.765600	18,722,353	955,570	3,545,900

• *Notice & Hearing Limit Rate: This is the highest tax rate that may be adopted without notices and a public hearing. It is the lower of the rollback tax rate or the effective tax rate.

• School Districts: The school tax rate limit is \$1.50 for M&O, plus \$0.50 for 'New' debt plus a rate for 'Old' debt. 'Old' debt is debt authorized to be issued at an election held on or before April 1, 1991, and issued before September 1, 1992. All other debt is 'New' debt.

Tax Levy:

This is calculated by taking the adjusted taxable value (line 19 of Effective Tax Rate Worksheet), multiplying by the appropriate rate, such as the Effective Tax Rate and dividing by 100.

For School Districts: This is calculated by taking the adjusted taxable value (line 34 of the Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet), multiplying by the appropriate rate, dividing by 100 and then adding this year's frozen tax levy on homesteads of the elderly.

Last Year:

Additional Levy This is calculated by taking Last Year's taxable value (line 3 of Effective Tax Rate Worksheet), multiplying by Last Year's tax rate (line 4 of Effective Tax Rate Worksheet) and dividing by 100.

> **For School Districts:** This is calculated by taking Last Year's taxable value, subtracting Last Year's taxable value for the elderly, multiplying by Last Year's tax rate, dividing by 100 and adding Last Year's tax ceiling.

This Year:

Additional Levy This is calculated by taking the current adjusted taxable value, multiplying by the Effective Tax Rate and dividing by 100.

> For School Districts: This is calculated by taking the adjusted taxable value (line 34 of the Rollback Tax Rate Worksheet), multiplying by the Effective Tax Rate, dividing by 100 and adding This Year's tax ceiling.

COUNTIES ONLY:

All figures in this worksheet include ALL County Funds. Tax Levy amounts are the sum of each Fund's Taxable Value X each Fund's Tax Rate.

2015 Property Tax Rates in Walker County

This notice concerns 2015 property tax rates for Walker County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	County General Fund
Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$15,607,303
Last year's debt taxes	\$1,331,672
Last year's total taxes	\$16,938,975
Last year's tax base	\$2,248,446,359
Last year's total tax rate	0.658900/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on	
lost property)	\$14,770,166
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	
(after subtracting value of new property)	\$2,379,718,977
= This year's effective tax	
rate for each fund	0.620600/\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.620600/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted	\$16,844,731
operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on	
lost property and	
adjusting for any	

transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)

÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$2,379,718,977
= This year's effective operating rate	0.707800/\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.764400/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.048200/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.812600/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.812600/\$100

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.133300/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.679300/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Walker County adopts a 2015 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.620600 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2014 taxes by \$236,817.

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances: County General Fund

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	6,518,802
EMS Fund	1,330,326
Debt Service Fund	153,624
Legislatively Designated	1,162,646
Project Funds	900,000
Road and Bridge Fund	823.526

Schedule B: 2015 Debt Service: County General Fund

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Desc	cription of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Certi 2012	ificate of Obligation Series	830,000	544,367	0	1,374,367
,	Total required for 2015 debt se	ervice			\$1,374,367
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$153,624	
- ,	- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$40,500
-]	Excess collections last year				\$0
= '	= Total to be paid from taxes in 2015				\$1,180,243
	+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.000000% of its taxes in 2015				\$0
= '	Total Debt Levy				\$1,180,243

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)
In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ 3,260,941 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 1819 Sycamore, Huntsville, TX 77340.

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