

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

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Robertson County, Texas

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A tax rate of \$0.45400 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Robertson County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.45400 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.43076 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.45435 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2025 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Robertson County from the same properties in both the 2024 tax year and the 2025 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Robertson 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 Robertson County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2025 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 16, 2025 AT 1:00 PM AT THIRD FLOOR COMMISSIONERS COURT AT THE HISTORIC ROBERTSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 102 E DECHERD ST. FRANKLIN, TEXAS 77856.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Robertson 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 Commissioner's Court of Robertson 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:**

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

**FOR the proposal:**

Judge Joe David Scarpinato  
Precinct 2 Donald Threadgill  
Precinct 4 James Taylor

Precinct 1 Ty Rumpy  
Precinct 3 Charles Hairston

**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 Robertson County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Robertson County this year.

	2024	2025	Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.44694	\$0.45400	increase of 0.00706 per \$100, or 1.58%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$143,100	\$158,325	increase of 10.64%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$639.57	\$718.80	increase of 79.23, or 12.39%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$17,397,258	\$18,530,306	increase of 1,133,048, or 6.51%

### **No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments**

#### **State Criminal Justice Mandate**

The Robertson County Auditor certifies that Robertson County has spent \$125,459 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Robertson County Sheriff has provided Robertson County information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.00141/\$100.

#### **Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures**

The Robertson County spent \$452,965 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 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 \$11,399. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.00028/\$100.

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For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Robertson County at 979-828-3337 or [michael.brewer@co.robertson.tx.us](mailto:michael.brewer@co.robertson.tx.us), or visit [co.robertson.tx.us/page/robertson.county.assessor](http://co.robertson.tx.us/page/robertson.county.assessor) for more information.