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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

**** A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED IN THE RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL ROOM LOCATED AT 4900 RIVER OAKS BLVD.; RIVER OAKS, TEXAS ON **TUESDAY****

**AUGUST 29, 2023
6:00 PM**

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board outside the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., a place that is accessible to the general public at all times, and that said notice was posted on **Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 4:30 P.M.**

CITY SECRETARY

**** YOU CAN JOIN THIS MEETING IN PERSON OR FROM YOUR PHONE AT 1-669-444-9171. THE MEETING ID CODE IS 935 8541 7508. THE MEETING IS ALSO BEING STREAMLINED BY LIVE FEED ON THE CITY WEB PAGE AT WWW.RIVEROAKSTX.COM BY CLICKING ON THE VIDEO TAB.**

MEETING LINK: <https://zoom.us/j/93585417508?pwd=aTgyeVZlZlJSSUthY2VJaUNDQnBUUT09>

MEETING NUMBER: 935 8541 7508
PASSCODE: 660583

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG
"HONOR THE TEXAS FLAG; I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THEE, TEXAS, ONE STATE UNDER GOD, ONE AND INDIVISIBLE"
4. READING OF PROCLAMATION(S) AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY MAYOR:
5. **PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** CITIZENS ARE INVITED TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AND DURING THE MEETING BY RESPONSE TO THE MAYOR TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA, THE CITY COUNCIL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO LIMIT ITS RESPONSE WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC FACTUAL INFORMATION, RECITING THE CITY'S EXISTING POLICY ON THAT ISSUE, OR DIRECTING THE PERSON MAKING THE INQUIRY TO VISIT WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT THE ISSUE AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.



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6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** ALL ITEMS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL FOR THE "CONSENT AGENDA". THESE ITEMS ARE OF A ROUTINE NATURE AND REQUIRE ONLY BRIEF DELIBERATION BY COUNCIL. **COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANY ITEM ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DELIBERATION.**

A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 22, 2023 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

7. DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DELIBERATION.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. **PUBLIC HEARING:** IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS THAT WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES IN THE GENERAL FUND THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$106,646 DOLLARS OR 3.6905% AND OF THAT AMOUNT \$13,705.56 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR.

9. **ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARING:** CONSIDER APPROVAL OF **ORDINANCE # 1385-2023** ADOPTING THE RIVER OAKS OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

10. **PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION** IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AD VALOREM 2023 PROPERTY TAX RATE IN THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS AT A RATE OF \$0.677621 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A TOTAL TAX RATE DECREASE OF \$0.076547/\$100 OF VALUE OR 11.2964% FROM THE 2022 TAX RATE OF \$0.754168 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE. THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$ **0.677621** per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$ **0.642845** per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$ **0.677621** per \$100
(The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate).

11. **ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARING:** THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL ANNOUNCE AT THE PUBLIC HEARING THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF THE MEETING AT WHICH IT WILL VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE. **(the meeting to vote on the tax increase may not be held later than the seventh day after the date of the public hearing or September 5, 2023)**

CORRESPONDENCE:

12. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

13. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSIONS(S) FROM TIME TO TIME ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY AS PERMITTED BY LAW DURING THIS MEETING. THE COUNCIL MAY CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Section 551.071 Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek advice from attorney:
- b. Section 551.072 deliberation regarding real property; a governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.
- c. Section 551.074 Personnel matters – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an Officer or Employee.
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

RECONVENE:

14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN:

15. ADJOURNMENT

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available in front of City Hall. Please contact City Hall at 817-626-5421 if you have any questions or additional needs.