

Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate but does not exceed the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §§26.06(b-2).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE

This notice only applies to a taxing unit other than a special taxing unit or municipality with a population of less than 30,000, regardless of whether it is a special taxing unit.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$ 0.565866	per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$ 0.549960	per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$ 0.567895	per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2026 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for HOCKLEY COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year.

(current tax year)
(name of taxing unit)
(preceding tax year)
(current tax year)

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that HOCKLEY COUNTY may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

(name of taxing unit)

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that HOCKLEY COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2026 tax year.

(current tax year)

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON 8/24/26 9:00 am at 802 HOUSTON, COMMISSIONERS COURT.

(date and time)
(meeting place)

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, HOCKLEY COUNTY 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 COMMISSIONERS COURT of HOCKLEY COUNTY at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

(name of governing body)
(name of taxing unit)

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

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

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal: SETH GRAF, ALAN WISDOM, LARRY CARTER
AGAINST the proposal: _____
PRESENT and not voting: JUDGE BALDRIDGE
ABSENT: TOMMY CLEVENGER

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 HOCKLEY COUNTY last year
(name of taxing unit)
to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by HOCKLEY COUNTY this year.
(name of taxing unit)

	2025	2026	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	0.499918	0.565866	Increase of 0.065948 per \$100, or 11.65%
Average homestead taxable value	\$130,897	\$143,274	Increase of \$12,377 or 8.64%
Tax on average homestead	\$654.38	\$810.74	Increase of 156.38 or 19.29%
Total tax levy on all properties	17,167,168	17,541,837	Increase of 374,669 or 2.14%

(Include the following text if these no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate adjustments apply for the taxing unit)

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate (counties)

The HOCKLEY County Auditor certifies that HOCKLEY County has spent \$ 5,732 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. HOCKLEY County Sheriff has provided HOCKLEY information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs.

This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0.000036 /\$100.

Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures (counties)

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 177,355 from July 1 2025 to June 30 2026 on indigent health care compensation procedures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$ 0.

This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0 /\$100.

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures (counties)

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 203 from July 1 2025 to June 30 2026 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure, and to fund the operations of a public defender's office under Article 26.044, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$ 0.

This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0 /\$100.

Eligible County Hospital Expenditures (cities and counties)

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 0 from July 1 2025 to June 30 2026 on expenditures to maintain and operate an eligible county hospital.

For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's eligible county hospital expenditures is \$ 0.

This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by 0 /\$100.

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit maintains an internet website)

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for HOCKLEY COUNTY at (806) 894-4938 or mtaylor@hockleycounty.org, or visit co.hockley.tx.us for more information.

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit does not maintain an internet website)

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