

Notice About 2026 Tax Rates

Property Tax Rates in HILL COUNTY.

This notice concerns the 2026 property tax rates for HILL COUNTY.

This notice provides information about two tax rates used in adopting the current tax year's tax rate. The no-new-revenue tax rate would impose the same amount of taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. In most cases, the voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can adopt without holding an election. In each case, these rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of taxes by the current taxable value with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

This year's no-new-revenue tax rate \$0.462195/\$100.

This year's voter-approval tax rate \$0.537233/\$100.

To see the full calculations, please visit hill.countytaxrates.com for a copy of the Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet.

Unencumbered Fund Balances.

The following estimated balances will be left in the taxing unit's accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Fund	Balance
General	\$9,248,835
General Road & Bridge	\$33,678
Road & Bridge #1	\$94,891
Road & Bridge #2	\$62,361
Road & Bridge #3	\$430,371
Road & Bridge #4	\$16,270
F/M Lateral #1	\$68,674
F/M Lateral #2	\$37,251
F/M Lateral #3	\$196,719
F/M Lateral #4	\$188,696
Indigent Health	\$284,114
Law Library	\$69,193
Jury	\$32,176
Interest & Sinking	\$100,976
Opioid Settlement	\$85,824
Language Access	\$21,560
Dispute Resolution	\$72,624
County Clk Records Mgmt.	\$91,450
Sheriff Chapter 59	\$110,000
DA Forfeiture Property	\$277,980
Probate	\$15,470
Justice Court Tech.	\$15,755
County Clerk Archive	\$883,680
District Clerk Archive	\$17,130
Economic Development/Tourism	\$700,795
Courthouse Security	\$56,930
Election - Machine Rental	\$52,000
Probate Court Preservation	\$6,018
Specialty Court	\$50,690
Court Facility Fee	\$14,630

Current Year Debt Service.

The following amounts are for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from upcoming property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To be Paid	Total Payment
Series 2022	\$622,611	\$50,000		\$572,611

Total required for 2026 debt service	\$ 622,611
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in unencumbered funds	\$
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$
- Excess collections last year	\$ 42,412
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2026	\$ 530,199
+ Amount added in anticipation that the taxing unit will collect only 100.000000% of its taxes in 2026	\$ 0
= Total Debt Levy	\$ 530,199

Voter-Approval Tax Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate

The Hill County Auditor certifies that Hill County has spent \$595,414 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Hill County Sheriff has provided Hill information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by 0.003519 /\$100.

Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures

The Hill spent \$269,121 from July 1 2025 to June 30 2026 on indigent health care compensation procedures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$139,814. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by 0.003074 /\$100.

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures

The Hill spent \$356,600 from July 1 2025 to June 30 2026 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals, less the amount of state grants received by the county. In the preceding year, the county spent \$375,602 for indigent defense compensation expenditures. The amount of increase above last year's indigent defense expenditures is \$-19,002. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by 0.000000/\$100 to recoup .

This notice contains a summary of the no-new-revenue and voter-approval calculations as certified by Krystal Hightower, Tax Assessor/Collector, 08/04/2026.

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.