May 2, 2022

RE: 2022 DeWitt County Property Values / Notices of Appraised Value

DeWitt County Property Owners:

As you may know, the Texas real estate market has seen unprecedented growth for many years, and DeWitt County has not been immune to this economic trend. This week, the DeWitt County Appraisal District mailed approximately 16,000 Notices of Appraised Value to county residents. Many of you will see increases in the value of your property.

It is the goal of the DeWitt County Appraisal District to ensure all property is valued fairly and equally according to Texas State Law.

State law requires all appraisal districts to value property at 100% of market value, or what it would likely sell for, as of January 1st each year. To comply, the DeWitt County Appraisal District analyzes multiple years of sales information, physical property inspections, and market research to identify value trends in all types of residential, agricultural and commercial properties within DeWitt County. Based on these findings, annual adjustments to property valuations are often made.

If you disagree with your 2022 appraised value, you have the right to protest! A protest form is included with each Notice of Appraised Value and can be submitted to us in the following ways:

- 1.) Online: www.dewittcad.org
- 2.) Mail: DeWitt County Appraisal District at 103 E Bailey St, Cuero, TX 77954
- 3.) Fax: (361) 275-9227
- 4.) Email: <u>dewittapprdist@gmail.com</u>
- 5.) In person: 103 E Bailey St in Cuero, Texas, Monday Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM

We close our office to the public at 4:45 PM daily for cleaning and disinfection of public areas.

In addition to protesting your property value, you have the opportunity to vote in the May 7, 2022 election, for or against two Texas State Constitutional Amendments that could potentially affect your property taxes.

Proposition 1 will adjust tax ceilings for property owners with an Over 65 or Disabled Person exemption.

Proposition 2 will increase school district valuation exemption amounts for a property owner's homestead, from the current \$25,000 to \$40,000.

More information can be found at the Texas Secretary of State Website: https://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/voter/2022mayballotlang.shtml

If you have questions regarding your property, please contact us, we will do our absolute best to help!

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