

August 23, 2024

NOTICE OF CALLED MEETING

The **Called Meeting** of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District will convene at **12:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 27, 2024**, at the Center for Economic Development, 3209 S. Staples, Room 106, Corpus Christi, Texas.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

QUORUM CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DMC VISION STATEMENT: *Del Mar College empowers our communities to achieve their dreams.*

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GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items) – 3-minute time limit

- Specific Public Comments will be allowed on agenda items prior to action by the Board.
- General Public Comments may be moved on the agenda at the discretion of the Board Chair and as an accommodation to those in attendance.
- Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the College is limited in responding to public comments or inquiries as follows:
 1. Provide a statement of specific factual information in response to an inquiry.
 2. Recite existing policy in response to an inquiry.
 3. Propose placing the subject of the inquiry on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

(Tex. Govt. Code Section § 551.042)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Discussion and possible action related to the Order of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District: 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operations Budget and the 2024-2025 Debt Service BudgetMr. Raul Garcia
(II: Elevate – Goal 2: Maximize resources entrusted to the College)

Public comments for this agenda item

2. Discussion and possible action related to the Order of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District: 2024-2025 Tax Levy of \$0.261740 per \$100 of taxable value for the Del Mar College District.....Mr. Raul Garcia
(II: Elevate – Goal 2: Maximize resources entrusted to the College)

Public comments for this agenda item

3. Discussion and possible action related to the Resolution of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District: 2024-2025 Tax Exemptions.....Mr. Raul Garcia
(II: Elevate – Goal 2: Maximize resources entrusted to the College)

Public comments for this agenda item

4. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to:

- A. **TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.074(a)(1)**: (Personnel Matters), regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; including, 1.) Annual Evaluation of College President and President's Contract, with possible discussion and action in open session, and,
- B. **TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.071**: (Consultation with Legal Counsel), regarding pending or contemplated litigation, or a settlement offer, and the seeking of legal advice from counsel, with possible discussion and action in open session.

CALENDAR: Discussion and possible action related to calendaring dates.

ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE is given that the Board may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Regular Agenda

Item 1

Date: August 27, 2024

To: Mark Escamilla, Ph.D., President and CEO

From: Raul Garcia, VP and CFO 

RE: Adoption of the 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operations Budget and Adoption of the 2024-2025 Debt Service Budget

The College has worked with various budget stakeholders, including budget managers, faculty, staff, and the various College Councils, to align financial resources with strategic initiatives and deliver a balanced fiscal year 2024-2025 budget. A public Budget update was held for the Board of Regents on August 13, 2024, to receive comments from the Board of Regents and the public on the College's proposed budget.

- The proposed 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operations Budget is \$125,262,877.
- The proposed 2024-2025 Debt Service Budget is \$20,792,188, representing the principal and interest obligations for 2024-2025 on the College's existing general obligation bond debt.

The appropriate Public Notices of the public hearing for the proposed 2024-2025 budget have been published. The College held a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for 2024-2025 on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. to receive public comments.

Action item: Discussion and possible action related to the Order of the Board of Regents of Del Mar College District: 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operations Budget and the 2024-2025 Debt Service Budget.



Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Public Hearing

August 27, 2024

Raul Garcia, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer



Agenda

- Operating Revenue Budget
- Operating Expense Budget
- Questions



Proposed Revenue Budget

FY 2025

Category	Budget FY 2024	Increase/ (Decrease)	Proposed Budget FY 2025	% Change of Budget
State Appropriations	\$ 19,508,146	\$ -	\$ 19,508,146	0%
FAST Appropriations	1,141,504	45,660	1,187,164	4%
Insurance Contribution	4,281,371	-	4,281,371	0%
Retirement Contribution	1,966,711	-	1,966,711	0%
Total State Funding	\$ 26,897,732	\$ 45,660	\$ 26,943,392	0%
Tuition & Fees	22,001,700	-	22,001,700	0%
Property Taxes	65,068,806	9,986,835	75,055,641	15%
Miscellaneous	1,262,144	-	1,262,144	0%
Total Proposed Revenues	\$ 115,230,382	\$ 10,032,495	\$ 125,262,877	9%

