

# CITY OF CASTROVILLE

## PROPOSED TAX RATE

August 11, 2020, the City Council approved a proposed tax rate of 0.495178. This is a slight decrease from our current tax rate of 0.507771. The proposed budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$51,360, which is a 4.85% increase from last year's budget of \$31,219. This amount will be used in the City's General Fund for essential city services.



## FRIENDLY REMINDER ON LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS



### License required

(City Ordinance Chapter 14, Section 14-31)

- Any person owning, keeping, harboring or having custody of any dog or cat over three months of age within this municipality must obtain a license.
- An application for a license must be made for any dog or cat over the age of four months

\*Application includes name, address, and phone number of the applicant, description of the dog or cat, the annual fee, and rabies certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian

\*Application for a license must be made within 30 days after obtaining a dog or cat

\*Duration of one year from date dog or cat is vaccinated for rabies or lifetime if spayed or neutered

\*License fee is \$10.00, paid in advance, does not include microchipping

\*Replacement license fee is \$2.00

\*Upon acceptance of the license application and fee, the city or its designee shall issue a durable tag

### Leash and pooper scooper required

(City Ordinance Chapter 14, Section 14-72)

- An animal owner or keeper shall not walk an animal without a leash restraint, and shall carry a container and implement for the sanitary removal of the animal's fecal matter from the public sidewalk and public right-of-way.

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# Castroville Regional Park

## What's new in the park-

- Castroville Parks and Rec department received a 100% matching grant of \$40,000 for a new playground.
- Friends of the Castroville Regional Park received a Community Empowerment Grant from Microsoft to fund a Parks Master Plan. Follow us on Facebook [@castrovilleparksandrecreation](https://www.facebook.com/castrovilleparksandrecreation) for more details!

## Change of Events- Due to COVID-19

- FCRP Backyard Bluegrass Concert, benefiting the Botanical Trail, has been postponed.
- Boo Bash cancelled, but other Halloween activities are under consideration. Stay tuned.

## Regional Park-

No gatherings of groups over ten (10) unless approved by the City for rentals, pool, and trails.  
*Social distancing is required.*

## Pool-

*Schedule for Fitness Swim-* Available to the public! Times: Monday-Friday 6-7 am, 7:15-8:15 am, 8:30-9:30 am, 9:45-10:45 am, 6-7 pm, and 7:15-8:15 pm (Friday, morning sessions only unless specified otherwise.)

Sign up at <https://www.castrovilletx.gov/Swimming-Pool> for your time slot!

*Public Swim-* Closed to the public for the season.

## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTERS:

### Friends of the Park and the 2020 Trail Sponsors

Bryan Persyn, Gary & Lissa Uzzel, Brian Biediger and Girl Scout Troop 980, Texas Cheer- Dean & Amber Tschirhart Carrol, Castroville State Bank-Josh Hart, Bill & Mary Lou Burges, Jim & Patty Barnes, Dwight & Estela Green, Joe & Sheena Martinez, Dana Schulze and Girl Scout Troop 2718, Gary & Mary Irish  
 Joe & Rachel Torres of Serendipity-*Coordinators*  
 Tim Barrow- *Hiking Trail Team Leader*  
 Patrick Conner- *Botanical Trail Team Leader*

QR link to Parks Master Plan Survey



## 2020 Parks and Rec would like to recognize Jonah Chang for six years of Service!!

The future of our Parks is in your hands, so use the QR link to fill out the survey today!

### City Council

Mayor - Vacant  
 Mayor Pro Tem – Darrin Schroeder  
 210.232.4737  
 District 1 – Sheena Martinez  
 830.931.1328  
 District 2 – Paul Carey  
 210.710.4861  
 District 3 – Phil King  
 210.355.6546  
 District 4-Todd Tschirhart  
 210.413.7008

## Upcoming Events

- **September 15th-** Special Called Meeting  
 Public Hearing on Budget and Tax Rate  
 @5:00 p.m.
- **September 18th** – Municipal Court @9:00 a.m.
- **September 22nd-** City Council Meeting  
 @5:00 p.m
- **National Night Out is cancelled next month due to COVID-19**

**ATTENTION MEDINA COUNTY RESIDENTS!**  
**Please Sign Up Today**  
 To Receive  
**Emergency Notifications**  
 From Medina County and all 5 Cities!

 <http://r.i-info.com/rc/arc>

**PUBLIC WORKS AFTER HOUR ANSWERING SERVICE:**  
**DIAL 830-931-4090**

## GREAT NEWS!

The City of Castroville and Waste Management are excited to announce new, automated cart service for Castroville residents.



### Details:

- » Residents must continue use their existing 96-gallon green cart with a green lid for items considered trash. Trash collection will occur once-a-week on Thursday. Residents are required to bag all trash and place it inside the cart. Waste Management will not collect trash outside the cart.
- » Residents will receive a NEW 96-gallon green cart with yellow lid for items considered recycle. Recycling collection will occur once-a-week on Wednesday. Residents are required to place recyclables loose inside the cart. Waste Management will not collect recyclables outside the cart.
- » Brush, bundles, and bulky waste collection is limited to six (6) cubic yards and will occur once-a-month during the second full week of the month. Collection will start on Monday for the entire city.
- » Residents will also have UNLIMITED access to Waste Management's At Your Door Special Collection<sup>SM</sup> which provides residents with front-porch service to collect the difficult, sometimes hazardous, and hard-to-recycle items that almost every household accumulates such as paint, pesticides, electronic waste, and batteries. For more information about At Your Door Special Collection<sup>SM</sup> please contact Waste Management at 800-449-7587, e-mail [atyourdoor@wm.com](mailto:atyourdoor@wm.com), or visit [www.wmatyourdoor.com](http://www.wmatyourdoor.com).
- » For commercial customers with cart collection, trash collection will occur once-a-week on Thursday and recycle collection will occur once-a-week on Wednesday.

### Important Dates:

- » Waste Management will deliver new carts to residents the week of October 1, 2020.
- » The first day of new recycle service is October 7, 2020.
- » The first day of new trash service is October 8, 2020.

**More information regarding the new services will be sent to residents in the future. Keep an eye out for more information in the mail and attached to your cart. In the meantime, residents who have questions may contact the City or Waste Management.**

**For questions about service or to request additional recycle or trash carts, contact the City of Castroville:**

**City of Castroville  
1209 Fiorella Street  
Castroville, TX 78009  
Phone: 830-931-4070**

