

**ORDER CALLING ELECTION
TO CHANGE THE MAXIMUM AD VALOREM TAX RATE
WITHIN THE DISTRICT**

STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
COUNTY OF PALO PINTO §

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 775.0745 of the Texas Health & Safety Code, Palo Pinto County Emergency Services District No. 1 ("District") wishes to order an election to submit a proposition to increase the District's maximum ad valorem tax rate to eight cents (\$0.08) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to proceed with the ordering of an election for May 6, 2023, the next available uniform election date, and appointing election officials required for the conduct of the election, and has deemed it advisable to call the election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, the meeting to adopt this Order was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Government Code, as amended; and

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PALO PINTO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 THAT:

Section 1: The matters and facts set out in the recitals of this order are hereby found and declared to be true and complete.

Section 2: An election shall be held by the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 6, 2023, in the District at the Palo Pinto County precinct polling place locations within the boundaries of the District at which there shall be submitted the proposition of increasing the maximum ad valorem tax rate for all areas within the District to eight cents (\$0.08) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation.

Section 3: Voting in the election must be by the use of electronic ballots and must be available in both English and Spanish and conform to the requirements of the Texas Election Code. Oral bilingual assistance must be available during the election and may be obtained by contacting the presiding judge or the alternate presiding judge at the polling location.

Section 4: At the election, the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with the law:

PROPOSITION A: Authorizing an increase in the maximum ad valorem tax rate that Palo Pinto County Emergency Services District No. 1 may impose on property within the District to a rate not to exceed eight cents (\$0.08) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation.

Each voter may vote for or against the proposition by placing an "X" in the square beside the word "FOR" or in the square beside the word "AGAINST".

Section 5: The polling place for each such election precinct shall be the polling place established by Palo Pinto County for such election precincts in Palo Pinto County. Early voting dates, times, locations, and the election day polling locations are attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.

The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks for the election selected and appointed by Palo Pinto County in compliance with the requirements of state law are hereby designated and appointed election officers for the holding of this election. The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks shall perform the functions and duties of their respective positions that are provided by state law. Early voting in the election by personal appearance shall begin on April 24, 2023, and shall continue through May 2, 2023. The Clerk for Early Voting is Laura Watkins, and early voting will be conducted at polling locations established by Palo Pinto County for early voting.

The Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots to be voted by mail may be sent is: P.O. Box 275, Palo Pinto, Texas 76484. The early voting clerk's email address is laura.watkins@co.palo-pinto.tx.us.


Section 6: The election shall be held and conducted and returns made of this election in accordance with the Texas Election Code, as modified by Chapter 775 of the Texas Health & Safety Code.

Section 7: All qualified residents of the District shall be entitled to vote in the election.

Section 8: The Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to cause notice of this election to be published in both Spanish and English in a newspaper of general circulation in Palo Pinto County, Texas pursuant to § 4.003 of the Election Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of February 2023.

PALO PINTO COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

By: 
Mike Henderson, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Carolyn Land, Secretary
Board of Commissioners