

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Comal County ESD #4 (FIRE) will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 4.618926 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM at Bremer Training Center Building, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, TX 78070.

The second public hearing will be held on September 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM at Bremer Training Center Building, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, TX 78070.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Paul Graf-President; Deena Clausen-Treasurer; Brett Barnett-Assistant Treasurer; Robert Bruce-Secretary

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT: Joshua Dean-Vice President

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Comal County ESD #4 (FIRE) last year was \$278,114. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.060000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$166.87.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Comal County ESD #4 (FIRE) this year is \$301,835. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.057351 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$173.11.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.060000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$181.10.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.