

**SEABROOK CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2013 - 6:00 PM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SEABROOK CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET ON **TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2013 AT 6:00 PM** IN THE SEABROOK CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1700 FIRST STREET, SEABROOK, TX 77586, **TO DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND IF APPROPRIATE, TAKE ACTION** WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW.

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES, MUST BE MADE, 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT (281) 291-5600 OR FAX (281) 291-5710 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

1.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time we would like to listen to any member of the audience on any subject matter, whether or not that item is on the agenda. All comments are limited to a maximum of four minutes for each speaker. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, members may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. When your name is called, please come to the podium and state your name and address clearly into the microphone before making your comments. Thank you.

2.0 SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEARING(S)

 ATTACHMENT 1

- 2.1 Conduct the first of two required public hearings on the 2013 proposed tax rate of **\$0.651229**. The second public hearing will be held at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting on October 1, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Seabrook City Hall. The Seabrook City Council will vote on the proposed tax rate at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting on October 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

THE CITY COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO HEAR ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED AGENDA ITEMS THAT QUALIFY FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION BY PUBLICLY ANNOUNCING THE APPLICABLE SECTION NUMBER OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, (CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE) THAT JUSTIFIES EXECUTIVE SESSION TREATMENT.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that this notice was posted on the bulletin board on or before Friday, September 20, 2013 no later than 5:00 p.m. and that this notice will remain posted until the meeting has

ended.

Michele L. Glaser, TRMC
City Secretary

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

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The City of Seabrook 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 2.40 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 October 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM at Seabrook City Hall, 1700 1st Street, Seabrook, TX 77586.

The second public hearing will be held on October 9, 2012 at 7:00 PM at Seabrook City Hall, 1700 1st Street, Seabrook, TX 77586.

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

FOR:

Laura Davis
Don Holbrook
Gary Johnson
Robert Llorente

Thom Kolupski
Glenn Royal
Michael Giangrosso

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Seabrook last year was \$155,913. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.649978 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$1,013.40.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Seabrook this year is \$158,003. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.649642 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$1,026.45.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.665232 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$1,051.09.

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

**CITY OF SEABROOK
ORDINANCE NO. 2013-20
TAX ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF SEABROOK, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, **2014** AND DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION THEREOF.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Seabrook finds that the tax for the year **2013** hereinafter levied for current expenses of the city and the general improvement of the city and its property is in all respects necessary and must be levied to provide the revenue requirements of its budget for the ensuing year; and

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Seabrook further finds that the taxes for the year **2013**, hereinafter levied, are necessary to pay interest and to provide the required sinking fund on outstanding bonds of the city issued for municipal purposes; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. For the current expenses of the City of Seabrook and for the general improvement of the city and its properties, there is hereby levied and ordered to be assessed and collected for the year **2013** and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordered, an ad valorem tax at the rate of **48.3154** cents on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all property situated within the limits of the City of Seabrook, which property is not exempt from taxation under valid laws.

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

SECTION 2. For the purpose of paying interest and providing for a sinking fund for the payment of each issue of waterworks system, sewer system and general obligation bonds, including payment of the various installments of principal which may be payable during the ensuing year of such bonds, there is hereby levied and ordered to be assessed and collected for **2013** and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordered, an ad valorem tax at the rate of **16.8075** cents on each hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all property situated within the limits of the City of Seabrook, which property is not exempt from taxation under valid laws.

SECTION 3. The total ad valorem tax rate in the City of Seabrook to be assessed and collected for **2013** and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordered is **65.1229** cents on each hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all

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property situated within the limits of the City of Seabrook, which property is not exempt from taxation under valid laws.

SECTION 4. All taxes levied hereby are payable on or before December 31, **2013**. Taxpayers who have not paid their tax bill levied hereunder on or before the 31st day January, **2014** shall be assessed a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1st of the year becomes delinquent. A tax delinquent on July 1st incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) of the amount of delinquent tax without regard to the number of months the tax has been delinquent. A delinquent tax accrues interest at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month the tax remains unpaid.

SECTION 5. The term "assessed valuation" as used herein, shall mean a valuation which is one hundred percent (100%) on the actual value of any and all property subject to ad valorem tax. The tax levied by this ordinance shall be calculated upon said "assessed valuation" in relation to the rates above set forth.

SECTION 6. Should any part of this ordinance be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts shall be severable and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON FIRST AND FINAL
READING THIS THE 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2013.

GLENN R. ROYAL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHELE L. GLASER, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY