

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.579778 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of RUNNELS COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.579778 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.558702 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.580507 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for RUNNELS COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

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

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that RUNNELS COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 27, 2024 AT 9:15 AM AT 613 HUTCHINGS AVE., DISTRICT COURTROOM, 2ND FLOOR, BALLINGER, TX..

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

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

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

FOR the proposal:	JULIA MILLER RUNNELS	CARL KING COMMISSIONER
	COUNTY JUDGE	PRCT. 1
	CHRIS OCKER COMMISSIONER	BRANDON POEHLS
	PRCT. 2	COMMISSIONER PRCT. 3
	JUAN ORNELAS COMMISSIONER	
	PRCT. 4	

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

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 RUNNELS COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by RUNNELS COUNTY this year.

	2023	2024	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.585571	\$0.579778	decrease of -0.005793 per \$100, or -0.99%
Average homestead taxable value	\$105,668	\$118,549	increase of 12.19%
Tax on average homestead	\$618.76	\$687.32	increase of 68.56, or 11.08%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$5,285,312	\$5,513,382	increase of 228,070, or 4.32%

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures

The RUNNELS COUNTY spent \$130,448 from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 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 the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$59,546. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.000375/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for RUNNELS COUNTY at 325-365-2339 or robin.burgess@runnelscounty.org, or visit runnelscounty.org for more information.