

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Public Hearing For the City Council Meeting of August 14, 2012 Second Public Hearing For the City Council Meeting of August 21, 2012

DATE: August 14, 2012

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Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2013 Ad Valorem Taxes

CAPTION:

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PURPOSE:

The State Property Tax code requires that two public hearings be held when a taxing unit proposes to impose an amount of property taxes that exceeds the preceding year's property taxes.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi is proposing to keep the ad valorem tax rate the same for fiscal year 2012-2013 as it was for fiscal year 2011-2012 at \$0.570557 per \$100 valuation. This rate will generate more revenue for fiscal year 2012-2013 because of the increase in assessed property values and the new growth from the prior year. However, the City is not raising the property tax rate.

If a proposed property tax rate exceeds the effective tax rate, the Property Tax Code requires that the governing body must schedule two public hearings on the proposal. Since the property tax rate in the adopted fiscal year 2012-2013 budget of \$0.570557 per \$100 valuation exceeds the effective tax rate of \$0.562666 per \$100 valuation, then State law requires the City Council to hold two public hearings. This is the first of the two public hearings. The second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 21, 2012.

ALTERNATIVES: n/a

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS: n/a

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

□Not Applicable □ Operating Expense X Revenue □ CIP

FISCAL YEAR:	Project to Date Exp. (CIP Only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Budget	-	\$ 77,518,178	\$ -	\$ 77,518,178
Encumbered/Expended amount of (date)	-	-	-	-
This item	-	\$ 77,518,178	\$ -	\$ 77,518,178
BALANCE	-	-	\$ -	\$ -
FUND(S): General Fund \$51,282,2 Debt Service Fund \$26,235,932	46			

COMMENTS:

n/a

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.57557 per \$100 valuation on August 28, 2012.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This item conforms to City policy.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

N/A

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal Department

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

None

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