## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.83910 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Dickens County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE

\$0.83910 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE

\$0.77520 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE

\$0.83910 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Dickens County from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Dickens 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 Dickens County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 12, 2022 AT 8:459 AM AT Dickens County Annex 508 Crow St Dickens, Tx 79229.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Dickens 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 Dickens County Commissioners Court of Dickens 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:

Mike Smith

Dennis Wyatt

Charlie Morris

Jerry Alexander

Judge Kevin Brendle

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not

voting:

ABSENT:

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

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.85000	\$0.83910	decrease of -0.01090, or -1.28%
Average homestead taxable value	\$25,474	\$29,020	increase of 3,546, or 13.92%
Tax on average homestead	\$216.53	\$243.51	increase of 26.98, or 12.46%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$2,047,787	\$2,375,182	increase of 327,395, or 15.99%

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

## **Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures**

The Dickens County spent \$18,135 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 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 \$13,510. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.00008/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Dickens County at 8066235216 or dickenst@caprock-spur.com, or visit www.co.dickens.tx.us.com for more information.