Proposed Expense Budget FY 2025

Category	Budget FY 2024	Increase/ (Decrease)	Proposed Budget FY 2025	% Change of Budget
Faculty Salaries	\$ 33,593,394	\$ 2,837,649	\$ 36,431,043	8%
Exempt Salaries	14,127,168	302,837	14,430,005	2%
Exempt Salaries-Instructional	2,986,319	233,279	3,219,598	8%
Non-Exempt Salaries	10,154,930	159,776	10,314,706	2%
Non-Exempt Salaries-Instructional	2,666,287	223,615	2,889,902	8%
Benefits	20,487,813	1,043,470	21,531,283	5%
Total Salaries & Benefits	84,015,911	4,800,626	88,816,537	6%
Non-Salary Expenses	29,486,015	5,081,382	34,567,397	17%
Contingency	1,728,456	150,487	1,878,943	9%
Total Non-Salary Expenses	31,214,471	5,231,869	36,446,340	17%
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Proposed Expense Budget Detail

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Total Salaries & Benefits	84,015,911	4,800,626	88,816,537	6%
Non-Salary Expenses:				
Contract Instruction	158,600	-	158,600	0%
Supplies, Postage, Dupl, Copier Rental	3,497,541	52,220	3,549,761	1%
Maintenance & Repairs	1,747,539	691,017	2,438,556	40%
Equipment	776,699	812,049	1,588,748	105%
Student Recruiting & Marketing	1,139,569	139,337	1,278,906	12%
Audit & Legal, Tax Appraisal, Coll Fees	1,633,106	190,588	1,823,694	12%
Contract Labor & Consultants	3,064,494	531,661	3,596,155	17%
Accreditation	65,636	(2,300)	63,336	-4%
Special Pop Interpreter	114,397	5,603	120,000	5%
Comp Software, Hardware, License & Serv	3,612,534	818,172	4,430,706	23%
Travel & Professional Development	499,515	53,998	553,513	11%

Proposed Expense Budget Detail

FY 2025

Category	Budget FY 2024	Increase/ (Decrease)	Proposed Budget FY 2025	% Change of Budget
Non-Salary Expenses-Continued				
Election	-	175,000	175,000	100%
Security	1,565,000	62,304	1,627,304	4%
Recruitment	32,000	-	32,000	0%
Food & Beverage	84,811	14,501	99,312	17%
Library	250,976	8,321	259,297	3%
Bad Debt	151,707	73,293	225,000	48%
Membership & Dues	227,283	46,306	273,589	20%
Utilities & Telephone	3,061,600	31,261	3,092,861	1%
Insurance	4,805,000	(269,956)	4,535,044	-6%
Bank & Collection Fees	192,300	(37,000)	155,300	-19%
Campus Police	302,858	-	302,858	0%
Tuition Bond Transfers Out	1,952,500	(1,500)	1,951,000	0%
Miscellaneous	550,350	1,507	551,857	0%
Deferred Maintenance	-	1,435,000	1,435,000	100%
HB 8 Initiatives	-	250,000	250,000	100%
Total Non-Salary Expenses	29,486,015	5,081,382	34,567,397	17%
Contingency	1,728,456	150,487	1,878,943	9%
Total Proposed Expenses	\$ 115,230,382	\$ 10,032,495	\$ 125,262,877	9%

Proposed Debt Service Budget FY 2025

Revenues	Budget FY 2024	Increase/ (Decrease)	Proposed Budget FY 2025
Debt Service	\$ 20,788,438	\$ 3,750	\$ 20,792,188
Total Debt Service	\$ 20,788,438	\$ 3,750	\$ 20,792,188

Thank you!



ORDER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF THE
DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
BUDGETS
2024-2025

BE IT ORDERED by the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District (“District”) that,

WHEREAS, budgets for the Del Mar College District have been prepared and submitted to the Board of Regents of the District in the manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, a meeting has been called and held as a public hearing for the purpose of considering the adoption of a maintenance and operation budget and debt service budget, after public notice of such meeting as required by law; and

WHEREAS, all taxpayers and other persons of the District desiring to do so have been given the opportunity to be present and to participate in such hearing;

THEREFORE, that certain budgets presented to the Board at this meeting and filed among the official documents of this District, be and it is hereby adopted as the budgets for the Del Mar College District for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024 and ending August 31, 2025.

The foregoing Order was duly offered by _____, seconded by _____, and after discussion, was adopted by the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District at the meeting duly called and held in Corpus Christi, Texas, on August 27, 2024, at which _____ members were present, by the following vote: _____ for, _____ against and _____ abstaining.

