

**KENEDY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2021 BUDGET AND  
PROPOSED 2020 TAX RATE**

The Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2021 tax year and on the proposed 2020 tax rate on September 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. at the KENEDY COUNTY COURTHOUSE DISTRICT COURTROOM, Sarita, Texas 78385. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District Board members, on August 18, 2019, voted for the proposed 2021 budget and proposed 2020 tax rate as follows:

<b>FOR</b> the proposal:	Chuck Burns	David Delaney	Homero Vera
	Craig Weiland	Daniel Butler	
<b>AGAINST</b> the proposal:	None		
<b>PRESENT</b> and not voting:	None		
<b>ABSENT</b> :	None		

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year \$0.012800/\$100 Adopted	This Year \$0.012800/\$100 Proposed
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)		
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	-\$0.000000/\$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)	-0.0%	
Average appraised value	\$72,280	\$68,078
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value	\$72,280	\$68,078
Tax on average residence homestead	\$9.25	\$8.71
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		-\$0.54
and percentage of increase (+/-)		-5.84%

If the proposed combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate requires or authorizes an election to approve or reduce the tax rate the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District proposes to use, the tax increase for the purpose of N/A.

If the district is a district described by Section 49.23601:

**NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE**

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than eight percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23601, Water Code.

If the district is a district described in by Section 49.23602:

### NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5 percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code.

If the district is a district described in by Section 49.23603:

### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 8 percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

**The 86<sup>th</sup> 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 Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the aver residence homestead by Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District this year:

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total Tax Rate (Per \$100 of value)	0.0128	0.0128	0% increase/decrease
Average homestead taxable value	\$72,280	\$68078	5.81% decrease
Tax on average homestead	\$9.25	\$8.71	5.83% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$220,296	\$205,015	6.93% decrease

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the Tax Assessor for Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District at 361-592-9347 or [dlvillarreal@villarrealaw.net](mailto:dlvillarreal@villarrealaw.net) or visit [www.kenedygcd.com](http://www.kenedygcd.com) for more information.