A Public Hearing was held September 11, 2023, in the Groves City Council Chamber with the following councilmembers present: Mayor Chris Borne, Mayor Pro Tem Mark McAdams, Councilmember Paul Oliver, Councilmember Rhonda Dugas and Councilmember Rob Vensel.

Mayor Borne called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., reading the Notice of a Public Hearing as follows: "Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase. A Public Hearing on the proposed Tax Rate will be held on September 11, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Chambers, 3947 Lincoln Ave., Groves, Tx 77619. A tax rate of \$0.609690 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Groves. Mayor Borne also stated the Proposed Tax Rate \$0.609690 per \$100, No-New-Revenue Tax Rate \$0.570057 per \$100 and Voter-Approval Tax Rate \$0.609691 per \$100."

Finance Director Lamar Ozley approached Council and stated that this is the third and final Public Hearing regarding the budget and tax rate. Mr. Ozley then stated that after this Public Hearing there is a regular City Council Meeting and that is where the vote will be taken for the budget and tax rate. Mr. Ozley also stated that this Public Hearing is for the citizens to be able to state their opinions on whether they are for or against the proposed tax rate or any other items concerning the budget.

Mayor Borne asked for citizens of Groves wishing to speak for the proposed tax rate and there were none.

Mayor Borne asked for citizens of Groves wishing to speak against the proposed tax rate and there were none.

Mayor Borne stated that the City Council of Groves will vote on the proposed tax rate today during the regularly scheduled City Council meeting immediately following the Public Hearing as listed on the prospective agenda.

There was no further business and Mayor Borne adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk