

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT  
NO. 7**

**ORDER NO. 08-13-2020-01**

**RESOLUTION AND ORDER CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON  
THE ISSUE OF THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX BY  
THE DISTRICT 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, change the rate of, or abolish a sales and use tax; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners of Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 7 ("District") held a meeting called and conducted pursuant to all applicable law, including the Texas Open Meetings Act, on August 13 2020; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting held on August 13, 2020, the District ordered such an election to adopt a sales and use tax at the rate of two percent in the District pursuant to Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code, and other applicable law, to be held on November 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, within 30 days of the date for calling for said election, the Board will provide written or oral notice for informational purposes to the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, the only county in which the District is located, on the proposed adoption of the District's Sales and Use Tax called for herein, including the reasons for the proposed adoption; 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, including, but not limited to the City of Florence, pursuant to applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 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 hereby.

Section 2. The District shall hold an election on November 3, 2020 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 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, including voting on Saturdays and Sundays, as determined by the Williamson County Elections Administrator. The location of the main early voting by personal appearance polling places shall be as agreed between the Williamson County Elections Administrator and the District, and

those other locations as designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator, pursuant to that certain agreement between the District and Williamson County. The District's Early Voting Elections Administrator shall be Christopher J. Davis, Williamson County Elections Administrator, or his designees, whose official mailing address is 301 Southeast Inner Loop, Suite 104, Georgetown, Texas 78626. The District's Election Official is John Fenoglio, President of the District, whose official mailing address is P. O. Box 523, Florence, Texas 76527 or his designee. 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 Judges, the Alternate Election Judges, and other election officials shall be those as designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator or the District, pursuant to that certain agreement between the District and the Williamson County.

Section 3. The early voting shall be held at locations designated by the Williamson County Elections Administrator, at those locations and times to be determined, including voting on Saturdays and Sundays.

Section 4. Pursuant to Texas Election Code § 42.061, the District adopts the precincts of Williamson County located within its territorial limits and elsewhere as necessary as its precincts for this election and pursuant to the agreement with Williamson County, which will be conducting the election, unless otherwise further ordered by the District. 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 referenced herein.

Section 5. The Elections Administrator shall arrange for all election supplies and voting equipment including, but not limited to, Williamson County's electronic voting system and equipment, official ballots, sample ballots, voter registration lists, and all forms, signs, maps and other materials used by the election judges at the voting locations. The Elections Administrator shall ensure availability of tables and chairs at each polling place and shall procure rented tables and chairs for those polling places that do not have a sufficient number of tables and/or chairs. The Elections Administrator shall be responsible for conducting all required testing of the electronic equipment, as required by Chapters 127 and 129 of the Texas Election Code to permit voting for or against the proposition:

"The adoption of a local sales and use tax in Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 7 at the rate of two percent."

Section 6. The appropriate officers of the District 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. The District's attorney, Ken Campbell, is hereby authorized and empowered to take any actions and execute and deliver any documents necessary to carry out this election.

Section 7. Notice and/or Order of this election, in substantially the form attached hereto, 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 purposes of this election and 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 two percent, including, but not limited to, the City of Florence. Further, the Board has or will provide all required notice to the Commissioners Court of Williamson County and the Williamson County Elections Administrator, as required by applicable law.

RESOLVED AND ORDERED this 13th day of August, 2020.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7

  
John Fenoglio, President