NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.5358775 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of MARION COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.5358775 per \$100 NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$0.5066820 per \$100 VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$0.6198510 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for MARION COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that MARION COUNTY may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that MARION COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 26, 2024 AT 9:30 AM AT JUISTICE COURT ROOM, 114 W AUSTIN ST 2ND FLOOR, JEFFERSON, TX.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, MARION COUNTY is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the COMMISSIONER'S COURT of MARION COUNTY at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal: Leward Lafleur, County Judge J. R. Ashley, Commissioner Pct. 1

Jacob Pattison, Commissioner Pct. 2 Gered Lee, Commissioner Pct. 4

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT: Ralph Meisenheimer, Commissioner

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Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by MARION

COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by MARION COUNTY this year.

	2023	2024	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.5222938	\$0.5358775	increase of 0.0135837 per \$100, or 2.60%
Average homestead taxable value	\$110,090	\$112,000	increase of 1.73%
Tax on average homestead	\$574.99		increase of 25.19, or 4.38%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$4,180,732		increase of 349,580, or 8.36%

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures

The MARION COUNTY spent \$92,753 from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure and to fund the operations of a public defender's office under Article 26.044, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$11,032. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.0005010/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for MARION COUNTY at 903-665-3281 or karen.jones@co.marion.tx.us, or visit www.marioncountytaxoffice.com for more information.