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The Honorable  
Robert E. Helbert  
General Fund

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COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Todd Frantz who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Publisher of *Fort Bend Herald* and that said newspaper meets the requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

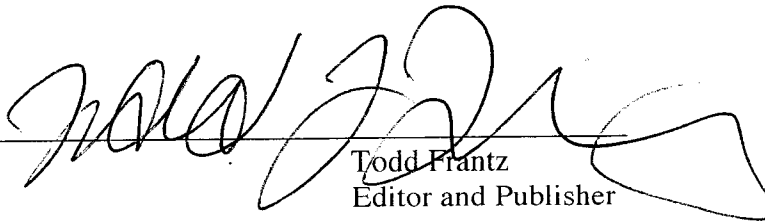
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2. it is published at least once each week;
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4. it has been published regularly and continuously since 1959.
5. it is generally circulated within Fort Bend County.

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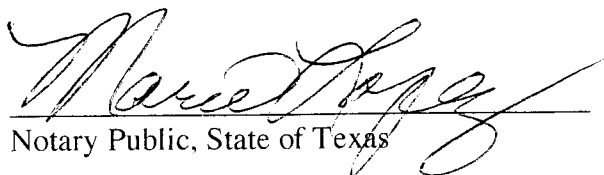
  
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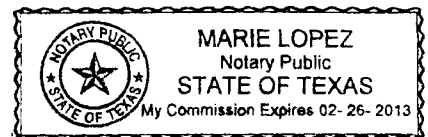
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Frantz who

X a) is personally known to me, or

\_\_\_\_\_ b) provided the following evidence to establish  
his/her identity, \_\_\_\_\_

on this the 11th day of September, A.D. 2009, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

  
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 Notary Public, State of Texas



**2009 Property Tax Rates in Fort Bend County General Fund**

This notice concerns 2009 property tax rates for Fort Bend County General Fund. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Special Road/ Bridge Fund</b>
Last year's operating taxes	\$149,844,408	\$14,809,964
Last year's debt taxes	\$18,396,102	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$168,240,510	\$14,809,964
Last year's tax base	\$37,844,275,238	\$37,780,520,408
Last year's total tax rate	0.44456 /\$100	0.03920 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$165,018,804	\$14,707,961
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$37,408,886,469	\$38,000,526,359
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.44112 /\$100	0.03870 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.47982 /\$100	

*(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)*

**This year's rollback tax rate:**

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$147,526,204	\$14,707,961
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$37,408,886,469	\$38,000,526,359
= This year's effective operating rate	0.39436 /\$100	0.03870 /\$100
<b>x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating</b>	0.42590 /\$100	0.04179 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.05899 /\$100	0.00000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.48489 /\$100	0.04179 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.52668 /\$100	

**Statement of Increase/Decrease**

If Fort Bend County General Fund adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.47982 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2008 taxes by \$4,097,845.

**Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

<b>Type of Property Tax Fund</b>	<b>Balance</b>
GENERAL FUND	\$35,283,658
INTEREST & SINKING	\$4,096,685

**Schedule B: General Fund - 2009 Debt Service**

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

<b>Description of Debt</b>	<b>Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes</b>	<b>Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes</b>	<b>Other Amounts to be Paid</b>	<b>Total Payment</b>
FBFCWSC 2001	\$160,000	\$521,618	\$2,000	\$683,618
Perm. Improv. Refunding 2003	\$3,850,000	\$350,875	\$2,000	\$4,202,875
Mobility 2001	\$2,050,000	\$1,165,425	\$2,000	\$3,217,425
Mobility 2006	\$1,070,000	\$1,290,956	\$2,000	\$2,362,956
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Facilities Construction 2007	\$0	\$6,181,525	\$2,000	\$6,183,525
Justice Center Construction 2009	\$305,000	\$3,506,988	\$2,000	\$3,813,988
Mobility 2009	\$1,610,000	\$2,164,475	\$2,000	\$3,776,475
Total Required for 2009 Debt Service				\$26,155,041
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$3,171,663
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2009				\$22,983,378
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2009				\$0
= Total Debt Levy				\$22,983,378

**Schedule A: Special Road/Bridge Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Road & Bridge	\$5,081,600

**Schedule B: Special Road/Bridge Fund - 2009 Debt Service**

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Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Enter Text Here	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Required for 2009 Debt Service				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2009				\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2009				\$0
= Total Debt Levy				\$0

**Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures**

The Fort Bend County General Fund spent \$4,109,127 from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$779,446.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 1317 Eugene Heimann Circle, Richmond, Texas 77469.

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Date Prepared: September 7, 2009