

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

Last year, the CITY OF SWEENY property tax rate was \$0.775571. That rate raised \$626,939, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as:

Police, Streets, Parks & Recreation

This year, CITY OF SWEENY is proposing a property tax rate of \$0.750000. That rate would raise \$678,692, which is \$51,753 more than taxes imposed last year.

There will be two public hearings to consider that increase. The first public hearing will be held on August 30, 2005 at 7:00 PM at City Hall Council Chambers, 102 W Ashley Wilson Rd. The second hearing will be held on September 8, 2005 at 7:00 PM at City Hall Council Chambers, 102 Ashley Wilson Rd.

You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The CITY OF SWEENY

conducted public hearings on a proposal to

increase the total tax revenues of the

CITY OF SWEENY

from properties on the tax roll in the preceding

year by 6.39 percent

on August 30, 2005 at 7:00 PM

and September 8, 2005 at 7:00 PM.

The City Council

is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that

will result in that tax increase at a public

meeting to be held

on September 20, 2005, at 7:00 PM

at City Hall Council Chambers,

102 Ashley Wilson Rd.

**Section 26.05(b) of Property Tax Code
New Steps Required for Adoption of Tax Rate**

Entity Name: CITY OF SWEENY

Date: 8/17/2005

Language Required in the Motion Setting This Year's Tax Rate:

This year's proposed tax rate exceeds the effective tax rate. The vote on the ordinance, resolution, or order setting the tax rate must be a record vote. A motion to adopt the ordinance, resolution, or order must be made in the following form: "I move that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.750000."

Statement Required in the Ordinance, Resolution, or Order Setting This Year's Tax Rate:

This year's tax levy to fund maintenance and operations expenditures exceeds last year's maintenance and operations tax levy. Also, this year's M&O tax rate is higher than the effective maintenance and operations tax rate. The following statements must be included in the ordinance, resolution, or order setting this year's tax rate. The statements must be in larger type than the type used in any other portion of the document:

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY (\$.00).

Statement That Must be Posted on the Home Page of Any Internet Website Operated by the Taxing Unit:

This year's tax levy to fund maintenance and operations expenditures exceeds last year's maintenance and operations tax levy. Also, this year's M&O tax rate is higher than the effective maintenance and operations tax rate. The following statements must be included on the home page of any Internet website operated by CITY OF SWEENY:

CITY OF SWEENY ADOPTED A TAX RATE THAT WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY (\$.00).
