



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** June 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Approve an agreement with the Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector for tax assessment and collection services of ad valorem taxes for Tax Years 2025, 2026, and 2027.

PRESENTER: Chase Fosse, Director of Budget & Research

SUMMARY:

Since 1993, Tarrant County has provided tax assessment and collection services for the City of North Richland Hills. Staff requests that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Tarrant County in order to continue the provision of these services for Tax Years 2025, 2026, and 2027.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector has submitted a three-year agreement for property tax collection services for Tax Years 2025, 2026, and 2027. The county has collected property taxes for the City of North Richland Hills since October 1993. During this time, staff has been pleased with the county's performance, customer service, and the cost savings realized by the city. A copy of the agreement is attached for Council consideration.

The proposed rate for Tax Years 2025, 2026, and 2027 is \$1.07 per account, which is an increase from the \$0.98 charged per account since Tax Year 2017. The rate charged is based on the Tarrant County Tax Assessor/Collector's actual cost for tax collection. The estimated number of accounts based on the preliminary tax roll received in May 2025 is 64,498. This is an increase of 419 accounts compared to the July 2024 Certified Tax Roll. Based on the number of accounts identified in the May 2025 preliminary tax roll, the total estimated cost for this service is approximately \$69,100 for Tax Year 2025.

Staff believes the service provided by the Tax Assessor/Collector remains a good value. It would not be possible for the City of North Richland Hills to conduct the same service for the amount charged by Tarrant County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Tarrant County for tax assessment and collection services of ad valorem taxes for Tax Years 2025, 2026, and 2027.