## Option 1

## 2020-2021 BUDGET PLANNING CALENDAR

July 06	Budgets due to Budget Coordinator
July 09	72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, July 13 <sup>h</sup>
July 13	Commissioners Court Meeting
July 23	72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, July 27th
July 25	Deadline for Chief Appraiser to Certify Rolls to Taxing Units (see: 26.01 T.C.)
July 27	Commissioners Court Meeting
July 30	72- Hour notice for Special Called CC Meeting on Monday, Aug. 3rd
Aug. 01	(Or as soon thereafter as practicable) Certified appraisal roll, collection rate, debt taxes, etc. due to CC from Tax Assessor/Collector. County Judge works with Budget Coordinator and County Auditor on proposed budget prior to CC workshops on proposed budget. (See Section 26.04 T. C.)
Aug. 03	Special Called Commissioners Court Meeting (Aug.3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting may be recessed and continued on Tuesday, Aug. 04 <sup>th</sup> ). CC receives budget requests from budget coordinator as presented by elected officials and department heads. Elected officials and department heads may address CC regarding their budget requests
Aug. 06	72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, Aug. 10 <sup>th</sup>
Aug. 07	(Or as soon thereafter as practicable) Tax Assessor/Collector submits No New Revenue tax rate, the Voter-Approval tax rate, and explanation of how tax rates were calculated; the estimated amount of interest and sinking fund balances and the estimated amount of M & O or general fund balances remaining at the end of the current fiscal year that are not encumbered with or by corresponding existing debt obligations; and a schedule of the JC's debt obligations showing details listed in Section 26.04 (e) (3) (A), (B), & (C).
Aug. 10	Commissioners Court Meeting
Aug. 13	72- Hour notice for Special Called CC Meeting on Monday, Aug. 17 <sup>h</sup> (which may be recessed and continued on Tuesday, Aug. 18 <sup>h</sup> )

- Aug. 1472- Hour notice for Special Called CC Meeting on Wed. Aug. 19th (which<br/>may be recessed and continued on Thursday, Aug.20th)
- Aug. 17-18Special Called Commissioners Court Meeting (Aug. 17th meeting may be<br/>recessed and continued on Tuesday, Aug. 18th) Commissioners Court<br/>Budget Workshop, anticipated collection rate, calculates New Revenue tax<br/>rate, the Voter-Approval tax rate by Tax Assessor/Collector
- Aug. 17 72- Hour notice for Special Called CC Meeting on Friday, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>
- Aug. 19-20Special Called Commissioners Court Meeting, (Aug. 19th meeting may be<br/>recessed and continued on Thursday, Aug. 20th). Continue Budget<br/>Workshop, Certification of Anticipated Collection Rate by Tax<br/>Assessor/Collector. Calculation of No New Revenue tax rate, the Voter-<br/>Approval tax rate by Tax Assessor/Collector
- Aug. 20 72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>
- Aug. 21Special Called Commissioners Court Meeting (if necessary)<br/>Continue Budget Workshop

Aug. 24 Commissioners Court Meeting to discuss tax rate; if proposed tax rate will exceed the No New Revenue tax rate or the Voter-Approval tax rate, (whichever is lower); take record vote and schedule public hearing: Auditor & Tax Assessor/Collector present to Commissioners Court the following:

- 1. New Revenue Tax Rate, Voter-Approval Tax Rate, and Calculation Methods
- 2. M & O obligations
- 3. Debt Obligations
- 4. Amount of increase based on No New Revenue Tax Rate
- Aug. 27 Give Elected Officials Budget and County Judge files proposed Budget w/ Co. Clerk per Section 111.006 (a) and posts budget on county web site per Section 111.006 (b). If the proposed budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year, the budget must have a cover sheet that includes the specific language prescribed in Section 111.003 (b). Section 152.013 provides that the annual budget is to be given to the elected officials prior to filing the proposed budget with the county clerk.
- Sept.01 Last day for elected official to file grievance regarding budget per Section 152.016 (a)

- Sept. 04 Notice of Public Hearing on Budget in newspaper (Section 111.0075, Local Gov. Code. Notice not earlier than the 30th or later than 10<sup>th</sup> day before the date of the hearing and must include language from Section 111.003 (b)). Public Hearing on budget will be Sept. 28, 2020 and will be prior to vote to adopt the budget and set the tax rate).
- Sept. 10 72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>
- Sept. 11 Last day for Grievance Committee to hold a public hearing regarding grievance filed by elected official per Section 152.016 (b)
- Sept. 11 Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate in newspaper. Notice to comply with Tax Code Section 26.06 (b-1), 26.06 (b-2), 26.06 (b-3) or 26.061 depending on if the proposed tax rate exceeds the no new revenue tax rate and/or voter-approval tax rate. Tax Code Section 26.062 also requires a table to be included at the end of the notice of the hearing on the tax rate or meeting to adopt the tax rate, as applicable, that compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead this year. Tax Code Section 26.065 requires notice of public hearing on the home page of the County's Internet website at least 7 days before public hearing on the proposed tax rate increase and at least 7 days before the date of the vote proposing the increase in the tax rate.
- Sept. 14 Publish Elected Officials Salaries in newspaper (if proposed increases) per Section 152.013 (b)

## Sept. 14 Commissioners Court Meeting

- 1. Discuss <u>Budget</u>
- 2. Discuss <u>Tax Rate</u>
- 3. Announce date, time and place of Public Hearing
- 4. <u>Announce date, time, & place of meeting at which it will vote</u> on the tax rate
- Sept. 15 Chief Appraiser must deliver notice by this date as required by Sec. 26.04 (e-2) and comply with 26.17 (f) in order for CC to have public hearing on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> (see: Section 26.05 (d-1) Tax Code)
- Sept. 17 72- Hour notice for CC Meeting on Monday, Sept.21<sup>st</sup>
- Sept. 21 Special Called CC Meeting to have Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate
  - 1. Announce date, time, & place of meeting at which it will vote on the tax rate (vote to be on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>)

- 2. Vote on tax increase may not be held later than the 7<sup>th</sup> day after the date of the Public Hearing. See 26.06 (e).
- Sept. 24 72 hour notice for CC Meeting on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>
- Sept. 28CC Meeting to have Public Hearing on budget, adopt budget and set<br/>tax rate. Budget must be adopted by a separate RECORD VOTE<br/>before tax rate is adopted. Taxing unit must set tax rate before Sept.<br/>30 or 60 days after receiving certified appraisal roll, whichever is<br/>later. (See second Note on page 4). CC must also vote to ratify tax<br/>increase reflected in budget. (Section 111.008 (c) of the L.G.C.<br/>requires CC to ratify the property tax increase reflected in budget).<br/>This vote is in addition to & separate from the record vote to adopt<br/>the budget or to set the tax rate. This section also requires an adopted<br/>budget to contain a cover page that includes the information set out in<br/>Section 111.003 (b).
  - Note: Section 111.008, L.G.C. requires the vote on the budget to be by a record vote of the CC, and the budget must have a cover page that provides the information required by Section 111.008. Section 111.009, L.G.C. requires that the budget must be filed with the County Clerk, and the budget and cover page must be posted on the county's internet website.
  - Note: Section 26.05 (a) requires that the governing body must adopt a tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate not later than the 71<sup>st</sup> day before the next uniform election date prescribed by Section 4.001, Election Code, that occurs in November of that year. For 2020, the uniform election date is November 3, 2020. Seventy One (71) days prior to Nov. 3, 2020 is Monday, August 24, 2020.