

**FARMERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA
September 3, 2013, 6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, City Hall
205 S. Main Street**

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- Call to Order, Roll Call, Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
- Welcome guests and visitors: Anyone wanting to speak on any items that are not the subject of a Public Hearing on this agenda is asked to speak at this time, with an individual time limit of 3 minutes. This forum is limited to a total of 30 minutes. Please note that the City Council cannot comment or take any action on this item.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Second Public Hearing to receive public comment on the Proposed 2013 Property Tax Rate for the City of Farmersville

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Section 551.071, **CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY**, and Section 551.086, **COMPETITIVE MATTERS OF A PUBLIC POWER UTILITY**

1. Consultation with City Attorney regarding and consideration, discussion and possible action regarding competitive matters of the City-owned public power utility as allowed by Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code for purposes of maintaining the confidentiality of certain information relating to competitive electric utility matters engaged in or to be engaged in by the City of Farmersville.

- B. Section 551.071, **CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY**, and Section 551.072, **DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY**

1. Consultation with City Attorney regarding and consideration, discussion and possible action regarding real property

IV. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Competitive matters of a public power utility
- B. Deliberation regarding real property

V. REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Dated this the 29th day of August, 2013.

Joseph E. Helmberger, P.E., Mayor

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development), 418.175-183 (Deliberations about Homeland Security Issues) and as authorized by the Texas Tax Code, including, but not limited to, Section 321.3022 (Sales Tax Information).

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the City Secretary at 972-782-6151 or Fax 972-782-6604 at least two (2) working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Handicap Parking is available in the front and rear parking lot of the building.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted in the regular posting place of the City Hall building for Farmersville, Texas, in a place and manner convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted August 29, 2013 by 5:00 P.M. and remained so posted continuously at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting.



Edie Sims, City Secretary





TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: City Manager Ben White

DATE: September 3, 2013

SUBJECT: Second Public Hearing to to receive public comment on the Proposed 2013 Property Tax Rate for the City of Farmersville

ACTION:

- a) **Open the Public Hearing and call the time.**
- b) **Ask for anyone to come forward and speak who is FOR the proposed 2013 Property Tax Rate**
- c) **Ask for anyone to come forward and speak who OPPOSE the proposed 2013 Property Tax Rate**
- d) **Close the Public Hearing and call the time.**
- e) **No action by the Council is required.**

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The City of Farmersville will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 2.70 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 27, 2013 at 6:00 pm at City of Farmersville, City Hall Council Chambers, 205 S. Main, Farmersville, TX 75442.

The second public hearing will be held on September 3, 2013 at 6:00 pm at City of Farmersville, City Hall Council Chambers, 205 S. Main, Farmersville, TX 75442.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR:

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Farmersville last year was \$90,663. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.697500 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$632.37.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Farmersville this year is \$91,215. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.679137 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$619.47.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.697500 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$636.22.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

NOTICE OF TAX REVENUE INCREASE

The City of Farmersville conducted public hearings on August 27, 2013 and September 3, 2013 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Farmersville from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 2.70 percent.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$0.697500 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,018,298.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.697500 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,042,744.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.697500 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,052,768.

The Farmersville City Council of City of Farmersville is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 10, 2013 at City Hall Council Chambers, 205 S. Main, Farmersville, TX 75442 at 6:00 pm.