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- REJECT the scare tactics!
- We will PRESERVE ambulances!
- Largest TAX INCREASE in Pflugerville history!
- Catastrophic Financial INCOMPETENCE!





**Reject The Scare Tactics!** We will <u>preserve</u> ambulance services! Pflugerville included funding in the current budget for ambulance services. If ESD 17 is voted down, then ESD 2 will have to work with City Council and Travis County for a reasonable plan to provide the current emergency services without an additional tax burden for the citizens.

Largest Tax Increase In The History Of Pflugerville! Will cost us over \$10 MILLION EVERY YEAR! We already pay 1) ESD property taxes, 2) sales taxes, & 3) County taxes - we don't need to pay 4 times for the same service! Pflugerville is subsidizing the cost of service to Austin ETJ - 20% of the area but 46% of the calls! That's -26% return!

**Fire Dept Has \$\$ For Ambulances Without New Tax!** ESD 2 is very **well funded!** The **reserves** increased from \$10 MILLION in 2016 to \$20 MILLION in 2020 - **100% increase** since ambulance services were added! Revenues have risen **5 times faster** than population! **Irresponsible expansion plans** and a **\$10 MILLION math error** are the only reasons ESD 2 forecasts they need more tax revenue. **It's just a money grab!!** 

**Vote No to Annexation & Double Tax!** The City Council and Mayor **unanimously opposed annexation** into ESD 17. If the ESD 2 Board irresponsibly chooses to stop ambulance services for the Pflugerville area, **our elected City officials already have a responsible plan and funding in place!** 

Unelected Board - You Can't Vote Them Out! ESD 17 represents Austin ETJ - not Pflugerville. ESD Boards are unaccountable to the citizens! ESD 2 failed to work with PF City Council on options or to correct math errors in their false claims of financial hardship and they lost our two County ambulances by not working with the County! We need responsible leadership that will listen to citizens!

## **CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSES ESD 17 ANNEXATION & TAX**



"We've got enough [TAXES], we don't need to GRAB for more."

Rico Reyes, ESD 2 Vice President



"You are not going to be without ambulance services, contrary to the signs you have read that say that ambulances will be discontinued in 2021. That is not true and I can guarantee you that."

Victor Gonzales, Pflugerville Mayor



"The city will not go without EMS and ambulance services."

Rudy Metayer, Pflugerville Councilmember & former ESD 2 Board Member



"New tax to be managed by an [ESD] board of unelected officials, they want the voters to vote on this, but never to be able to vote again on their governance."

Selena Xie, President of Austin EMS Association



"Simple budget things that can be done here that do not require taxpayer funding"

AP Triton Consulting, Independent Fire & EMS expert



"ESD 2 has adequate funding for the next 5-10 years. If ESD 2 chooses not to provide ambulance services, there are four other long-term options."

Statement from the City of Pflugerville