

**August 20, 2019**  
**City Council**  
**Workshop Meeting**  
**7:30 p.m.**



Julie Masters, Mayor  
Charles Suderman, Mayor Pro Tem  
Sean Skipworth  
Walter Wilson

**AGENDA**  
City of Dickinson  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL WORKSHOP**  
**MEETING**

Wally Deats  
Louis Decker  
William H. King III  
Chris Heard, City Administrator

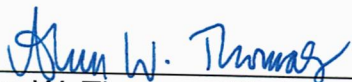
**August 20, 2019**

**NOTICE** is hereby given of a **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING** of the City Council for the City of Dickinson, County of Galveston, State of Texas, to be held on **TUESDAY, August 20, 2019, at 7:30 p.m.** at: 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas 77539 for the purpose of considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Dickinson, Texas, reserves the right to meet in a closed session on any of the below items should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

- ITEM 1.) CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM**
- ITEM 2.) BRIEFING, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Consider Proposing a Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2019, and Ending September 30, 2020.
- ITEM 3.) BRIEFING, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING:** FY 2019-2020 Proposed Budget.
- ITEM 4.) ADJOURN**

**CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that a copy of the Notice of the City Council Workshop Meeting for **Tuesday, August 20, 2019**, was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall, 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas, on this the 16th day of August, 2019, prior to 7:30 p.m.

  
Alun W. Thomas, City Secretary



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# **ITEM 1**

**Call to Order and  
Certification of a  
Quorum**

**CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
ATTENDANCE LIST**

**MEETING DATE: August 20, 2019  
Workshop Meeting**

<b><u>MAYOR/COUNCIL</u></b>	<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
MAYOR JULIE MASTERS	_____	_____
POS. 1: COUNCILMEMBER CHARLES SUDERMAN	_____	_____
POS. 2: COUNCILMEMBER SEAN SKIPWORTH	_____	_____
POS. 3: COUNCILMEMBER WALTER WILSON	_____	_____
POS. 4: COUNCILMEMBER WALLY DEATS	_____	_____
POS. 5: COUNCILMEMBER LOUIS DECKER	_____	_____
POS. 6: COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAM KING	_____	_____
<b><u>ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b>		
City Attorney David W. Olson	_____	_____
City Administrator Chris Heard	_____	_____
Interim Finance Director Sandra Clarkson	_____	_____
City Secretary Alun W. Thomas	_____	_____
Director of Community Dev. Zachary Meadows	_____	_____
Interim Public Works Director Ronald Sullivan	_____	_____
Police Chief Ron Morales	_____	_____
EMS Director Derek Hunt	_____	_____
Fire Marshal Burt Heddles	_____	_____
Court Administrator Irma Rivera	_____	_____
Library Director Julianne Lane	_____	_____
Bayou Animal Services Manager Sarah Saunders	_____	_____
Intern Gethorio Davidson	_____	_____

# **WORKSHOP ITEM 2**

**Dickinson City Council  
Agenda Item Data Sheet**

**MEETING DATE:** August 20, 2019

**TOPIC:** Consider Proposing a Tax Rate for The Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2019, and Ending September 30, 2020

**BACKGROUND:** Chapter 26 of the Property Tax Code requires municipalities to comply with truth-in-taxation laws in adopting their tax rates. The laws are designed to make taxpayers aware of tax rate proposals and to allow taxpayers, in certain cases, to roll back or limit a tax increase.

A taxing unit (the City) is required to hold two public hearings and publish newspaper ads before adopting a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback rate or the effective tax rate. *The rate published in the notice of the proposed tax rate does not mean that the City must adopt that exact rate. The published rate is the maximum rate the City can adopt without going through the notice and hearing routine again.*

The table below details the City's Tax Year 2019 Effective Tax Rate, the Rollback Rate and Net Taxable Value. It also illustrates the additional M & O revenue to be generated by the listed tax rate increases.

2019 Effective Tax Rate	\$0.403835/100
2019 Rollback Rate	\$0.443832/100
Net Taxable Value	\$ 907,440,149
<u>Additional Expected Levy</u>	
1-Cent Up	\$ 90,744
2-Cents Up	\$ 181,488
3-Cents Up	\$ 272,232
3.5-Cents Up	\$ 317,604
@ Rollback Rate	\$ 362,949

The City Council is required to fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and to publish a notice in the official newspaper of the City, as required by law. In addition, the Notice of Public Hearing on the approval of the Budget and the setting of the tax rate must be published on the City's webpage for the entire period until the hearings are complete.

**ACTIONS TAKEN**

<b>APPROVAL</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<b>READINGS PASSED</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <sup>st</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <sup>nd</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>OTHER</b>
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The City Council can approve the recommendation, amend it, or approve another proposal on another date. However, a tax rate must be proposed to comply with the statutory requirements concerning the levying and assessing of property taxes.

Should the Council choose to propose a tax rate above the effective rate, staff recommends holding the first Public Hearing on August 27, 2018 at 7:00 pm; the Second Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate on September 3, 2018 (Special Meeting) at 6:00 pm and the adoption of the Tax Rate and Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget on September 10, 2019 At 7:00; with such meetings to be held Dickinson City Hall, located at 4403 State Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends proposing a tax rate below the Effective and Rollback Rates.

