

**ORDER FOR SETTING THE 2023 TAX RATE  
FOR LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the applicable statutes of the State of Texas require an annual determination by the Lamar County Commissioners' Court of the Tax Rate for Lamar County, Texas based upon the actual financial needs of the county for the year in which such tax rate is to be determined and set, as provided by Article 26.05 (a) and (b) of the Texas Tax Code;

AND WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Lamar County Commissioners' Court from statutory sources of information upon which it may rely regarding the financial needs of Lamar County for the current period beginning October 1, 2023, that the tax rate for the year 2023 must be set according to law at .3045 cents per one hundred dollar (\$100) valuation, in order to meet the money needs of Lamar County under the law in the judgment of the Lamar County Commissioners' Court, the same to be broken down by the proper authorities of this county into two components based upon needs for maintenance and operation and for the payment of principal and interest on debt retirement for Lamar County;

NOW THEREFORE, this Court hereby ORDAINS and ORDERS that the 2023 Tax Rate for Lamar County be and the same is hereby ADOPTED on \$100.00 valuation for the tax year 2023, as follows:

\$ .2900	Maintenance and Operating Expense Tax Rate
<u>\$.0145</u>	Debt Service Tax Rate
\$ .3045	2023 Total Ad Valorem Tax Rate

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.5 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$21.50

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, that the 2023 original Tax Levy for Lamar County is \$16,905,402.

ACCORDINGLY, the Lamar County Appraisal District is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of Lamar County, Texas in accordance herewith.


**PASSED and APPROVED on the 21st day of August, 2023.**

**Court Members Voting Aye:**

  
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Brandon Bell, County Judge

  
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Alan Skidmore, Commissioner

  
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Ronnie Bass, Commissioner

  
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Kevin Anderson, Commissioner

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Lonnie Layton, Commissioner