

CITY OF SEMINOLE, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 711

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, TEXAS, TO BE HELD ON THE 8th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2022, FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX AT A RATE OF ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS, PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLLING PLACES; PROVIDING FOR A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH GAINES COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN JOINT ELECTION ARRANGEMENTS; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Seminole (City Council) seeks to proceed with the ordering of an election for Tuesday, November 8, 2022, the next 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 City of Seminole sees an important need for a street maintenance tax to improve the current state of the streets of the City of Seminole; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Seminole, Texas, finds it to be in the public interest to call a special election to be held on November 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority pursuant to Chapter 31, Texas Election Code, to enter into an election services contract with the Gaines County Election Officer to obtain certain election services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority pursuant to Chapter 271, Texas Election Code, to enter into joint election agreements with other political subdivisions holding elections on the same day in all or part of the same territory;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, TEXAS that:

SECTION 1. All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2. A special election is hereby ordered and will be held within the City of Seminole (the "City") on November 8, 2022, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., at 601 SW Avenue B, Seminole, Texas, for the purpose of the adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Seminole, Texas at the rate of one-half of one percent to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

SECTION 3. The official ballots for the election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

The adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Seminole, Texas, at the rate of one-half of one percent to provide for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

FOR ()

AGAINST ()

SECTION 4. Oral assistance in Spanish will be made available to all persons requiring such assistance. Any person requiring oral assistance in Spanish should contact the presiding judge or early voting clerk. Assistance will also be provided to other persons who are eligible for voter assistance under Section 64.031 of the Texas Election Code. Voter assistance will be given in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 5. Pursuant to Chapters 31 and 271, Texas Election Code, the City is authorized to enter into an election services contract with the Gaines County Election Officer to obtain certain election services; and

SECTION 6. The boundaries of the City, as it now exists are hereby established as and shall constitute one voting precinct. The polling place shall be the 405 NW 5th, Seminole Texas 79360.

The polls at the above designated polling place shall on election day be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SECTION 7.

- a. Early voting by personal appearance shall commence October 24, 2022 and shall continue until November 4, 2022 at the Gaines County Civic Center, located at 405 NW 5th , Seminole Texas.
- b. Early voting by mail, Patricia Roberson, Elections Administrator for Gaines County is hereby designated as Early Voting Clerk for the Election. Applications for early voting by mail may be delivered to the Early Voting Clerk at the following address: Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 847, Seminole, Texas 79360 not later than close of business on October 28, 2022. Early voting mail ballots shall be mailed to the Early Voting Clerk at the same address and shall be received not later than close of business on November 8, 2022.


SECTION 8. The election shall be held and conducted and returns made to the City Council of the city of Seminole in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 9. All resident, qualified electors of the City of Seminole shall be entitled to vote in the election.

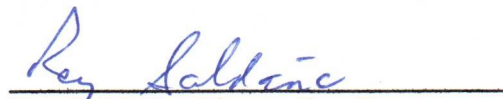
SECTION 10. Not later than the 21st day before election day, a copy of the notice which must include the location of each polling place shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the City Council of the city of Seminole. The notice shall remain posted continuously through election day. Notice of the election shall also be given by publishing the notice at least once, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day in the official newspaper of the City. Notice of the election shall be published in English and Spanish in the manner required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2022.

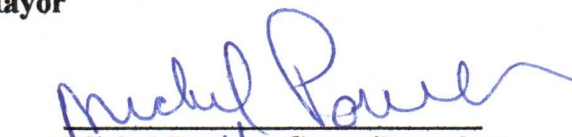
CITY OF SEMINOLE



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