

**Consider Approval of a Resolution of the Board to Set Tax Rate for School Year 2024-2025
August 19, 2024**

1. Background: The Texas Constitution, Tax Code, and Education Code embody the concepts of truth-in-taxation to require school districts to make taxpayers aware of tax rate proposals to allow taxpayers, in certain cases, to roll back or limit a tax increase.

2. Process: Tax Code requires that appraisal districts certify appraised values by July 25, after which, districts can begin calculating an effective tax rate. As required, a notice of Public Hearing was posted 10 to 30 days before the public hearing date. The District is proposing an M&O rate of \$0.7869/\$100 valuation which is a 11% increase from last year and an I&S Rate of \$0.0/\$100 value which is a 100% decrease from last year. This is a total tax rate of \$ 0.7869/\$100 valuation compared to a total tax rate of \$ 0.7782.

Supermajority Approval Requirement to Adopt Tax Rate

This year's proposed tax rate EXCEEDS the rate to maintain the same level of maintenance & operations revenue & pay debt service. The vote to adopt the tax rate must be a record vote and must have at least 60 percent of the members of the governing body vote in favor of the ordinance, resolution, or order. THIS APPLIES TO ALL MEMBERS AND IS NOT RESTRICTED TO JUST MEMBERS THAT ARE PRESENT.

3. Fiscal Impact: These rates are estimated to generate \$12,903,643 for maintenance and operations (M&O) and \$0.00 for debt services (I&S).

4. Recommendation: Board approves the adoption of a M & O tax rate of \$0.7869 and a debt service tax rate of \$0.0 for a total tax rate of \$0.7869.

5. Action Required: Action required.

I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.7869, which is effectively an 11 percent increase in the tax rate for M & O

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