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NEWS RELEASE

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HIDALGO COUNTY AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT 1 TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED 2014 TAX RATES

EDINBURG – Hidalgo County Commissioners and the Drainage District #1 will each hold Public Hearings, beginning tomorrow during their regularly scheduled meetings.

Hidalgo County's current tax rate is \$0.59 per \$100 valuation. The Drainage District's current tax rate is \$0.095 per \$100. What this means for homeowners is if your home is valued at \$100,000, you will pay \$590 for Hidalgo County and \$95 for the Drainage District.

Although the tax rate is not increasing, the county expects to receive a slight increase in revenue – of about 1.24 % – to its budget due to increased property values.

The public hearings are as follows:

Drainage District #1: 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 and Tuesday, Sept. 23
County: 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 and Tuesday, Sept. 23

Both will take place at the Edinburg City Hall, 415 W. University, in the Council Chambers.

Hidalgo County Commissioners Court and the Drainage District #1 approved the proposed Property Tax Rate of \$0.59 and \$0.095 per \$100, respectively, at their meetings held August, 25.

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Hidalgo County is home to one of the fastest growing regions in the nation. We provide health and justice to the 807,000 residents of our county as well as a variety of services to residents who live outside city limits. We partner with the cities in our county on services, special projects and economic development. We strive to be accessible and responsive to our citizens. We are committed to providing excellent public service through the values of leadership, transparency, collaboration, fairness, respect and fiscal responsibility. To see your County government in action, learn more about the services we provide, and connect with your Commissioner please visit our web site or watch our videos online at www.co.hidalgo.tx.us and attend Commissioners Court meetings, held every other Tuesday at the Edinburg City Council Chambers.

Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

Ramon Garcia
County Judge

A. C. Cuellar, Jr.
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Hector "Tito" Palacios
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Joe M. Flores
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Joseph Palacios
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