

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.506817 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Sweetwater.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.506817 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.480602 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.506818 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 City of Sweetwater from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that City of Sweetwater 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 Sweetwater is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 10, 2024 AT 9:00 AM AT City Council Room at City Hall, 200 E. 4th Street, Sweetwater, Texas.

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

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

<b>FOR the proposal:</b>	Mayor - Jim McKenzie Councilmember - Kerry Baker	Mayor Pro Tem - John McPherson
<b>AGAINST the proposal:</b>	None	
<b>PRESENT and not voting:</b>	None	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilmember - Ricky Castro	Councilmember - Stacey Boil

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

	2023	2024	Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.507150	\$0.506817	decrease of -0.000333 per \$100, or -0.07%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$88,739	\$121,433	increase of 36.84%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$450.04	\$615.44	increase of 165.40, or 36.75%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$3,122,102	\$3,315,806	increase of 193,704, or 6.20%

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For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Sweetwater at 325-235-8421 or [nolancad@gmail.com](mailto:nolancad@gmail.com), or visit [www.sweetwatertx.gov](http://www.sweetwatertx.gov) or [www.nolan-cad.org](http://www.nolan-cad.org) for more information.