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Texas Southmost College District

Minutes of the Public Hearing of the Board of Trustees

August 12, 2019

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Southmost College District convened in open session on August 12, 2019, at 5:35 p.m., in the Gorgas Board Room at Texas Southmost College. Board Members present were Ms. Adela Garza, Chair, Mr. Ruben Herrera, Vice Chair, Dr. Tony Zavaleta, Secretary, Mr. Art Rendon, Mrs. Delia Saenz, Mr. J.J. De Leon, Jr., and Ms. Eva Alejandro. Also present was Dr. Jesús Roberto Rodríguez, President of Texas Southmost College.

1. Call to Order

The Public Hearing was called to order by Chair, Adela Garza at 5:35 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Tony Zavaleta led the United States Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Hearing on proposed 2019 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Texas Southmost College District

Ms. Garza stated that this is a Public Hearing to give the taxpayers an opportunity to express their opinions on the proposed tax rate. She added that the notice of proposed increase was published in the newspapers on August 1, 2019 and stated the Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate of \$0.118289 and a Debt Tax Rate of \$0.044118 for a Total Tax Rate of \$0.162407 per \$100 valuation. Ms. Garza explained that this rate is the same as the last year's rate and will not increase taxes for a property if its appraised value remained the same.

The floor was opened for any speakers; however, there were none.

Dr. Figueroa presented the proposed hearing schedule. A second Public Hearing was scheduled on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room. The Special Board meeting to vote on the adoption of the budget and tax rate was scheduled for Thursday, August 27, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. in the Gorgas Board Room.

4. Adjournment of Public Hearing

Chair Garza adjourned the public hearing at 5:40 p.m.

Adela G. Garza

Chair, Board of Trustees

Dr. Tony Zavaleta

Secretary, Board of Trustees