

**San Jacinto College District
Public Hearing Minutes**

September 24, 2019

The Board of Trustees of the San Jacinto Community College District met at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2019, in Room 104 of the Thomas S. Sewell District Administration Building, 4624 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Texas, for a Public Hearing.

Board of Trustees: Marie Flickinger, Chair
Dan Mims
John Moon, Jr. Vice Chair
Keith Sinor, Secretary
Dr. Ruede Wheeler
Larry Wilson

Absent: Erica Davis Rouse, Assistant Secretary

Chancellor: Brenda Hellyer

Others Present: Larry Cernosek
Sylvia Cernosek
Rosie Helms
Bo Hopper
Joseph Pena
Mandi Reiland
Teri Zamora

Call the Meeting to order: Chair Marie Flickinger called the public hearing of the Board of Trustees to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Board Members: Marie Flickinger, Chair
Dan Mims
John Moon, Jr. Vice Chair
Keith Sinor, Secretary
Dr. Ruede Wheeler
Larry Wilson

Absent: Erica Davis Rouse, Assistant Secretary

Presentation on the Proposed Tax Rate: Teri Zamora provided a general discussion on property tax basics, property tax history, and an overview of the proposed tax rate.

She stated that the proposed rate for M&O is \$0.117251 and for debt, \$0.060918, for a total of \$0.178169. The tax rate for 2018 tax year was \$0.179329.

Teri provided a recap of tax revenues. The tax revenue I&S (debt) for the 2020 budget is \$37,728,096, the tax revenue M&O (operating) is \$72,131,000, which is a total ad valorem tax revenue of \$109,859,096.

In light of the new tax base, the College will be able to lower the overall tax rate to \$0.178169, a 0.6% decrease from the previous year. This makes it the lowest tax rate by the College since 2016. Although the overall rate is lower, due to the College's debt rate being higher, the College will not be able to use the Effective Tax Rate and therefore must hold two Tax Hearings.

Teri explained that the Board met to discuss the proposed tax rate on September 9, 2019. On September 13, 2019, the hearing dates were published. The second hearing will be on September 27, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. On September 30, 2019, the notice of tax revenue increase will be published, and the Board will meet on October 7, 2019 to adopt the tax rate.

**Public Comment
on Proposed Tax
Rate:**

Larry Cernosek requested to be heard before the Board of Trustees.

**Announcement of
Date, Time, and
Place of Board
Vote on Tax Rate:**

Chair Marie Flickinger stated that the Board of Trustees of the San Jacinto Community College District will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, October 7, 2019, in Room 104 of the Thomas S. Sewell District Administration Building, 4624 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Texas to vote on the tax rate.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.