

RESOLUTION 22-2023

RESOLUTION OF CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT DISAPPROVING OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT FY2024 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of Caldwell County are experiencing rising costs and expenses that constitute an increasing financial burden on themselves and their families;

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of Caldwell County are entitled to cost-efficient administration and budgeting by local political subdivisions;

WHEREAS, the Caldwell County Appraisal District ("CCAD"), pursuant to Section 6.06 of the Texas Tax Code, has the authority to set its own budget subject to the disapproval of local taxing entities, which is ultimately paid by the taxpayers of Caldwell County;

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2022, the CCAD adopted a budget that included, among a series of other salary increases for CCAD personnel, an approximately 41% raise for the Chief Appraiser. These raises constituted an average increase of approximately 16.6%, and a median raise of approximately 21.6%.

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023, the CCAD adopted a budget that included an additional 5% salary increase for the CCAD personnel;

WHEREAS, in this two-year period alone, the CCAD salary increases constitute an approximately 48% raise for the Chief Appraiser, and a 53% raise for the Deputy Chief Appraiser. All personnel raises taken together during this two-year period constitute an average increase of approximately 22%, and a median raise of approximately 18%;

WHEREAS, ultimately, the taxpayers of Caldwell County bear the burden of any increased CCAD budget; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Caldwell County, in acknowledgement of the limited resources of its taxpayers, has refrained from such extreme salary increases in order to continue to provide County services to the taxpayers of Caldwell County. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT the Commissioners Court hereby disapproves of the Caldwell County Appraisal District's Adopted 2024 Appraisal District Budget, pursuant to Section 6.06(b).

RESOLVED this the 11th day of July , 2023.

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