



CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

August 27, 2013

SUBJECT: Hold a Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Rate

SUBMITTED BY: Janina Jewell, Director of Finance

REFERENCE NO:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed ad valorem tax rate of \$0.47 per \$100 of assessed value for the tax year 2013.

ALTERNATIVES:

- Required process in accordance with Truth-in-Taxation guidelines.

SUMMARY OF SUBJECT:

Excerpt from "2013 Truth-in-Taxation" booklet from Susan Combs, Comptroller of Public Accounts:

Chapter 1 "Truth-in-Taxation Overview" Step 3:

"When a proposed rate exceeds the rollback rate or the effective rate, whichever is lower, the taxing unit's governing body, other than a small taxing unit or water district, must vote to place a proposal to adopt the rate on the agenda of a future meeting as an action item. This vote must be recorded. The proposal must specify the desired rate. A taxing unit cannot vote to adopt a proposal to increase taxes by an unspecified amount.

If the motion passes, the governing body must schedule two public hearings on the proposal. The hearings must take place within the boundaries of the taxing unit; on a weekday that is not a holiday; and in a public building or, if a public building is not available, in a building normally open to the public. The second hearing may not be held earlier than the third day after the date of the first hearing."

The proposed tax rate for FY2013-2014 is remaining unchanged from prior year at \$0.47 per \$100 of assessed value. Individual taxes may be affected by a change in property value.

The City of Euless has held the tax rate at \$0.47 per \$100 of assessed value since FY2008, and has either lowered or held the tax rate steady since 1995.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Revenue Sources:

Expenditure Accounts:

Budgeted Fiscal Year(s): 2013-2014

Estimated Expenditure:

Over/Under Projection By:

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- Publication Notice

APPROVED BY:

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