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NOTICE OF MEETING

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF KARNES COUNTY TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that the governing body of Karnes County Commissioners Court will hold a Public Hearing/Public Meeting/Special Meeting on the 9th Day of September 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom, located at 101 North Panna Maira Avenue, Suite 200 Karnes City, Texas 78118 to discuss the following items of Karnes County business in accordance with Local Government Code 551*:

PUBLIC HEARING:

1.	and hear Public comments. (LGC 111.007)
2.	Citizens to be heard. Names:

PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TAX RATES:

- 1. Discuss Karnes County, Texas 2025 Proposed Tax Rates.
 - a. Discuss General Fund Maintenance & Operating Tax Rate.
 - b. Acknowledge there is no General Fund Interest & Sinking Tax Rate.
 - c. Discuss Road & Bridge special Maintenance and Operating Tax Rate.

SPECIAL MEETING:

1.	Welcome.
2.	Quorum Present. Yes No Absent:
3.	Opening Prayer.
4.	Pledge of Allegiance.
5.	Citizens to be heard:
6.	Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Setting base salaries for the elected officials for FY 2025-2026.
	Author: Judge Wade J. Hedtke (LGC 152.013)
a)	County Judge \$ 80,000.00
b)	County Clerk \$ 74,000.00
c)	District Clerk \$ 74,000.00
d)	Justice of Peace #1 \$ 60,000.00
e)	Justice of Peace #2 \$ 60,000.00
f)	Justice of Peace #3 \$ 60,000.00
g)	Justice of Peace #4 \$ 60,000.00
h)	County Attorney \$ 77,000.00
i)	County Treasurer \$74,000.00
j)	Tax Assessor-Collector \$ 74,000.00
k)	Constable #1 \$ 55,000.00
l)	Constable #2 \$ 55,000.00
m)	Constable #3 \$ 55,000.00
n)	Constable #4 \$55,000.00
0)	Sheriff \$ 90,000.00
p)	Commissioner Pct.#1 \$ 74,000.00
q)	Commissioner Pct.#2 \$ 74,000.00
r)	Commissioner Pct.#3 \$ 74,000.00
s)	Commissioner Pct.#4 \$ 74,000.00

7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove: Adoption of the FY 2026 Budget for Karnes County, Texas. (LGC 111.008) Authors: Judge Wade J. Hedtke/Tom Dupnick-Co.Auditor

- 8. Acknowledge: Adopt the 2025 Overall Tax Rate for Karnes County, Texas. (LGC 111.008 (b))

 Author: Tammy Braudaway-Tax Assessor/Collector
- 9. Discuss/Take possible action: The adoption of the 2025 General Fund Maintenance & Operating Tax Rate. Author: Tammy Braudaway-Tax Assessor/Collector
- 10. Acknowledge: Karnes County has zero debt obligations for 2025; therefore, there is no General Fund & Interest Sinking Tax Rate. Author: Tammy Braudaway-Tax Assessor/Collector
- **11.** Public Hearing: to allow Public Comment regarding the Proposed Karnes County Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget

Texas Government Code 551.043 (HB1522). Tax Payer Impact Statement Notice:

The fiscal year 2024/2025 (tax year 2024) adopted tax rate of \$0.234499 per \$100 of value on the median homestead taxable value of \$52,319 resulted in a \$122.68 tax on the median homestead. The proposed fiscal year 2025/2026 (tax year 2025) budget, based on a Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.241058 per \$100 of value on the median homestead taxable value of \$53,446, would result in a \$128.84 tax on the median homestead. The adoption of a balanced budget, if funded at the No New Revenue rate (NNR) of \$0.241058 per \$100 of value on the median homestead taxable value of \$53,446, would result in a \$128.84 tax on the median homestead.

The FY 2025/2026 Proposed Budget has been filed with the County Clerk as prescribed by law and posted prominently on the Karnes County website at:

https://www.co.karnes.tx.us/page/karnes.Proposed.Budgets

12. Discuss and take possible action to adopt the Karnes County Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget

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- 13. Acknowledge: Pursuant to H.B. 1522 Taxpayer Impact Statement. Notice of taxpayer impact statement is attached for viewing. Author: Judge Wade J. Hedtke
- **14.** Acknowledge the Commissioners Court will meet at 101 North Panna Maria Avenue, Suite 200, Karnes City, Texas 78118 on September 23, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Karnes County Historic Courtroom.

15. Adjourn.

Wade J. Hedtke Karnes County Judge

*Karnes County Commissioners Court reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during a regular or special called meeting to discuss any matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.

Jamie Leal, County Clerk

By Deputy:

KARNES COUNTY TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT

House Bill 1522, passed by the Texas Legislature in 2025, amends section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code to require that the notice of a meeting required to be posted under section 551.043(a) of the Texas Open Meetings Act, at which a government body will discuss or adopt a budget for the governmental body, must include a taxpayer impact statement showing, for the median-valued homestead property, a comparison of the property tax bill in dollars pertaining to the property for the current fiscal year to an estimate of the property tax bill in dollars for the same property for the upcoming fiscal year.

Karnes County has proposed a budget for the County's 2025-2026 fiscal year. The county intends to adopt its budget on September 9, 2025.

- 2024 Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the County: \$ 52,319
- 2024 Property Tax Bill for the Current Fiscal Year (0.234499): \$122.68
- 2025 Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the County: \$53,446
- Estimated 2025 Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the County Adopts the Proposed Budget and Tax Rate 0.241058 per \$ 100 of value: \$ 128.84
- Estimated 2025 Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the County Adopts a Balanced Budget at the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate \$ 0.241058 per \$ 100 of value): \$ 128.84

The estimates in this Impact Statement are valid only for the proposed budget and proposed tax rate that the Karnes County Commissioners Court will discuss at its meeting on September 9, 2025. The proposed budget and the proposed tax rate may each be amended by the Karnes County Commissioners Court before their final adoption.