

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2023-05
AN ORDER
BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
HEMPHILL COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ADOPTING A TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Texas created the HEMPHILL COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (the "District") pursuant to the Act of May 19, 1995, 74th Leg., R.S., ch. 157, 1995 Tex. Gen. Laws 1007, as amended by Act of May 12, 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., ch. 208, 2017 Tex. Gen. Laws 388, now codified at Chapter 8894, Special District Local Laws Code (TEX. SPEC. DIST. LOCAL LAWS CODE §§ 8894.001-.0102) (the "Act");

WHEREAS, the creation of the District was confirmed by an election held for such purpose within the District on November 4, 1997;

WHEREAS, the District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and is governed by Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code (TEX. SPEC. DIST. LOCAL LAWS CODE § 8894.0101);

WHEREAS, Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code authorizes the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes for the maintenance and operating expenses of the District at a rate not to exceed 50 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation (TEX. WATER CODE § 36.201(b));

WHEREAS, Chapter 26 of the Texas Tax Code allows a small taxing unit – for which the total tax rate proposed for the current tax year: (1) is 50 cents or less per \$100 of taxable value; and (2) would impose taxes of \$500,000 or less when applied to the current total value for the taxing unit – to provide public notice pursuant to TEX. TAX CODE § 26.052(c) by either (1) mailing a notice of the proposed tax rate to each owner of taxable property in the taxing unit; or (2) publishing notice of the proposed tax rate in the legal notices section of a newspaper having general circulation in the taxing unit, and such notice has been provided;

WHEREAS, an election was called for May 2, 1998, by order of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the District dated February 3, 1998, for the purpose, among other things, of authorizing the District to levy and collect ad valorem taxes for maintenance and administrative expenses of the District and establishment and approval of an ad valorem tax rate for such taxes;

WHEREAS, the election was held and conducted and returns made to the Board of the District in accordance with the applicable provision of the Texas Election Code, as amended, the Texas Water Code, as amended, the Act, and in accordance with the Board's February 3, 1998 order;

WHEREAS, it was, on May 5, 1998, ordered and declared by the Board that the resident, qualified voters of the District did, by a majority of those resident, qualified voters voting in the May 2, 1998 election, vote in favor of authorizing the District to levy property taxes at a rate of 3.5 cents (\$.035) per hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation for administrative expenses of the District and for the maintenance of the District;

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed data setting forth the estimated administrative budgetary requirements of the District and finds that the estimated budgetary requirements of the District for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 are \$366,540.00;

WHEREAS, the Board of the District deemed it necessary and advisable on this date, September 6, 2023, to adopt an annual budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 and did so pursuant to a separate vote;

WHEREAS, a meeting of the Board was held on September 6, 2023, at the regular meeting place of the District in Hemphill County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Meeting of the Board at which the adoption of a tax rate was noted as an agenda item was duly and properly posted and provided pursuant to Chapter 551 of Texas Government Code.

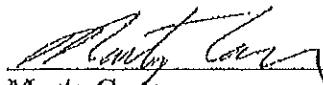
NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HEMPHILL COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AFFIRMATIVELY FINDS THAT:


1. The total certified taxable value of property within the boundaries of the Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District is \$1,656,114,504 and the Adjusted Taxable Value is \$1,651,427,214;
2. For the period October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, the estimated total receipts to the District from the authorized administrative and maintenance tax established at an ad valorem tax rate of \$0.022268 per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the total certified taxable valuation is \$350,344.41; and
3. These receipts are reasonably necessary for the expenses related to the operation and maintenance of the District, and it is in the public interest that the District establishes the aforementioned tax rate.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HEMPHILL COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT THAT:

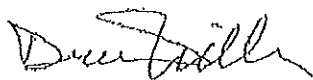
- Section 1. The tax rate for the authorized administrative and maintenance tax for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 is adopted and established at \$0.022268 per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation.
- Section 2. THIS TAX RATE WILL NOT RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.
- Section 3. If any provision, section, sentence, clause or phrase of this order is held for any reason to be invalid, such invalid portion shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this order.

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS 6TH day of September, 2023.


Marty Carr
President
Hemphill County Underground
Water Conservation District


Elizabeth Light
Secretary
Hemphill County Underground
Water Conservation District

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Drew Miller
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