

NAVARRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Subject: Approval of Ordinance Setting 2026-27 Tax Rate of \$1.1687

Date: August 31, 2026

Administrator Responsible/Position: Paul Neuhoﬀ

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

☐ Information Only

☒ Action Needed

☐ Receive Input

B. Authority for This Action:

☐ Local Policy

☒ Law or Rule

☐ N/A

C. Priority, Goal, or Need Addressed:

☐ Strategic Plan

☐ District/Campus
Improvement
Plan

☒ Other

Priorities

☐ **Priority 1:** Recruiting, Hiring, Coaching, and Retaining High Quality Teachers and Staff to Support Student Outcomes.

☐ **Priority 2:** Maximizing Academic Performance.

☐ **Priority 3:** Maximizing Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Opportunities, Performance, and Engagement.

☐ **Priority 4:** Planning, Preparing, and Maintaining Facilities and Environments for Learning.

☐ **Priority 5:** Obtaining and Maintaining Top Rated District Recognition

Board Goals for 2023-2028

☐ **Goal 1*:** The percent of 3rd grade students that score meets grade level or above on STAAR Reading will increase from 49% to 60% by June 2024, 65% for 2024-2025, 70% for 2025-2026, 75% for 2026-2027, 80% for 2027-2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

☐ **Goal 2*:** Increased overall student performance in mathematics to 85% Meets Standard by 2028. The percent of 3rd grade students that score meets grade level or above on STAAR Math will increase from 53% to 65% by June 2024, 70% for 2024-2025, 75% for 2025-2026, 80% for 2026-2027, 85% for 2027-2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

☐ **Goal 3*:** The percentage of graduates that meet the criteria for CCMR will increase from 72% to 88% by August 2024 and increase to 95% by 2028. **(HB3 Required Goal)**

D.

Summary: Annually the Board must adopt a tax rate in order to fund the budget for the new fiscal year.

Background Information: The Board of Trustees must adopt a tax rate for 2026 to fund the 2026-27 budget as follows: \$0.6687 for Maintenance and Operations, and \$0.500

for Interest and Sinking, for a Total Combined Rate of \$1.2228 using language prescribed in the Tax Code.

This tax rate will enable the district to support the proposed budget and advance academic quality and extracurricular programs. The Maintenance and Operations rate decreased by \$0.0541 to \$0.6687, down from the previous year of \$0.7228. The debt service rate stayed the same. This rate will allow the district to fund payments caused by the sale of \$50 million in bonds in August 2026.

E. Comments Received:

☒ LT

☐ DEIC

☒ Other

All agenda items are reviewed by the Superintendent's Leadership Team.

F. Administrative Recommendation: **The administration recommends approval of the Ordinance Setting the Tax Rate for 2026-27 at \$1.1687.**

G. Fiscal Impact and Cost:

Amount: N/A

☒ Budget

☐ Grant/Special
Funds

☐ Other

☐ Bond

H. Exhibits: Resolution of the Board to Set Tax Rate for 2026-27

I. Action: I move to approve/disapprove/postpone that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.1687 which is effectively a 4.87 percent increase in the No-New_Revenue tax rate. This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate.

Motion by: _____ second by: _____

FOR: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson
AGAINST: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson
ABSTAIN: J. Frederick, D. Gilliam, L. Gosch, D. Reinhard, M. Sartain, C. Scheib, B. Stephenson

MOTION CARRIED/DENIED/POSTPONED