

AGENDA

CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 400 PORTER STREET

SEPTEMBER 6, 2018, 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE A QUORUM

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

1. Conduct second Public Hearing on tax rate for FY 2018/2019 (Rosemarie Dennis)

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

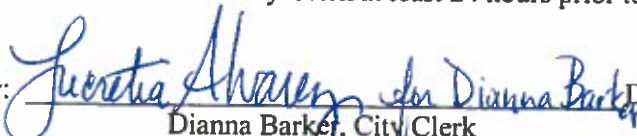
1. Consideration and Possible Action on Bid Award for the construction of the Pierce Park [Skate Park] (Kelly Kaatz)
2. Street Maintenance Update and Discussion (Jim Gray)

ADJOURN

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this Agenda. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act including: Section 551.071 (Consult with attorney); Section 551.072 (Real Property); Section 551.073 (Gifts and Donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Section 551.076 (Security Devices); and Section 551.087 (Economic Development). I certify that the notice of meeting was posted in the Taylor City Hall Lobby before 6:00 p.m. on August 31, 2018 and remained posted for at least 72 hours continuously before the scheduled time of said meeting. I further certify that the following news media was notified of this meeting: Taylor Press.

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Posted By:

 Date 8-31-18
Dianna Barker, City Clerk



***City Council Meeting
September 6, 2018
Agenda Item Transmittal***

STRATEGIC PILLAR

☒ Streets/Infrastructure

☒ Quality of Life

☒ Economic Vitality

Agenda Item #: 1

Agenda Title: Conduct a Public Hearing regarding fixing and levying the Ad Valorem tax rate for fiscal year 2018-19.

Council Action to be taken: Conduct Public Hearing and announce:

“The adoption of the tax rate will be voted on September 13, 2018, at 6:00 pm and the meeting will be held at 400 Porter Street, Taylor, Texas, in the City Council Chambers.”

Department Submitted: Finance Department

Staff Contact: Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director

1. PURPOSE/DESCRIPTION

In the Truth-in-Taxation laws, if the proposed tax rate is higher than the effective rate then the governing body is required to hold two public hearings to give the taxpayers an opportunity to express their views on the increase at these public hearings. The proposed tax rate is set for approval at \$0.788, which is higher than the effective tax rate of \$0.752537. Tonight’s public hearing will fulfill the requirement under the law.

2. STAFF ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION (Why and How)

After receiving the certified appraisal roll from the chief appraiser, the effective tax rate, rollback tax rate and debt tax rate is calculated. The table below indicates the tax rates to include the current year.

	<u>FY2018-19</u>	<u>FY2017-18</u>
* Effective Tax Rate	\$0.752537	\$0.760881
* Rollback Tax Rate	\$0.809087	\$0.812572
Proposed Tax Rate	\$0.788000	\$0.798000
O & M Tax Rate	\$0.595998	\$0.601784
* Debt Tax Rate	\$0.192002	\$0.196216

* This rate is calculated by the Williamson County Tax Assessor

Publication of notice was published in the Taylor Press on August 15th and posted to the City's website and cable channel on these hearings to include the effective and rollback tax rates. At each hearing, the governing body must announce the date, time and place of the meeting at which it will vote on the tax rate.

Staff recommends that the City Council conduct the Public Hearing as prescribed by truth in taxation.

Required Announcement at the closing of the Public Hearing:

"The adoption of the tax rate will be voted on September 13, 2018, at 6:00 pm and the meeting will be held at 400 Porter Street, Taylor, Texas, in the City Council Chambers."

3. FUNDING SOURCE

Proposed Tax Rate: \$0.788

This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$511,745 or (8.5%) and of that amount \$182,323 is tax revenues to be raised from new property added to the roll this year.

4. TIMELINE CONSIDERATIONS

The governing body must follow a strict timetable once it holds these public hearings. The meeting to vote on the tax rate must take place no less than three days and no more than 14 days after the second public hearing.

5. PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN

Discussions on the tax rate and budget were held at regular City Council meetings on June 21st, June 28th, July 12th, and the upper limit of the ad valorem tax rate was established at the August 9, 2018 meeting. To include the first public hearing on the held on August 23rd.

6. OTHER OPTIONS (In order of preference)
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N/A

7. ATTACHMENTS

1a. [Tax Rate History Chart.](#)



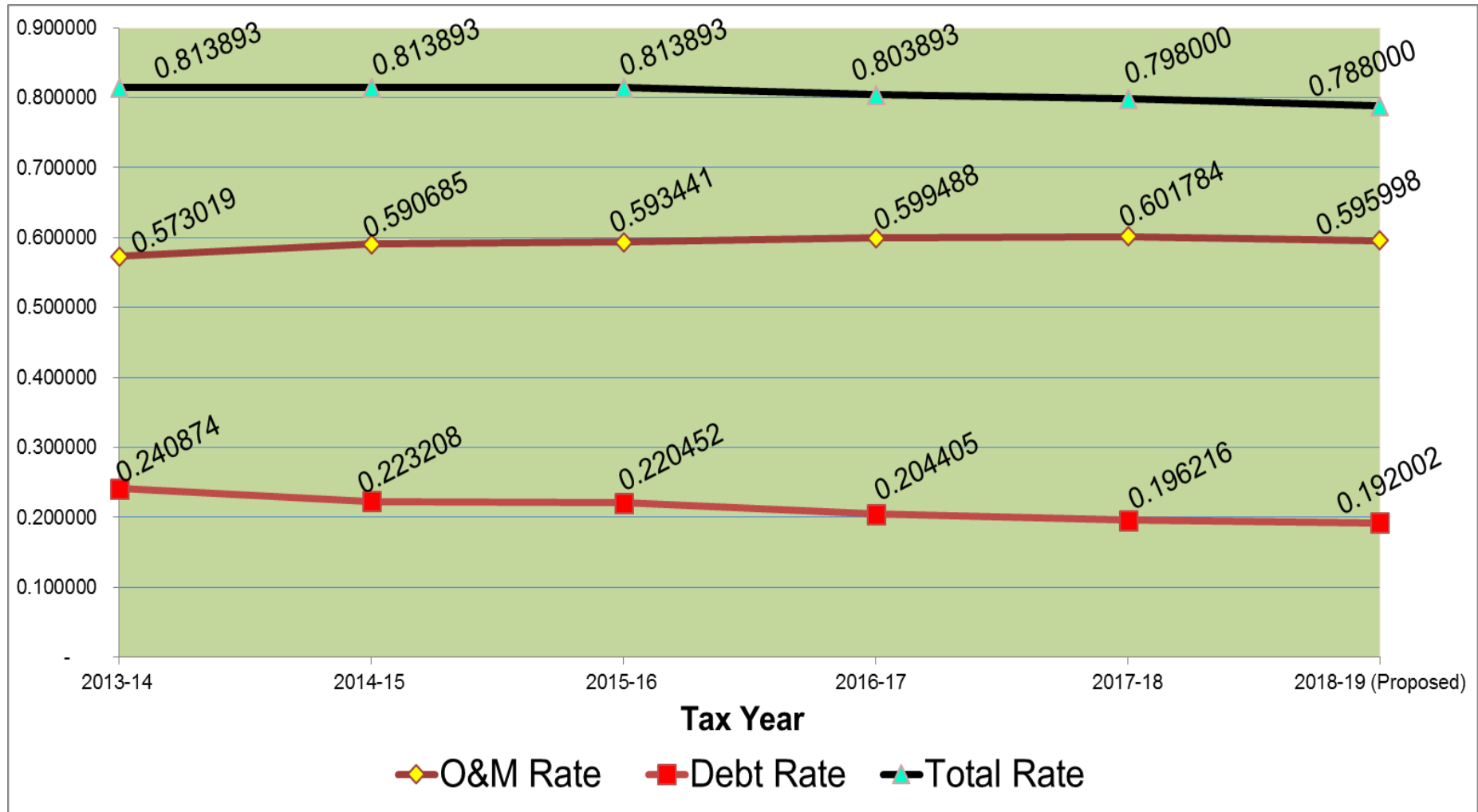
PUBLIC HEARING on the “TAX RATE”

