

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE
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TO: THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 47 IN OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND TO ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

A governmental body may hold an open meeting by telephone conference call or video conference if: (1) an emergency or public necessity exists within the meaning of Section 551.045 of the Texas Government Code; and (2) the convening at one location of a quorum of the governmental body is difficult or impossible. The current COVID-19 pandemic and the public proclamations by federal, state, and local governmental officials in 2020 and 2021 ordering persons to stay at home and prohibiting certain gatherings of people constitutes both an emergency and a public necessity.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Government Codes Section 551.001, 551.045, 551.054, and 551.125, as amended, that the Board of Commissioners of Harris County Emergency Services District No.47 will hold its regular monthly meeting, open to the public, at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 2021.** Because of health concerns and social distancing requirements, Commissioners and members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting, have the option to participate either in person or via telephone conference call.

For persons desiring to attend the meeting in person, the meeting will be held at the District Fire Station located at **19636 Saums, Houston, Texas 77084,** inside the boundaries of the District.

Persons desiring to participate in the meeting may access the telephone conference call by **calling 346-248-7799 and entering the meeting id: 823 3261 0012** when prompted to do so.

As a courtesy, and only as a courtesy, Commissioners and members of the general public may also participate in the meeting via Zoom video conference (using the video provisions of Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code) by going to the following internet site on a computer, tablet, iPad, smart phone, or other mobile device: **[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/823 3261 0012](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82332610012)**; however, the designated and primary methods for participation is either in person at the District's Fire Station or by telephone conference call pursuant to Chapter 551.125 of the Texas Government Code.

In accordance with Section 551.125 and 551.127, the meeting will be recorded; and a copy of the recording will be available to the general public within a few days after the teleconference ends.

At this meeting of the District, which is open to the public, the Commissioners will consider and act upon the following matters:

1. **Confirmation of Emergency Status:** Discussion of current events to determine whether or not an emergency exists and to confirm compliance with applicable statutes for open meetings and for emergencies.
2. **Review Electronic Meeting Protocols:** Discuss provisions of Texas Government Code 551 and associated requirements for open meetings held via telephone conference and via video conference.
3. **Discussion of 2021 Tax Levy.** Review and discuss District's Certified Tax Roll, the District's 2022 Budget, and the various tax rates required by Truth In Taxation laws related to establishing the District's 2021 tax rate.
4. **Public Comment:** To receive comment from members of the public (By District policy, speakers under this item are limited to five minutes for their presentation and comments, whether their intended comments relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda or to other matters).

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