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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Seshadri Kumar who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the publisher of India Herald and that said newspaper meets the requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

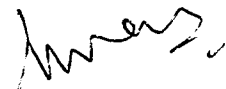
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2. It is published at least once each week;
3. It is entered as second-class postal matter in the county where it is published; and
4. It has been published regularly and continuously since 1995.

Publisher further deposes and says that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date (s) to wit:

Sept. 23, 2009

**Notice of Public Hearing Drainage Tax rate**

**Fort Bend County Budget Public Hearing Notice**



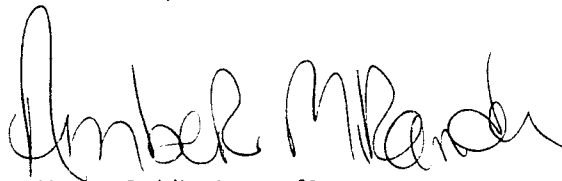
Seshadri Kumar

Publisher

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME by Seshadri Kumar who

- (a) Is personally known to me, or
- (b) Provided the following evidence to establish his/ her identity,
- (c)

On this the 24<sup>th</sup> day September, 2009, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

Notary Public, State of Texas

## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Fort Bend County Drainage will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 28.54 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even 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 first public hearing will be held on October 2, 2009 at 6:00 PM at Fort Bend County Commissioners Court, William B. Travis Bldg., 309 South Fourth Street, Richmond, Texas 77469,.

The second public hearing will be held on October 6, 2009 at 1:00 PM at Fort Bend County Commissioners Court, William B. Travis Bldg., 309 South Fourth Street, Richmond, Texas 77469.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

<b>FOR:</b>	County Judge Robert Hebert	Commissioner Richard Morrison, Prct. 1
	Commissioner James Prestage, Prct. 2	Commissioner Andy Meyers, Prct. 3
	Commissioner James Patterson, Prct. 4	
<b>AGAINST:</b>	none	
<b>PRESENT and not voting:</b>	none	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	none	

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Fort Bend County Drainage last year was \$153,004. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.01600 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$24.48.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Fort Bend County Drainage this year is \$156,873. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.01615 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$25.33

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.02076 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$32.57.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED 2010 BUDGET FOR FORT BEND COUNTY

The Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County will conduct two public hearings on the Proposed 2010 Budget for Fort Bend County. The Public Hearings will be held before the Commissioners Court at:

**TIME/DATE: 6:00 PM MONDAY  
OCTOBER 19, 2009**

**AND**

**1:00 PM TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 20, 2009**

**PLACE: COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM  
WILLIAM B. TRAVIS BUILDING**

**309 SOUTH FOURTH STREET, 7TH FLOOR, RICHMOND, TEXAS**

All interested persons have the right to give written and oral comments and to ask questions about the proposed budgets.

The proposed budgets will be filed for public inspection at the Office of the County Clerk (Research Dept.), 301 Jackson Street, Richmond, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday and Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday beginning Tuesday, October 13, 2009. The proposed budget will also be posted on the County's website at [www.co.fort-bend.tx.us](http://www.co.fort-bend.tx.us) beginning Tuesday, October 13, 2009.