AGENDA

FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE AMARILLO CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 AT 7:00 A.M., CITY HALL, 509 SOUTHEAST 7th AVENUE, COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF CITY HALL, AMARILLO, TEXAS.

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1. **PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE:**

   (Contact: Michelle Bonner, Deputy City Manager)

   THE CITY OF AMARILLO IS CONSIDERING A TAX RATE OF $0.36838, WHICH IS GREATER THAN THE CURRENT RATE. THIS PROPOSED RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 1.80 PERCENT. THE TAX ON AN AVERAGE HOME LAST YEAR WAS $476.49. THE TAX ON AN AVERAGE HOME WOULD BE $495.33 UNDER THE PROPOSED RATE.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING ON FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019 BUDGET:**

   (Contact: Michelle Bonner, Deputy City Manager)

   This Budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by $1,239,167 or 2.8%, and of that amount $734,270 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

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Posted this 31st day of August 2018.

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Amarillo City Council
Agenda Transmittal Memo

Meeting Date	September 4,2018	Council Priority	

Department	City Manager Michelle Bonner, Deputy City Manager

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Agenda Item Summary

This public hearing is the first public hearing on the proposed tax rate: at this meeting Council must have a public hearing on the tax rate and announce meeting dates and times to adopt the tax rate.

Requested Action

Council hold a public hearing on the tax rate and announce the meeting dates and times to adopt the tax rate. Those meeting times are September 11, 2018 at 7:00 A.M. and September 18, 2018 at 7:00 A.M.

Funding Summary

N/A

Community Engagement Summary

The City Council met on August 7th, 8th and 9th to review the proposed 2018/2019 budget. At the August 7th Council meeting, City Staff presented an overview of the proposed 2018 tax rate and required tax notices. On August 14, 2018 the City Council discussed the tax rate and approved a motion to consider a $0.36838 property tax rate.

Staff Recommendation

Request that Council conduct the public hearing and announce the meeting times to adopt the tax rate, September 11, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. and September 18, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. No Council action for this item.

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Agenda Item Summary

This is the public hearing on the 2018/2019 budget.

Requested Action

Council hold a public hearing on the budget.

Funding Summary

N/A

Community Engagement Summary

The City Council met on August 7th, 8th and 9th to review the proposed 2018/2019 budget. At the August 7th Council meeting, City Staff presented an overview of the proposed 2018 tax rate and required tax notices. On August 14, 2018 the City Council discussed the tax rate and approved a motion to consider a $0.36838 property tax rate. On September 4, 2018 Council held the first mandatory public hearing on the 2018 tax rate. (The property tax rate generates the amount necessary to fund the proposed 2018/2019 Budget.)

Staff Recommendation

No action at this hearing.