

BE IT ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MARION COUNTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: An election shall be held on the 2nd day of November, 2021, within the boundaries of the proposed District set forth in Section 2 hereof, which date is not less than seventy-eight (78) days from the date of the adoption hereof and is a uniform election date pursuant to Texas Election Code, Section 41.001, for the purpose of submitting the following measure:

"SHALL the Marion County Assistance District (with boundaries being all portions of the territory situated in Marion County, Texas excluding all territory within the municipal limits of the City of Jefferson, Texas) be created and a sales and use tax at the rate of 1.50 percent be imposed for the purpose of financing the operations of the District "

SECTION 2: The boundaries of the proposed District shall be all portions of the territory of Marion County, Texas excluding all territory within the municipal limits of the City of Jefferson, Texas.

SECTION 3: In accordance with the provisions of an election services contract (the "Contract") with the Marion County Clerk, the location, dates and times for early voting for this election shall be as shown in **Exhibit A**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof for all purposes. Vickie Smith, Marion County Clerk, is hereby appointed early voting clerk and shall appoint and designate deputy clerks for early voting in accordance with the Contract.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers for the early voting ballot board for this election shall be appointed and designated in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

SECTION 4: The Election Day Vote Centers are as shown in **Exhibit B** attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof for all purposes. The election officers for each Vote Center and the maximum number of clerks shall be determined and appointed in accordance with the Contract.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers for the early voting ballot board for this election shall be appointed and designated in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

On election day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SECTION 5: A voting system or systems meeting the standards and requirements of the Texas Election Code, as amended, is hereby adopted and approved for early voting by personal appearance and by mail and for election day voting.

Ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code, and permit electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid measure which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

MARION COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT PROPOSITION A

"AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE MARION COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT AND THE IMPOSITION OF A SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF 1.50 PERCENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE OPERATIONS OF THE DISTRICT"

SECTION 6: The Central Counting Station for the tabulation and counting of ballots for this election shall be located at the Marion County Courthouse, 102 W. Austin Street, Jefferson, Texas, and the persons to serve as Manager, Tabulation Supervisor, Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge at the Central Counting Station shall be appointed in accordance with the Contract. The Manager and Presiding Judge of the Central Counting Station may appoint clerks to serve at such Station, as provided by Section 127.006 of the Election Code.

SECTION 7: All resident qualified electors within the boundaries of the proposed district shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and the Act, and as may be required by law, all election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 8: Notice of election, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, with such publication occurring not more than 30 days and not less than 10 days before Election Day. Additionally, the notice shall be posted (i) on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the Commissioners Court meetings.

SECTION 9: The County Judge, County Clerk, County Auditor or other appropriate official, is hereby authorized to correct, modify or change the information herein based upon the final locations and times agreed upon by and between the Marion County Clerk and the County Judge. Additionally, the County Judge and other County officials are hereby authorized to sign this Order and all other documents associated with the election.

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YOU WILL, THEREFORE, take notice of all the matters and facts set out in the foregoing Notice of Election.

//s// Vickie Smith, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court,
Marion County, Texas

EXHIBIT A

MARION COUNTY EARLY VOTING LOCATION, DATES AND HOURS

Early voting for this election shall begin on Monday, October 18, 2021 and end on Friday, October 29, 2021, and the dates and hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be as set forth below:

Main Early Voting Polling Place, Dates and Times

Marion County Election Building
504 N. Alley
Jefferson, Texas 75657

Dates

Monday, October 18, 2021 through Friday, October 22, 2021
Monday, October 25, 2021 through Friday, October 29, 2021

Hours

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Early Voting By Mail

Applications for voting by mail should be received (not post marked) no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on October 22, 2021. Applications should be sent to:

Early Voting Clerk
Vickie Smith, Marion County Clerk
102 W. Austin St., Room 206
Jefferson, TX 75657
fax: (903) 665-7936
email: vickie.smith@co.marion.tx.us

If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original application so that the early voting clerk receives the original no later than four days after receiving the emailed or faxed copy.

EXHIBIT B

ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS

Election Day: November 2, 2021

Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Marion County participates in the Countywide Polling Place program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code. Registered voters in Marion County will be able to cast their Election Day ballots at any of the Vote Centers identified below and on the County's website.

| POLLING PLACE | ADDRESS | CITY |
|---|----------------|------------------------|
| Mims VFD | 9902 FM 729 | Avinger, Texas 75630 |
| Marion County Election Building | 504 N. Alley | Jefferson, Texas 75657 |
| Smithland VFD-Community Meeting Room | 8247 SH 49 E. | Jefferson, Texas 75657 |
| Lone Oak Baptist Church Fellowship Hall | 120 Watts Road | Jefferson, Texas 75657 |