

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS August 3, 2023

AGENDA TOPIC: Submission of calculated FY 2023-24 property tax rates to the City Council

DATE: August 3, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Finance

PRESENTED BY: Summer Fleming, Interim Director of Finance

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

Truth-in-taxation is a concept embodied in the Texas Constitution art. VIII, § 21a that requires taxing units to make taxpayers aware of property tax rate proposals. Additionally, Senate Bill 2, also known as the Texas Property Tax Reform and Transparency Act, was passed by the Texas Legislature in 2019 affecting the tax rate setting process. Pursuant to this and state law, the following steps are required to officially submit the No New Revenue Rate and the Voter Approval Rate to the governing body.

- 1. By August 7 or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Finance Department shall submit the rates to the Governing Body using the tax rate calculation forms prescribed by the comptroller (Sec. 5.07).
- 2. The Finance Department shall submit the tax rate calculation forms to the county assessor-collector for each county in which all or part of the territory of the taxing unit is located.
- 3. The rates shall be posted prominently on the home page of the taxing unit's website, in the form prescribed by the comptroller.

As of the date of preparation of the agenda packet, the tax rate calculations were not yet available. If the tax rate calculations are made available by August 3rd, the calculations will be posted on the City's Truth in Taxation website: https://www.fairoaksranchtx.org/514/Taxes-Truth-in-Taxation

If the tax calculations are not available on or before August 3rd, this agenda item will be deferred until the next regularly scheduled council meeting on August 17th.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:

No action is required.