2018 TAX RATE CALCULATION

- Effective Tax Rate: $\$0.752537/\100
- Rollback Tax Rate: $\$0.809087/\100
- Debt Tax Rate: $\$0.192002/\100

- Current Tax Rate: $\$0.798000/\100
- Proposed Tax Rate: $\$0.788000/\100

TAX RATE HISTORY CHART





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Agenda Item #: 2

Agenda Title: Consideration and Possible Action on Bid Award
for the construction of the Skate Park (Kelly Kaatz)

Council Action to be taken: Approval of award to the recommended contractor and
authorization for City Manager to enter into a contract.

Department Submitted: Public Works

Staff Contact: Jim Gray, Public Works Director
Kelly Kaatz, P.E., HDR Engineering, Inc.

1. PURPOSE/DESCRIPTION

This item is related to the completion of the Skate Park Project

2. STAFF ANALYSIS (Why and How)

The Skate Park construction bid documents were prepared and advertised for bids on August 19, 2018. Bids were opened on September 4. The results of the bids will be presented to the City Council.

3. RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval of award of the Skate Park Construction Project to the recommended contractor and authorization of the City Manager to enter into a contract with the recommended contractor to perform the work.

4. FUNDING SOURCE

Various sources including work that is eligible from Downtown Street Funds

5. TIMELINE

6/8/17 – Council awarded DB contract to Evergreen Skate Parks

11/9/17 – Council approved a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$412,000 for the Skate Park and drainage improvements associated with the Skate Park.

2/5/18 – Baird/Williams contracted to design perimeter improvements consisting of downtown street improvements and skate park improvements.

2/23/18 – Evergreen Skate Park Change Order 001 approved for rest of Skate Park improvements – BW directed to focus on downtown street improvement design.
3/8/18 – Substantial completion of Skate Park walk-through completed.

6. PRIOR COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN

6/8/17 – Council awarded DB contract to Evergreen Skate Parks
11/9/17 – Council approved a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$412,000 for the Skate Park and drainage improvements associated with the Skate Park.
3/22/18 – Council took no action on a change order to the Evergreen contract.
5/24/18 – Council approved proposal for Landscape Architecture design for Skate Park with Word+Carr Design Group.
7/12/18 – Council received an update on alternative concepts for the park area.
8/16/18 – Council received an update on Skate Park Project

7. OTHER OPTIONS (In order of preference)
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Reject all bids

8. ATTACHMENTS



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STRATEGIC PILLAR

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- ☐ Quality of Life
- ☐ Economic Vitality

Agenda Item #: 3

Agenda Title: Street Maintenance Update and Discussion

Council Action to be taken: Receive report and give staff direction

Department Submitted: Public Works Streets & Grounds

Staff Contact: Jim Gray, Public Works Director

1. PURPOSE/DESCRIPTION

Public Works Director Jim Gray will give Council a progress update on current street maintenance activity, and provide Council with the opportunity to ask questions and provide input.

2. STAFF ANALYSIS (Why and How)

This update will *not* include information about construction, CIP projects, and work being done by outside contractors. Rather, it will be a standard update on day-to-day activities and progress regarding regular maintenance of city streets by City staff. The presentation will include a brief update on completed road work at the City cemetery, and an update on pothole repairs.

3. RECOMMENDATION

Receive update and provide direction and guidance.

4. FUNDING SOURCE

General Fund

5. TIMELINE

N/A

6. PRIOR COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN

N/A

7. OTHER OPTIONS (In order of preference)
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N/A

8. ATTACHMENTS

N/A