

# Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request Travis County Bee Cave Road District No. 1

Meeting Date: June 5, 2012

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Commissioners Court Sponsor: County Judge Sam Biscoe

## AGENDA LANGUAGE:

• CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PROPERTY TAX RATE CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE TRAVIS COUNTY BEE CAVE ROAD DISTRICT #1. (TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)

**BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:** 

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

**ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:** 

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:** 



# TRAVIS COUNTY TAX OFFICE TINA MORTON TAX ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR

May 23, 2012

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE COUNTY JUDGE SAM BISCOE

PRECINCT 1, COMMISSIONER RON DAVIS PRECINCT 2, COMMISSIONER SARAH ECKHARDT PRECINCT 3, COMMISSIONER KAREN HUBER PRECINCT 4, COMMISSIONER MARGARET GÓMEZ

FROM: Tina Morton, Tax Assessor-Collector

SUBJECT: Travis County Bee Cave Road District #1 Property Tax Rate Considerations

### **Property Tax Rate Considerations**

Each year there are several items the Commissioners Court must consider when establishing tax rates and budget forecasts for the Travis County Bee Cave Road District #1. We and the Planning and Budget Office recommend the Court adopt the following parameters:

- A. Anticipated Collection Rate (for Effective Tax Rate Calculations): 100% (lower estimates may be used only with justification).
- B. Debt Buy Down: The debt service (and resulting debt rate) may be reduced using year-end or reserve balances from the bond or general fund. We recommend no buy down of the debt rate.
- C. Optional Homestead Exemption: \$5,000 or 20% (whichever is greater).

As the Court may take action at a later time, we note the current policy but recommend no action at this time for the following parameters:

- D. Over 65 and Disabled Optional Homestead Exemptions: Currently \$65,000.
- E. Historic Exemptions: Currently 100% on the structure and 50% on the land for residences or non-profit agencies; and 50% on the structure and 25% on

If my staff or I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 4-9632.

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cc: Leslie Browder, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget Jessica Rio, Budget Director, Planning and Budget Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget Susan Spataro, County Auditor