Carol A. Scott, Chair
Board of Regents
Del Mar College District

ATTEST:

Rudy Garza, Jr., Secretary

(Seal)

Regular Agenda

Item 2

Date: August 27, 2024

To: Mark Escamilla, Ph.D., President and CEO

From: Raul Garcia, VP and CFO 

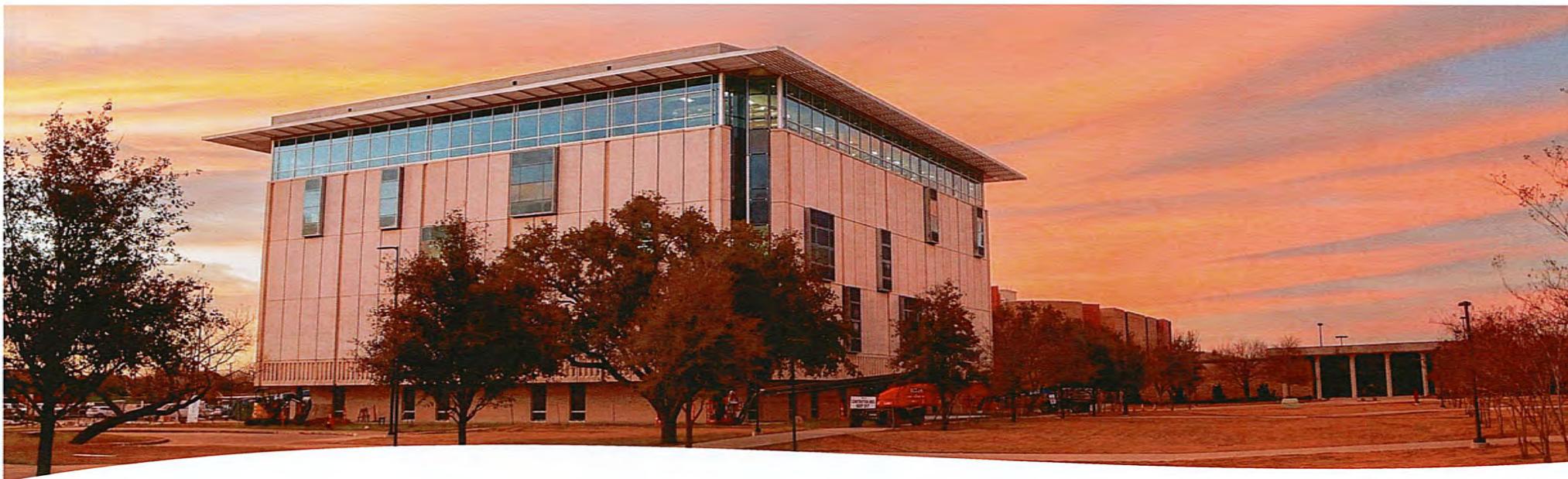
RE: Adoption of the 2024-2025 Tax Rates

The College conducted a Budget update on August 13, 2024, to review the proposed 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operations Budget and the proposed 2024-2025 Debt Service Budget, including the respective tax rates necessary to generate the ad valorem revenues to support each budget. The \$125,262,877 proposed Maintenance and Operations Budget has a proposed M & O Tax Rate of \$0.204382 per \$100 of taxable value. The \$20,792,188 proposed Debt Service Budget has a proposed Debt Service Tax Rate of \$0.057358 per \$100 of taxable value.

The proposed Combined Tax Rate for 2024-2025 is \$0.261740 per \$100 taxable value, which is \$0.024738 more than the previous year. This combined tax rate represents a 2.15% increase in total tax revenues (percentage by which the proposed tax rate exceeds the no-new revenue tax rate calculated under Chapter 26, Texas Tax Code) from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year due to the decrease in appraisal values within the College District.

The appropriate Public Notices of Tax Revenues Increases have been published. The College held a Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rates on Tuesday, August 27, at 12:00 p.m., to receive public comments.

Action Item: Discussion and possible action related to the Order of the Board of Regents of Del Mar College District: Tax Rates for 2024-2025.



Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Tax Rates Public Hearing

August 27, 2024

Raul Garcia, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

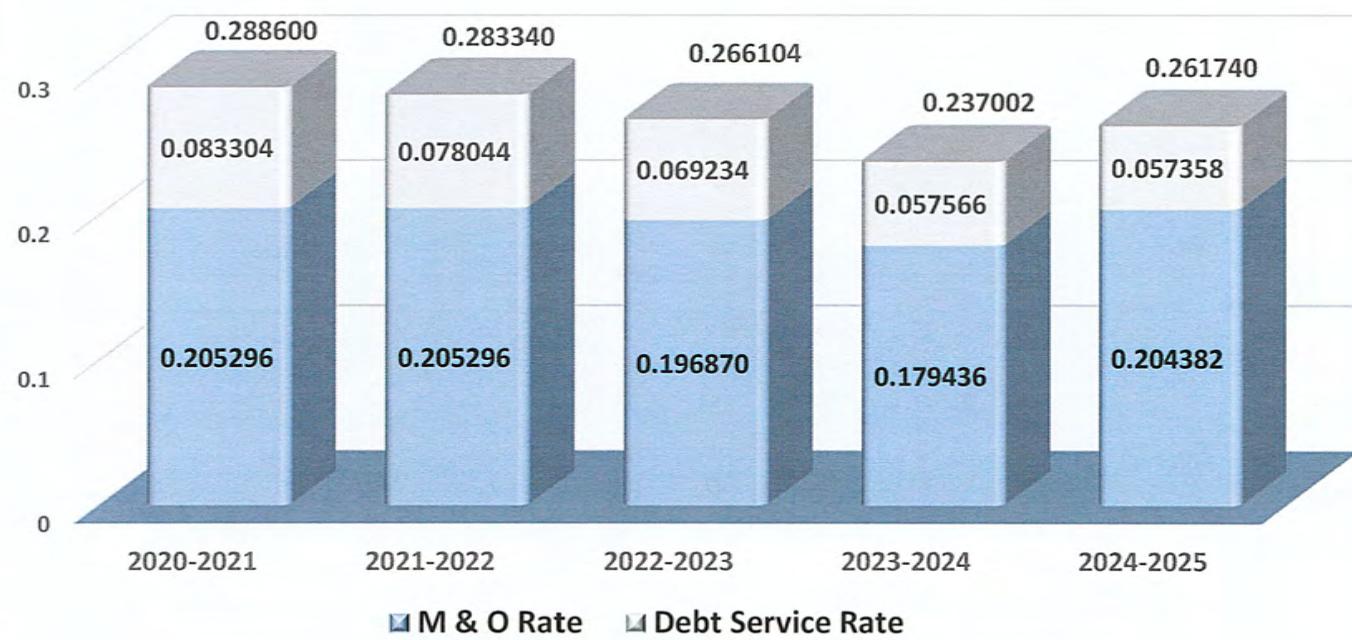


Agenda

- Proposed Property Tax Rate & History
- Proposed Property Tax Revenue
- Questions



Proposed Property Tax Rate & History



Annual Homeowner	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Property Tax	\$ 526	\$ 516	\$ 534	\$ 532	\$ 644

*Based on 2023 Average Taxable Homestead Value of \$245,920

Proposed Property Tax Revenue FY 2025

Revenues	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
M & O	\$ 58,222,474	\$ 60,390,356	\$ 65,556,443	\$ 65,068,806	\$ 75,055,641
Debt Service	23,476,669	22,761,988	22,518,888	20,788,438	20,792,188
Total Property Tax Revenues	\$ 81,699,143	\$ 83,152,344	\$ 88,075,331	\$ 85,857,244	\$ 95,847,829
Total Combined Tax Rates	0.288600	0.283340	0.266104	0.237002	0.261740

Thank you!



ORDER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF THE
DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
(2024 TAX RATE)

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents (“Board”) of the Del Mar College District has duly and properly considered a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 2024 by 2.15 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Board has duly and properly called and held the public hearing required by the Texas Property Tax Code (“Code”) after giving the public notice required by the Code and by law; and

WHEREAS, all taxpayers and other persons desiring to do so have been given the opportunity to be present and to participate in such hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board has duly and properly given and published notice of these meetings as required by law;

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Board hereby approves and adopts the proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 2.15 percent, thereby increasing the total combined tax rate to be levied for 2024 to Twenty-Six and 1740/10,000 (\$0.261740) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) property valuation in the District. **THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 4.97 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$24.94.**

The foregoing Order was duly offered by _____ seconded by _____, and after discussion, was adopted by the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District at a meeting duly called and held in Corpus Christi, Texas on August 27, 2024, at which _____ members were present, by the following vote: _____ for, _____ against and _____ abstaining.

ATTEST:

Rudy Garza, Jr., Secretary

Carol A. Scott, Chair

(Seal)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, by Carol A. Scott, Chair, Board of Regents, on this the 27th day of August 2024, to certify which witness my signature and seal of office.

