

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

ORDER NO. 23-1

RESOLUTION AND ORDER CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF ADOPTION BY THE DISTRICT OF A SALES AND USE TAX PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 775, HEALTH & SAFETY CODE

WHEREAS, Texas Health & Safety Code § 775.0751, *et seq.*, permits a district operating under Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code to adopt a sales and use tax; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners of Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 2 ("District") held a meeting called and conducted pursuant to all applicable law, including the Texas Open Meetings Act, on July 20, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Board, in calling for this election excludes from the election and the applicability of any proposed sales and use tax any territory in the District where the sales and use tax is then at two percent, pursuant to applicable law; and,

WHEREAS, at its meeting held on July 20, 2023, the District ordered such an election pursuant to Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code, and other applicable law, to be held on November 7, 2023:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 THAT:

Section 1. That the statements contained in the preamble to this Resolution and Order are true and correct and are adopted as findings of fact and law hereby.

Section 2. The District shall hold an election on November 7, 2023 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the polling locations and precincts common to the District and set forth and established by the Williamson County Commissioners Court, or as otherwise determined by applicable law, with all applicable early and absentee voting places determined by the District in conjunction with its agreement with the Williamson County Elections Administrator, and as required by law or further notice. The location of the main early voting by personal appearance polling place shall be those locations as designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator, pursuant to that certain agreement between the District and the Williamson County Elections Administrator. The District's Early Voting Clerk shall be Christopher Davis, Williamson County Elections Administrator, or designee, whose official mailing address is 301 SE Inner Loop, Suite 104, Georgetown, Texas 78626. The District's Election Official is Jordan Baltazor, President of the District, whose official mailing address is 16248 Great Oaks Dr., Round Rock, Texas 78681. The Election Official is hereby empowered to execute any and all necessary documents and take any and all necessary actions to effect the election ordered herein.

The Presiding Election Judge and the Alternate Election Judge shall be those as designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator, pursuant to that certain agreement between the District and the Office of the Williamson County Elections Administrator.

Section 3. The early voting shall be held as designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator or the District at those locations and times to be determined.

Section 4. Pursuant to Texas Election Code § 42.061, the District adopts the precincts of Williamson County located within its territorial limits as its precincts for this election and pursuant to the agreement with the Williamson County Elections Administrator who will be conducting the election. The District shall follow all applicable bilingual procedures in the election. The District may consolidate some of these precincts upon the advice of the Williamson County Elections Administrator and pursuant to that certain agreement between the District and the Office of the Williamson County Elections Administrator.

Section 5. The voting at said election shall be by voting systems utilized by Williamson County, and such ballots for the election shall be printed in English and Spanish to permit voting for or against the proposition:

“The adoption of a local sales and use tax in Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 2 at a rate not to exceed two percent in any location in the District.”

Section 6. The appropriate officers of the District, and its attorney, are hereby authorized and directed to coordinate and oversee this election, and the Williamson County Elections Administrator, and its appropriate officers, is hereby appointed to assist the District in the coordination and oversight of this election pursuant to that certain interlocal agreement executed by and between the District and Williamson County.

Section 7. Notice and/or Order of this election, in substantially the form promulgated by the Texas Secretary of State or other applicable law, and in Spanish translation thereof, shall be issued and given in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. The District reserves the right to amend this order as necessary to conduct this election pursuant to applicable law and in compliance with the Williamson County Elections Administrator or other appropriate authorities having jurisdiction.

Section 9. In compliance with applicable law, and for the applicability of the sales and use tax, if approved by the voters, the District excludes from the election and the applicability of any proposed sales and use tax any territory in the District where the sales and use tax is at then two percent. Further, the Board has provided all required notice to the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas as required by applicable law.

RESOLVED AND ORDERED this 20th day of July, 2023.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

By:  _____, President
Election Official

ATTEST:

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Secretary