

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.261801 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of the City of Santa Fe.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.261801 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.219843 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.261801 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.264707 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 the City of Santa Fe 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 the City of Santa Fe 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 the City of Santa Fe is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Santa Fe City Hall, 12002 Highway 6, Santa Fe, Texas 77510.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Santa Fe 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 Santa Fe 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:	Bill Pittman, Mayor	Jason O'Brien	Dana Marks
AGAINST the proposal:	Brandon Noto	John Dickerson	
ABSENT:	Melanie Collins		

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

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>Change</u>
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.238602	\$0.261801	increase of 0.023199, or 9.72%
Average homestead taxable value	\$252,830	\$278,543	increase of 25,713, or 10.17%
Tax on average homestead	\$603.26	\$729.23	increase of 125.97, or 20.88%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$2,396,040	\$2,940,527	increase of 544,487, or 22.72%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Santa Fe at 1-877-766-2284 or galcotax@co.galveston.tx.us, or visit www.galcotax.com for more information.