Jessica A. Alaniz
Notary Public, State of Texas

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF THE
DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
(2024 TAX LEVY)

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District ("Board") is responsible for the levy of taxes in accordance with Texas law;

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Board that the following taxes are hereby levied for the year 2024 on all property, real, personal and mixed, located within the boundaries of the Del Mar College District and subject to taxation by it for the year 2024 under the laws of this State, and of the United States; a total ad valorem tax of Twenty-Six and 1740/10,000 Cents (\$0.261740) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) property valuation in the District, for the purposes and in the specific amounts which follow:

I.

An ad valorem tax of Twenty and 4382/10,000 Cents (\$0.204382) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) property valuation for the local maintenance fund of the Del Mar College District.

II.

An ad valorem tax of Five and 7358/10,000 Cents (\$0.057358) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) property valuation for the interest and sinking fund of the Del Mar College District Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (\$9,010,000); Del Mar College District Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (\$23,580,000); Del Mar College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (\$67,645,000); Del Mar District Tax Bonds, Series 2017 (\$9,070,000); Del Mar College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2018A (\$44,275,000); Del Mar College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2018B (\$57,305,000); Del Mar College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A (\$22,150,000); and Del Mar College District Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2020B (\$56,285,000).

The foregoing Order was duly offered by _____, seconded by _____, and after discussion, was adopted by the Board of regents of the Del Mar College District at a meeting duly called and held in Corpus Christi, Texas, on August 27, 2024, at which _____ members were present, by the following vote: _____ for, _____ against and _____ abstaining.

ATTEST:

Rudy Garza, Jr., Secretary

Carol A. Scott, Chair

(Seal)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, by Carol A. Scott, Chair, Board of Regents, on this the 27th day of August, 2024, to certify which witness my signature and seal of office.

Jessica A. Alaniz
Notary Public, State of Texas

Regular Agenda

Item 3

Date: August 27, 2024

To: Mark Escamilla, Ph.D., President and CEO

From: Raul Garcia, VP and CFO 

RE: Resolution Adopting the 2024-2025 Tax Exemptions

The Del Mar College Board of Regents must annually approve those individuals and organizations that will be granted specific tax exemptions. Traditionally, the College has provided the following tax exemptions:

1) Homestead Exemption	\$5,000
2) Persons 65 years or older	\$50,000
3) Qualified Disabled Veterans	Statutory Exemption
4) Person under 65 years, qualified disability benefits	\$50,000
5) Qualified Charitable Organizations	Statutory Exemption

Action Item: Discussion and possible action related to the Resolution of the Board of Regents of Del Mar College District: Tax Exemptions for 2024-2025.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF THE
DEL MAR COLLEGE DISTRICT
(2024 TAX EXEMPTIONS)

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District (“Board”) is responsible for granting certain tax exemptions under Texas law;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the tax year 2024 all persons who qualify by law are granted an exemption in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) of the appraised value of their homestead property; and,

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that for the tax year 2024 persons of the age of sixty-five (65) or older are granted an additional exemption in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) of the appraised value of their homestead property, and qualified disabled veterans and qualified charitable organizations are granted the statutory exemption; and,

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that for the tax year 2024 each person under sixty-five (65) years of age who is qualified for the payment of disability insurance benefits as defined under Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (or its successor) is hereby granted an additional exemption from taxation, in accordance with Section 11.13(d) of the Property Tax Code (“Code”), the total amount of which is equal to Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) of the appraised value of such person’s residence homestead property, as that term is defined by the State Constitution and law, provided the owner of such residence homestead property, or his or her duly authorized agent or attorney, applies at the office of the Nueces County Tax Appraisal District for said exemption in accord with the requirements established by the Tax Assessor-Collector or the Nueces County Tax Appraisal District, as permitted by law; and,

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that for the tax year 2024 each disabled veteran is entitled to the mandatory exemption provided in Section 11.22 of the Code; and,

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that for the tax year 2024 each qualified charitable organization that has been granted exemption by the City of Corpus Christi is entitled to the tax exemption provided under Section 11.184 of the Texas Tax Code.

The foregoing Resolution was duly offered by _____, seconded by _____, and after discussion, was adopted by the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District at a meeting duly called and held in Corpus Christi, Texas, on August 27, 2024, at which _____ members were present, by the following vote: _____ for, _____ against and _____ abstaining.

ATTEST:

Rudy Garza, Jr., Secretary

(Seal)

Carol A. Scott, Chair
Board of Regents
Del Mar College

SIGNED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, by Carol A. Scott, Chair, Board of Regents, on this the 27th day of August, 2024, to certify which witness my signature and seal of office.

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