

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FORT BEND COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO.2**

The Board of Commissioners of Fort Bend County Emergency Services District #2 met on April 3, 2019 at 6:07 p.m. at the Willowfork Fire Department, 24655 Westheimer Parkway; Katy, TX 77494, inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Tom Raia	President
Robert Miller	Vice President
Jack Hazel	Treasurer
John Schwin	Assistant Treasurer
Marti Thorne	Secretary

and all of said commissioners were present, thus constituting a quorum. Also, present was Billy Wilson, Fire Chief, Willowfork Fire Department.

1) RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comments were made.

2) TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE DISTRICT'S 2019 STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS:

Commissioner Raia reviewed the strategy discussion topics. The consensus was that revenue projection would be the first topic. Other topics would be addressed in monthly meetings and/or additional strategy meetings.

Commissioner Schwin presented an update to the "steady state" analysis using public data for housing unit increases and Ft Bend County data for homestead exemption and taxable unit data. Multiple factors, including Hurricane Harvey, have caused the revenue projections to be modified downward. The data would indicate that in the near term revenue growth will flatten out and primarily be limited to inflation.

Chief Wilson presented a revised asset replacement fund analysis which incorporated modified asset lives and added an annual inflation factor of 2 to 2 1/2% to the original purchase price. This factor would be applied to each year that the asset is owned in order to more accurately estimate the replacement cost of new equipment.

Commissioner Raia requested that estimated budgets be developed for the April 24 meeting reflecting the revised revenue projections and applying an inflation factor(s) to the current non-capital portions of the budget in order to provide an indication of available funding for station 1 upgrades, personnel additions, and other future needs of the District.

The Board reviewed the 2019 revenue projections provided by the Ft Bend Central Appraisal District (CAD) 2018 Assessment Roll Grand Totals Report. The certified totals included 25,109 properties assessed at a total of \$7,930,594,618. There were 15,086 properties assessed at \$5,622,830,536 that claimed a Homestead exemption as currently granted by the ESD. The 20% Homestead exemption reduced the taxable assessment by \$1,119,441,996. After the HS exemption and other small exemptions, Ft Bend CAD is reporting the net taxable assessment as \$6,781,099,767 resulting in an estimated 2019 tax revenue of \$6,781,100 at the current ESD tax rate of \$.10/\$100 of assessed value.

- 3) ADJOURN:
The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.



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