

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of 0.543613 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Seabrook.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.543613 per \$100
NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.525512 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.543613 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.568187 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Seabrook from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Seabrook may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for City of Seabrook exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for City of Seabrook.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for City of Seabrook, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for City of Seabrook.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that City of Seabrook is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on October 06, 2020 at 5:30PM by teleconference. This meeting will be open to the public via remote access that allows for two-way communications for those desiring to participate. Members of the public may attend the meeting by registering at the following link: <http://seabrooktx.gov/public-mtg-100620>. In order to view all exhibits during the meeting, members of the public can use a desktop PC, laptop, tablet, or iPad to enter the above address into the Google Chrome address bar to be taken directly into the meeting, or may download the GoToWebinar app on their Android or iPhone free of charge and use **Meeting ID 172-618-371** when prompted.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Seabrook 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 Seabrook at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

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

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

FOR:

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

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| Thom Kolupski - Mayor | Ed Klein - Council Position 1 |
| Laura Davis - Council Position 2 | Jeff Larson - Council Position 3 |
| Natalie Picha - Council Position 4 | Buddy Hammann - Council Position 5 |
| Joe Machol - Council Position 6 | |

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

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

	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.551983	\$0.543613	<i>decrease of</i> -\$0.008370 OR
Average homestead taxable value	\$232,998	\$240,299	<i>increase of</i> 3.13%
Tax on average homestead	\$1,286	\$1,306	<i>increase of</i> \$20 OR 1.56%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$6,761,785	\$7,134,793	<i>increase of</i> \$373,008 OR 5.52%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Seabrook at 281-291-5732 or mgibbs@seabrooktx.gov, or visit www.seabrooktx.gov for more information.