

2017 Property Tax Rates in the City of Mertens

This notice concerns 2017 property tax rates for the City of Mertens. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$10,561
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$10,561
Last year's tax base	\$4,579,438
Last year's total tax rate	0.230614/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$10,560
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$4,797,991
= This year's effective tax rate	0.220092/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$10,560
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$4,797,991
= This year's effective operating rate	0.220092/\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.237699/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.237699/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If the City of Mertens adopts a 2017 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.220092 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2016 taxes by \$ 180.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at HILL COUNTY TAX OFFICE, 80 N. WACO, COUNTY COURTHOUSE, P.O. BOX 412, HILLSBORO, TX 76645.

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