

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF TARRANT COUNTY:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in Tarrant County as provided in an order calling a bond election duly passed by the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, which order is substantially as follows:

ORDER CALLING BOND ELECTION

**STATE OF TEXAS
TARRANT COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court (the “Commissioners Court”) of Tarrant County (the “County”) deems it advisable to call the bond election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purposes of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY:

Section 1. *Recitals.* The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. *Election Called.* A special bond election (the “Election”) shall be held in the County between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on November 2, 2021 (“Election Day”), at the designated polling places as set forth in **Exhibit A** hereto. **Exhibit A** shall be automatically modified without further action of the Commissioners Court to include additional or different Election Day polling places designated by the Elections Administrator.

Section 3. *Early Voting.* Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 18, 2021 and conclude on October 29, 2021, and will be conducted at the early voting locations on the dates and at the times, and to be conducted by the judge and clerk, all as specified on **Exhibit A** hereto. The early voting polling places shall remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the County at such voting place. **Exhibit A** shall be modified to include additional or different early voting polling places, dates and times designated by the Elections Administrator.

Section 4. *Conduct of Election; Election Officials.* The Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code (the “Code”) and other applicable law by the Tarrant County Elections Administrator (the “Elections Administrator”). The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the Elections Administrator, in accordance with the election contract with the Elections Administrator and the Code. The Elections Administrator may employ other personnel necessary for the proper

administration of the Election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the Election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during early voting and on Election Day, and for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station.

Section 5. *Deadline for Applications by Mail.* Applications for voting by mail submitted by County residents must be received no later than the close of business on October 22, 2021. Applications for voting by mail shall be e-mailed including a completed application, signed with the voter's original signature and scanned to votebymail@tarrantcounty.com, faxed to (817) 850-2344, or mailed to:

Tarrant County Elections
PO Box 961011
Fort Worth, Texas 76161

If an application to vote by mail is made by personal delivery, the application must be delivered by the close of business on October 22, 2021 to Tarrant County Elections, 2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76111. For an application for ballot by mail submitted by e-mail or fax to be effective, the application also must be submitted by mail and be received by the early voting clerk not later than the fourth business day after the transmission by e-mail or fax is received.

Section 6. *Early Voting Ballots.* An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Elections Administrator. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

Section 7. *Qualified Voters.* All qualified electors of and residing in the County shall be entitled to vote at the election.

Section 8. *Propositions.* At the Election the following PROPOSITIONS shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION A

SHALL THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS, BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE BONDS OF SAID COUNTY IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$400,000,000 FOR PURCHASING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, REHABILITATING, IMPROVING AND MAINTAINING STREETS, ROADS, HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES WITHIN TARRANT COUNTY, INCLUDING CITY, STATE AND COUNTY STREETS, ROADS, HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES AND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF LAND AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY THEREFOR; SUCH BONDS TO MATURE SERIALY OR OTHERWISE OVER A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED FORTY (40) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF EACH SERIES OF BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW, TO BE ISSUED IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OR ISSUES AT ANY PRICE OR PRICES AND TO BEAR INTEREST AT ANY RATE OR RATES

information, but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds, or any series thereof, may be sold.

F. If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature over a period not to exceed 40 years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds.

G. The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the County's debt obligations secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes as of the date of this Order is \$213,675,000.

H. The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the County's debt obligations secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes as of the date of this Order is \$38,960,777.

I. The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the County for the 2021-2022 fiscal year is \$0.015447 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

Section 12. Website. The internet website for the County is www.tarrantcounty.com.

Section 13. Posting Requirements. The County Clerk is authorized to give or cause to be given notices required for the election, and to take such other and further action as is required to conduct the election in compliance with the Code.

In accordance with provisions of the Code, the forms of voter information documents pertaining to propositions to be voted on at the Election are attached hereto as **Exhibit B** (the "Voter Information Documents"). A substantial copy of this Order and the Voter Information Documents (each as may be modified without further Commissioners Court action in a manner that is consistent with the calling of the Election and the election notice requirements of the Code applicable to the Election, including any proclamations by the Governor) shall serve as proper notice of the election and the voter information documents required by Section 1251.052(b), Texas Government Code, respectively. The County Clerk is authorized to give or cause to be given the following to be posted and published in accordance with law:

A. A substantial copy of this Order, with such omissions authorized by law, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, on the same day in each of two successive weeks with the first publication occurring not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day or later than the fourteenth (14th) day prior to the day of the Election;

B. This Order and the Voter Information Documents shall be posted not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the Election (i) on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Commissioner's Court (and also at the County's courthouse if such bulletin board is located elsewhere) and (ii) at three other places in the County;

C. This Order and the Voter Information Documents shall be posted on election day and during early voting by personal appearance, in a prominent location at each polling place; and

D. This Order, the Voter Information Documents and any sample ballot prepared for the Election shall be posted during the 21 days before the election, prominently on the County's Internet website.

Each of this Order and the Voter Information Documents shall be published and/or posted, as provided above, in both English, Spanish and Vietnamese translations. All notices provided as required by this Order shall be modified as necessary to take into account any future proclamations issued by the Governor impacting the Election.

Section 14. *Severability Provision.* If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Order, or the application of the same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, invalid or unenforceable, neither the remaining portions of this Order nor their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall be affected thereby, it being the intent of the Commissioners Court in adopting this Order that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness, invalidity or unenforceability of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this Order are declared to be severable for that purpose.

Section 15. *Effective Date.* In accordance with the provisions of Section 1201.028 of the Texas Government Code, this Order shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by the Commissioners Court on the first and final reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 10th day of August, 2021.

EXHIBIT A

Polling Locations and Hours

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EXHIBIT B

Voter Information Document

TARRANT COUNTY SPECIAL ELECTION
TARRANT COUNTY PROPOSITION A

FOR _____) THE ISSUANCE OF \$400,000,000 OF TARRANT COUNTY,
) TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR
) PURCHASING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING,
 AGAINST _____) RENOVATING, REHABILITATING, IMPROVING AND
) MAINTAINING STREETS, ROADS, HIGHWAYS AND
) BRIDGES WITHIN TARRANT COUNTY, INCLUDING
 CITY, COUNTY AND STATE STREETS, ROADS,
 HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES, AND THE IMPOSITION OF A
 TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND
 INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

Principal amount of debt obligations to be authorized:	\$400,000,000
Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized presuming an interest rate of 4.40%:	\$220,567,607
Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be amortized over 26 years:	\$620,567,607
As of the date the election was ordered, principal amount of all outstanding debt obligations:	\$213,675,000
As of the date the election was ordered, the estimated interest amount of all outstanding debt obligations:	\$38,960,777
As of the date the election was ordered, the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full all outstanding debt obligations:	\$252,635,777
Estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes on a residence homestead with an appraised values of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be authorized, if approved. This figure assumes: the amortization of the County's debt obligations over a period of 26 years, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations; changes in estimated future appraised values within the County based on a growth of the County's taxable assessed valuation at a rate of 5% in years 2023 through 2029 and 0% thereafter; and the assumed interest rate on the proposed debt obligations set forth above.	\$0

EXHIBIT B, Continued

Voter Information Document

TARRANT COUNTY SPECIAL ELECTION
TARRANT COUNTY PROPOSITION B

FOR _____)
 AGAINST _____)

) THE ISSUANCE OF \$116,000,000 OF TARRANT COUNTY,
) TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR
) PURCHASING, CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING AND
) EQUIPPING A CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE
) BUILDING TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR PROSECUTORIAL
) EFFORTS AND FOR OTHER NON-JUDICIAL COUNTY
) ACTIVITIES, AND FACILITIES IN SUPPORT THEREOF, AND
) THE PURCHASE OR IMPROVEMENT OF SITES THEREFOR,
) AND THE IMPOSITION OF A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY
) THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

Principal amount of debt obligations to be authorized:	\$116,000,000
Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized presuming an interest rate of 4.40%:	\$63,964,606
Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be amortized over 26 years:	\$179,964,606
As of the date the election was ordered, principal amount of all outstanding debt obligations:	\$213,675,000
As of the date the election was ordered, the estimated interest amount of all outstanding debt obligations:	\$38,960,777
As of the date the election was ordered, the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full all outstanding debt obligations:	\$252,635,777
Estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes on a residence homestead with an appraised values of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be authorized, if approved. This figure assumes: the amortization of the County's debt obligations over a period of 26 years, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations; changes in estimated future appraised values within the County based on a growth of the County's taxable assessed valuation at a rate of 5% in years 2023 through 2029 and 0% thereafter; and the assumed interest rate on the proposed debt obligations set forth above.	\$0