

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
CITY OF RIO HONDO  
COUNTY OF CAMERON**

Rick Tello, Commissioner Place 1  
Margaret Perez, Commissioner Place 3  
Joseph Lopez, Commissioner Place 5

Gerry Hartzog, Mayor Pro Tem  
Alonzo Garza, Commissioner Place 4

Gustavo Olivares  
Mayor

**Notice of a Special Meeting of the  
City Commission of the City of Rio Hondo  
September 29, 2020**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Tittle 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the governing body of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas will convene for a Special Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday September 29, 2020 at the **Civic Center** on the Second Floor of the Rio Hondo Municipal Building located at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd., Rio Hondo, Texas 78583.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**UNITED STATES PLEDGE**

**INVOCATION:**

**Regular Agenda:**

1. Mayor's and Commissioner's Report
2. Administrator's Report
3. **Public Comment Period: *Please Note- The Public Comment Period is designated for hearing concerns regarding City of Rio Hondo Public Policy or City of Rio Hondo business that is or is not on the Agenda or items listed on the agenda.***
4. Consideration and Acknowledgment regarding August financial report.
5. Consideration and Action on Second reading adopting the City of Rio Hondo, Texas budget and appropriating funds for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021. (Ben Medina, Administrator and Lucy Garza, Finance Manager)
6. Consideration and Action ratifying the property tax increase in the 2020-2021 Annual Budget of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas.
7. Consideration and Action on Ordinance 2020- 10 establishing and adopting the Ad Valorem Tax Rate of 0.826004 per \$100 for all taxable property with the City of Rio Hondo, Texas for fiscal

year Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021 and distributing the tax levy among the various funds, and providing for a lien on real and personal property to secure the payment of taxes assessed. (Ben Medina City Administrator)

## 8. Adjournment

Note: The City Commission for the City of Rio Hondo reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters, as authorized by Texas Government Code 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) and 551.086 (Economic Development).

***Note: The Meeting is accessible to Americans with Disabilities. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance, please call the City Secretary at (956) 748-2102, with at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.***

  
Gustavo Olivares

Mayor of the City of Rio Hondo

POSTED

I, City Secretary for the City of Rio Hondo, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting is a true and correct record and was posted in the bulletin board outside City Hall, and the bulletin board in the City Hall lobby, at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd, Rio Hondo, Texas 78583 and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

DATE:

TIME:

9/25/2020 4:00 pm

# Property Tax Ratification

# NOTICE ABOUT 2020 TAX RATES

**Property Tax Rates in CITY OF RIO HONDO**

This notice concerns the 2020 property tax rates for CITY OF RIO HONDO. This notice provides information about two tax rates. The no-new-revenue tax rate would impose the same amount of taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can adopt without holding an election. In each case, these rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of taxes by the current taxable value with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

This year's no-new-revenue tax rate:	\$0.817327
This year's voter-approval tax rate:	\$0.826004

**To see the full calculations, please visit 121 N ARROYO BLVD; RIO HONDO TX 78583 for a copy of the Tax Rate Calculation Worksheets.**

**Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the taxing unit's accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by corresponding debt obligation.

<b>Type of Fund</b>	<b>Balance</b>	
	<b>Current Year Debt Service</b>	

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from upcoming property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
2013 TWDB	65,000	31,327	0	96,327
2016 TWDB	15,000	3,654	0	18,654
USDA	16,000	1,800	0	17,800
				132,781
Total required for 2020 debt service				0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in unencumbered funds				0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				0
- Excess collections last year				0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2020				132,781
collect only 100.20% of its taxes in 2020				-265
= Total debt levy				132,515

This notice contains a summary of the no-new-revenue and voter-approval calculations as certified by **BEN MEDINA JR, CITY ADMINISTRATOR** on August 10, 2020.

# **Ordinance No 2020-10**

ORDINANCE NO 2020-10

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF RIO HONDO, TEXAS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1,2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 DISTRIBUTING THE TAX LEVY AMONG THE VARIOUS FUNDS, AND PROVIDING FOR A LIENON REAL AND PERSOAL PROPERTY TO SECURE THE PAYMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RIO HONDO, TEXAS.

Section 1. That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the maintenance and operation of the municipal government of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.826004 cents on each One Hundred Dollars (\$ 100) valuation on property.

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.**

Section 2. That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the City of Rio Hondo, Texas to provide for Interest and Sinking Funds for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year upon all property, real, personal property, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.227640 cents on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation on property.

SUMMARY

1. Maintenance and operations of the general government (General Fund)	\$0.598364
2. Interest and Sinking fund (Debt Rate)	<u>\$0.227640</u>
Total Tax per \$100 of valuation (Voter Approval Rate)	\$0.826004

That the City Administrator shall ensure that the City's home page of its internet website shall include the following statement: "**THE CITY OF RIO HONDO ADOPTED A TAX RATE THAT WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEARS TAX RATE.**"

Section 3. That all monies collected under this Ordinance for the specific items herein named, be and the same hereby appropriated and set apart for the specific purposes indicated in each item and the Assessor/Collector of Taxes, and the City Administrator shall keep these accounts so as to readily and distinctly show the amount collected, the amount expended and the amount on hand at any time belonging, to such funds. All receipts for the City not specifically apportioned are hereby made payable to the General fund.

Taxes levied under this Ordinance shall be due October 1, 2020 and if not paid on or before January 31, 2021 shall immediately become delinquent.

Section 4. All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the tax assessor and collector for the City of Rio Hondo is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and Ordinances of the City of Rio Hondo shall, by virtue of the tax rolls, fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real or personal, for the payment of said taxes, penalty and interest, and the interest and penalty collected from such delinquent taxes shall be appropriated to the General Fund of the City of Rio Hondo. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency at the rate prescribed by state law.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on October 1, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020.

APPROVED:

MAYOR: Gustavo Olivares

ATTEST:

City Administrator: Ben Medina, Jr.