

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.756320 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Mertzton.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.756320 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.586699 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.756320 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2023 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Mertzton from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that City of Mertzton 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 City of Mertzton is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 21, 2023 AT 6:30 pm AT City Hall in Mertzton.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Mertzton 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 City Council of City of Mertzton 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:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

FOR the proposal: Micah Elliott Jayton Lindley
Danny Crutchfield Charlene Holland
Randy Councilman

AGAINST the proposal: Aubrey Stewart, Mayor

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 City of Mertzton last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Mertzton this year.

	2022	2023	Change
Total tax rate (per	\$0.608249	\$0.756320	increase of 0.148071, or

\$100 of value)			24.34%
Average homestead taxable value	\$68,903	\$73,479	increase of 4,576, or 6.64%
Tax on average homestead	\$419.10	\$555.74	increase of 136.64, or 32.60%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$233,526	\$302,588	increase of 69,062, or 29.57%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Mertz on at 325-835-5791 or cityadmin@cityofmertz on.com, or visit www.cityofmertz on.com for more information.