**ATTACHMENTS:** • 2018 Tax Rate Comparisons for Galveston County

**FUNDING ISSUES:**

- Not applicable – no dollars are being spent or received.
- Full amount already budgeted in Acct/Project# \_\_\_\_\_
- The proposed 2019 tax rate will impact the amount of property tax revenues included in the FY2019-2020 General Fund Budget.

**FINANCE VERIFICATION OF FUNDING:**  
Sandy Clarkson

<p><b>SUBMITTING STAFF MEMBER:</b> Sandy Clarkson, Interim Finance Director</p>	<p><b>CITY ADMINISTRATOR APPROVAL:</b></p>
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<b>ACTIONS TAKEN</b>		
<b>APPROVAL</b>	<b>READINGS PASSED</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <sup>st</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <sup>nd</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	

2018  
Galveston County Tax Rates-Exemptions

	ENTITIES	Tax Rate	Optional %	w/ minimum	Homestead	Over-65	Disabled P.
S10	Galveston ISD	1.155000	20%	5,000	Frz	25,000	10,000
S11	Dickinson ISD	1.520000			Frz	25,000	10,000
S12	Friendswood ISD	1.367000			Frz	25,000	20,000
S13	High Island ISD	1.320000	5%	5,000	Frz	25,000	16,000
S14	Hitchcock ISD	1.520000			Frz	25,000	10,000
S16	Clear Creek ISD	1.400000	5%	5,000	Frz	25,000	28,330
S17	Santa Fe ISD	1.402300			Frz	25,000	10,000
S18	Texas City ISD	1.514900	20%	5,000	Frz	25,000	20,900
C30	City of Galveston	0.561000	20%	5,000	Frz		15,000
C31	City of Texas City	0.550000	20%	5,000	Frz		20,000
C32	City of La Marque	0.490764			Frz		20,000
C33	City of Hitchcock	0.500000			Frz		37,500
C34	City of Jamaica Beach	0.197135			Frz		
C36	City of Dickinson	0.455000			Frz		10,000
C37	City of Friendswood	0.532391	20%	5,000	Frz		25,000
C38	City of Kemah	0.202838	20%	5,000			150,000
C40	City of League City	0.563800	20%	5,000	Frz		45,000
C46	City of Clear Lake Shores	0.000000	20%	5,000	Frz		100,000
C54	City of Santa Fe	0.326200			Frz		15,000
C56	Village of Tiki Island	0.319150	20%	5,000	Frz		10,000
C58	City of Bayou Vista	0.385000	20%	5,000	Frz		10,000
D01	GC Drainage District No. 1	0.087000					20,000
D02	GC Drainage District No. 2	0.056400					25,000
D08	GC Consolidated Drainage District	0.108000					25,000
F01	GC Emergency Services Dist. No.1	0.085000					10,000
F02	GC Emergency Services Dist. No.2	0.083741	20%	5,000			10,000
GGA	<b>GALVESTON COUNTY</b>	0.529831	20%	5,000	Frz		60,000
RFL	Galveston County Road and Flood	0.002067	20%	5,000		3,000	60,000
J01	Galveston College	0.175190	20%	5,000			10,000
J05	College of the Mainland	0.212755	20%	5,000	Frz		24,000
M04	Bacliff MUD	0.331174					10,000
M05	Bayview MUD	0.150000					50,000
M07	San Leon MUD	0.450000	10%	5,000			10,000
M08	Galveston County MUD No. 6	0.250000					25,000
M09	GC Fresh Water Supply Dist. No. 6	0.215354	20%	5,000			10,000
M12	Galveston County MUD No. 12	0.239511	20%	5,000			10,000
M14	Galveston County MUD No. 14	0.680000					20,000
M15	Galveston County MUD No. 15	0.510000					
M18	Tara Glen MUD	0.490000					30,000
M19	Westwood Management District	1.000000					
M20	Flamingo Isles MUD	0.570000					
M21	Galveston Co Management Dist #1	0.950000					
M22	Bay Colony West MUD	1.000000					10,000
M27	South Shore Harbour MUD No. 7	0.390000					48,000
M30	Galveston County MUD No. 30	0.250000					75,000
M31	Galveston County MUD No. 31	0.900000					10,000
M32	Galveston County MUD No. 32	0.750000					
M33	West Ranch Management Dist. #1	0.450000					
M39	Galveston County MUD No. 39	0.610000					10,000
M43	Galveston County MUD No. 43	0.730000					48,000
M44	Galveston County MUD No. 44	0.800000					10,000
M45	Galveston County MUD No. 45	0.930000					10,000
M46	Galveston County MUD No. 46	0.870000					20,000
M52	Galveston County MUD No. 52	1.500000					
M54	Galveston County MUD No. 54	0.540000					
M56	Galveston County MUD No. 56	1.000000					
M66	Galveston County MUD No. 66	1.000000					
M68	Galveston County MUD No. 68	0.915000					
N01	GC Navigation District No. 1	0.042922	20%	5,000			10,000
W01	WCID No. 1	0.128011					25,000
W02	WCID No. 8	0.291300	20%	5,000			10,000
W03	WCID No. 12	0.260000	20%	5,000			45,000
W04	WCID No. 19	0.480000					0



# **WORKSHOP**

## **ITEM 3**

# **WORKSHOP ITEM 4**

**Adjourn**