

NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Rockdale County Board of Commissioners (BOC) has tentatively adopted a 2021 millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 7.94 percent. This tentative increase will result in a millage rate of 18.016 mills, an increase of 1.326 mills. Without this tentative tax increase, the millage rate will be no more than 16.69 mills. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of \$100,000 is approximately \$33.15 and the proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$300,000 is approximately \$159.12.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §48-5-32, public hearings relative to the millage rate will be held. The hearing details are as follows:

- Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall located at 901 Main Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012. (Board Meeting to Follow)

- Public Hearing: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Assembly Hall located at 901 Main Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012.

- Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Hall located at 901 Main Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012. (Board Meeting to Follow)

Further, the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners will hold a Called Meeting to set the millage rate on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (or following the public hearing) in the Assembly Hall located at 901 Main Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012. (Board Meeting to Follow)

CURRENT 2021 TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

(\$ in 1,000s)

<u>COUNTY WIDE</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Real & Personal	2,323,248	2,436,480	2,667,125	2,862,970	3,213,500	3,525,747
Motor Vehicles	86,580	64,396	49,581	40,312	34,392	27,560
Mobile Homes	2,027	2,019	2,269	2,308	2,208	2,292
Timber-100%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heavy Duty Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Digest Total	2,411,855	2,502,895	2,718,975	2,905,590	3,250,100	3,555,599
Less M&O Exemptions	416,759	415,582	428,044	432,138	432,500	451,554
Net M&O Digest	1,995,096	2,087,313	2,290,931	2,473,452	2,817,600	3,104,045
Gross M&O Millage	20.19	20.19	20.19	20.19	18.016	18.016
Less Rollbacks	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net M&O Millage	20.19	20.19	20.19	20.19	18.016	18.016
Net Taxes Levied	40,281	42,143	46,254	49,939	50,762	55,922
Net Taxes \$ Increase		1,862	4,111	3,685	823	5,161
Net Taxes % Increase		4.6	9.8	8.0	1.6	10.2

PUBLIC NOTICE: The Rockdale County Board of Commissioners does hereby announce that the 2021 millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the Assembly Hall located at 901 Main Street, Conyers, GA 30012 on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. 48-5-32 do hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

Rockdale County Resolution #R-2021-_____

RESOLUTION TO LEVY TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Rockdale County, Georgia, annually establish the levy or millage rate for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Rockdale County, Georgia, intend by this resolution to establish the levy for Fiscal Year 2021 in the amount and for the purposes enumerated herein; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§33-8-8.1 and 33-8-8.2, Rockdale County has received an annual revenue in the cash amount of \$5,134,408.75 million in the form of a tax levied on gross direct premiums of insurance policies; and

WHEREAS, Rockdale County will utilize the proceeds of this tax in the unincorporated portion of the County solely for those purposes as outlined in O.C.G.A. § 33-8-8.3 in an amount corresponding to, or greater than, the revenues received; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined the total budget necessary for funding functions for general county purposes for Fiscal Year 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a tax is levied on all property in Rockdale County subject to taxation for general county purposes, to pay the operating expenses of county government including but not limited to the following functions: Public Works, Public Safety, General Government, Judiciary, Library, Health and Welfare and Other Miscellaneous Services provided for the benefit of the public and to pay principal and interest of any general debt of the County other than general county bonds as follows:

TAX LEVY FOR GENERAL COUNTY PURPOSES

General County - \$18.016 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation and no levy for bonds

TAX LEVY FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION

Furthermore, the Rockdale County Board of Education at a called meeting on _____, 2021 at ___ p.m., recommended a tax levy for 2021 of \$____ per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for general education purposes and no levy for school bonds is hereby adopted and levied.

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HOMESTEAD OPTION SALES TAX EXEMPTION

The HOST homestead exemption for Fiscal Year 2020 based upon the statutory provisions of Article II.A of Chapter VIII of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia is calculated to be seventy percent (70%) for Fiscal Year 2021.

Approved this _____ day of August, 2021

**ROCKDALE COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

By: _____
Osborn Nesbitt, Sr., Chairman

Attest:

Jennifer Rutledge, Director of Legislative Affairs
County Clerk