

Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate but does not exceed the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §§26.06(b-2).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

This notice only applies to a taxing unit other than a special taxing unit or municipality with a population of less than 30,000, regardless of whether it is a special taxing unit.

PROPOSED TAX RATE: \$0.4403 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE: \$0.4153 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE: \$0.4662 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Walker County from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that Walker County 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 Walker County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON 08/26/2024 09:05 AM (CT) at Walker County Courthouse, 1100 University Avenue, Room 104, Huntsville, TX

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Walker County 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 Walker Commissioner's Court of Walker County at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

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

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal: County Judge Colt Christian, Commissioner Precinct 1 Danny Kuykendall, Commissioner Precinct 2 Ronnie White, Commissioner Precinct 3 Bill Daugette, Jr., Commissioner Precinct 4 Brandon Decker

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) 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 Walker County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Walker County this year.

	2023	2024	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.4127	\$0.4403	6.68% increase
Average homestead taxable value	\$229,766	\$248,567	8.18% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$948	\$1,094	15.41% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$23,882,177	\$26,118,828	9.36% increase

(Include the following text if these no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate adjustments apply for the taxing unit)

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate (counties)

The Walker County Auditor certifies that Walker County has spent \$250,965 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Walker County Sheriff has provided

Walker County information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0.0021 /\$100.

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures (counties)

The Walker County spent \$746,068 from July 1 2023 to June 30 2024 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$71,162. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0.0005/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Walker County at (936) 295-0402 or info@walkercad.org , or visit www.walkercad.org for more information.