

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

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 **Fort Bend Independent** and that said newspaper meets the requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

1. It devotes not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of its total column lineage to general interest items;
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 2008. It is generally circulated within Fort Bend County.
5. Publisher further deposes and says that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date(s) to wit:

Aug. 30, 2017: Notice of 2017 proposed property tax rate for Fort Bend County
Drainage district

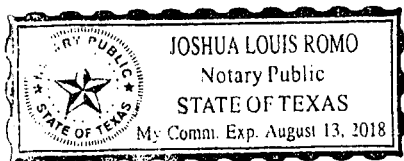


Seshadri Kumar
Publisher

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,

On this the 1st day of September, 2017, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.



Notary Public, State of Texas



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NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR FORT BEND COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT

A tax rate of \$0.016000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of Fort Bend County Drainage District. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of Fort Bend County Drainage District proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of maintaining existing drainage channels through appropriate structural repairs and vegetation control and for review of drainage plans of new development due to a rapidly growing population of Fort Bend County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.016000 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.016000 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.015517 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.016758 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Fort Bend County Drainage District from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that Fort Bend County Drainage District may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Patsy Schultz, Fort Bend County Drainage District Tax Assessor-Collector

1317 Eugene Heimann Circle, Richmond, TX 77469

281-341-3710

Patsy.Schultz@fortbendcountytexas.gov; www.fortbendcountytexas.gov

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First Hearing: **September 13, 2017 at 5:30 PM** at Fort Bend County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom, 401 Jackson St, Richmond, TX 77469.

Second Hearing: **September 26, 2017 at 1:00 PM** at Fort Bend County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom, 401 Jackson St, Richmond, TX 77469.