

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.304886 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of CITY OF CELESTE.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.304886 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.304886 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.361432 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2026 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF CELESTE from the same properties in both the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF CELESTE may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that CITY OF CELESTE is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2026 tax year.

A PUBLIC MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 8, 2026 AT 6:00 PM AT City Hall @ N. 201 US HWY 69, Celeste, TX 75423.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, CITY OF CELESTE is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the 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 CELESTE at their offices or by attending the public meeting 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:	Rickey Lewis	Jason Minter
	Sharon Rector	Chris White
	Tim Sparks	

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting:None

ABSENT: None

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 CELESTE last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF CELESTE this year.

	2025	2026	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.291088	\$0.304886	increase of 0.013798 per \$100, or 4.74%
Average homestead taxable value	\$0	\$0	increase of 0.00%
Tax on average homestead	\$0.00	\$0.00	increase of \$0.00, or 0.00%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$181,917	\$185,675	increase of \$3,758, or 2.07%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for CITY OF CELESTE at 903-408-4000 or hctax@hctax.info, or visit hctax.info for more information.