

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Budget
Work Session

Item ID 26359 Agenda Number 1.

Meeting Date: 8/14/2013 Department: Budget Office

Subject

Approve a resolution adopting a maximum proposed property (ad valorem) tax rate of 51.32 cents per \$100 taxable value that the City Council will consider for Fiscal Year 2013-2014; and setting the date that the Council will adopt the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 property (ad valorem) tax rate (suggested date is Monday, September 9, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.). (Public comment will be allowed on this item.)

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing	
Language:	
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Elaine Hart, Chief Financial Officer, 974-1380; Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial
Information:	Officer, 974-2638
Boards and	
Commission	
Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

State law requires that all taxing jurisdictions participate in the process of Truth-In-Taxation. When a proposed tax rate exceeds the lower of 100 percent of the effective rate or the rollback rate, the Council must adopt a maximum proposed tax rate that it will consider. State law requires that the vote to adopt a proposed maximum rate must be a roll call vote, indicating any absences from the dais.

If Council votes to consider a maximum proposed rate that exceeds the effective rate of 48.39 cents per \$100 of taxable value, it must schedule and conduct two public hearings on the proposed tax rate. To comply with state law, the first public hearing will be conducted at 4:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled Council meeting of August 22, 2013. The second public hearing will take place at 4:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled Council meeting of August 29, 2013. Both public hearings will be carried out in City Hall Council Chambers at 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas. After these hearings, Council must adopt the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 property (ad valorem) tax rate. Adoption of the tax rate has been set for Monday, September 9, 2013. The vote to adopt the property tax rate will also be conducted in City Hall Council Chambers at 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Even though the Council votes to consider a proposed tax rate above the effective rate, the Council may, as a result of deliberations, adopt a tax rate at or below the rate stated in the published notices.