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PRESS RELEASE

**Travis County Emergency Services District No. 3 / Oak Hill Fire Department
Lowers Ad Valorem Tax Rate Again**

The Board of Commissioners for Travis County Emergency Services District No. 3, operating locally as the Oak Hill Fire Department, took action on Monday, September 28, to lower the tax rate for its community again. After considering the impact of the novel coronavirus pandemic and its implications on the District's revenue, the District felt that it had positioned itself to be able to further reduce its tax burden on the community while still ensuring an effective and well-trained workforce remains available to continue providing the services expected in the community.

The Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District No. 3 are pleased to announce that the District unanimously adopted a new ad valorem tax rate of 7.9 cents per hundred dollars of valuation compared to 8.0 cents per hundred dollars of valuation in 2020. The newly adopted lower tax rate will go into effect for the 2021 calendar year and represents a tax rate that is below both the "voter-approval" tax rate and the "no-new-revenue" tax rate, meaning that the District has actually reduced the amount of taxes its community members pay for fire and emergency medical first response services.

Through its financial planning, leveraging of cooperative purchasing opportunities with other entities, and continuing cost control measures in an emergency services environment, the District was able to meet its commitment to the community in lowering the tax rate again while maintaining its high level of providing the emergency services the community expects and desires. The Oak Hill Fire Department operates out of two fully staffed fire stations located at 9211 Circle Drive and 4111 Barton Creek Boulevard.

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