

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The COUNTY OF GONZALES 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 5.91 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 Aug. 29, 2011 at 9:00 AM at Commissioners Courtroom, Gonzales County Courthouse, 414 St. Joseph, Gonzales, Tx. 78629.

The second public hearing will be held on Sept. 1, 2011 at 9:00 AM at Commissioners Courtroom, Gonzales County Courthouse, 414 St. Joseph, Gonzales, Tx. 78629.

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

FOR: Kenneth O. (Dell) Whiddon Donnie R. Brzozowski
Kevin T. LaFleur Otis S. (Bud) Wuest

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in COUNTY OF GONZALES last year was \$65,256. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.645 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$420.90.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in COUNTY OF GONZALES this year is \$65,485. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.5918 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$387.54.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.6268 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$410.46.

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

Schedule D - Criminal Justice Mandate

The COUNTY OF GONZALES Auditor certifies that COUNTY OF GONZALES has spent \$33,016 in the previous 12 months beginning JUNE 1, 2010, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. COUNTY OF GONZALES Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.