

**ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, ACQUIRING, IMPROVING, AND EQUIPPING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JAIL FACILITIES AND THE NECESSARY SITES THEREFOR; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court (the "Court") of Webb County, Texas (the "County") finds and determines that it is necessary and advisable to call and hold the election hereinafter ordered pursuant to Chapter 1251, Texas Government Code and the Texas Election Code;

WHEREAS, the Webb County Elections Administrator (the "Elections Administrator") will conduct all aspects of the Election;

WHEREAS, the Court hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interests of the County to conduct the Election in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas (the "State") and applicable federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the Court hereby finds and determines that the actions herein described are in the best interests of the qualified voters of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS THAT:

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

**Section 2.** An election shall be held on November 7, 2017 ("Election Day"), in the County, at which election the following propositions shall be submitted in accordance with law:

**PROPOSITION A**

"Shall the Commissioners Court of Webb County, Texas be authorized to issue bonds of the County, in one or more series, not to exceed the total principal amount of \$125,000,000 for the purposes of constructing, renovating, acquiring, improving, and equipping the Webb County Law Enforcement Center and related training facilities, a county jail facility, renovating the existing County jail, and the acquisition and improvement of the necessary sites therefor; and may the Commissioners Court levy, pledge, assess, and collect annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the County, sufficient, within limits, to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the principal and interest become due and the costs of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds; said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise, not more than 30 years from their date, and to bear interest at such rate or rates, not to exceed the respective limits prescribed by law at the time of issuance, as the Commissioners Court in its discretion shall determine?"

**Section 3.** In accordance with Section 3.009, Texas Election Code, the Court makes the following disclosures:

- (a) The proposition language is set forth in Section 2.

- (b) The purpose for which the Bonds are to be authorized is stated in Section 2.
- (c) The principal amount of the Bonds to be authorized is \$125,000,000.
- (d) Ad valorem taxes sufficient to pay the annual principal and interest on the Bonds may be imposed.
- (e) The maximum interest rate of the Bonds or any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.50% based on the market conditions at the time of this Order. This estimated tax rate is derived from projections obtained from the County's financial advisor and is provided without any assurance that such projections will be realized. At the time that bonds are issued, the actual total tax rate will depend upon, among other factors, prevailing interest rates, the assessed value of real property in the County and general market conditions.
- (f) The maximum maturity date of the Bonds shall not exceed 30 years.
- (g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the County's Interest and Sinking tax debt obligations as of the beginning of the County's fiscal year in which the Election is ordered being the year ended September 30, 2017 (the "Fiscal Year") is \$71,524,000 and the aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the County's maintenance tax debt obligations as of the beginning of the District's Fiscal Year is \$0.
- (h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest on Interest and Sinking tax debt obligations of the County as of the beginning of the fiscal Year is \$20,862,373 and the aggregate amount of the outstanding interest on maintenance tax debt obligations of the County as of the beginning of the Fiscal Year is \$0.
- (i) The Interest and Sinking tax debt service tax rate for the County at the time the Election is ordered is \$0.0386 per \$100 valuation of the taxable property and the portion of the maintenance tax debt service tax rate for the County at the time the Election is ordered is \$0 per \$100 valuation of the taxable property.

The statements contained in the findings in this Section 3 are based on information available to the County on the date of adoption of this Election Order, including information derived from projections obtained from the County's financial advisor, (ii) necessarily consist of estimates and projections that are subject to change based on facts, circumstances, and conditions at the time that bonds approved pursuant to this Election Order are issued, and (iii) are not intended to give rise to a contract with the voters or limit the authority of the County to issue bonds in accordance with other terms contained in this Election Order. Accordingly, actual tax rates, interest rates, maturity dates, aggregate outstanding indebtedness, and interest on such debt will vary and will be established after the bonds are issued. To the extent of any conflict between this subsection and other terms of this Election Order, such other terms control.

**Section 4.** The County election precincts hereby established for the purpose of holding the Election and the polling places hereby designated for holding the Election in the County election precincts, are identified in Exhibit A to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). At least 63 days prior to the scheduled Election Day, the County Judge or the designee thereof, will identify and formally approve the appointment of the Presiding Judge, Alternate Presiding Judges, Election clerks, and all other election officials for the Election, together with any other necessary changes to election practices and procedures, and can correct, modify, or change the Exhibits to this Order based upon the final location and times agreed upon by the Elections Administrator and the County.

**Section 5.** The Presiding Judge, shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the County to acts as clerks, as amended, or other applicable law, the appointment of these clerks must include a person fluent in the Spanish language to serve as clerk to render oral aid in the Spanish language to any voter desiring such aid at the polls on Election Day. If the Presiding Judge appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall serve as one of the clerks. In the absence of the Presiding Judge, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall perform the duties of the Presiding Judge of the election precinct.

On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. as designated on Exhibit A.

The main early voting locations are designated in Exhibit B to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). The Elections Administrator is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk to conduct such early voting in the election. The Early Voting Clerk shall appoint the Deputy Early Voting Clerks. This office or place shall remain open to permit early voting each day as stated in Exhibit B. Early voting shall commence on Monday October 23 and continue through Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> as set forth on Exhibit B, all as provided by the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended. Permanent branch offices for early voting by personal appearance shall be maintained at the locations and times designated on Exhibit B during the early voting period noted above. Early Voting by mail shall be conducted, in addition to any other manner permitted by law, by mailing an application for ballots with the Early Voting Clerk to Post Office Box 233, Laredo, Texas 78042-0233, which is hereby designated as a place at which Early Voting by mail be conducted. The last day to receive an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is October 27, 2017.

An Early Voting Ballot Board is hereby established for the purpose of processing early voting results. Armando Lopez is hereby appointed the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the County to serve as members of the Early Voting Ballot Board.

**Section 6.** The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code, so as to permit the electors to vote “For” or “Against” the aforesaid proposition, which shall be set forth substantially as follows:

WEBB COUNTY PROPOSITION A

THE ISSUANCE OF \$125,000,000 WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS BONDS FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING, ACQUIRING, IMPROVING, AND EQUIPPING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COUNTY JAIL FACILITIES AND NECESSARY SITES THEREFOR, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

**Section 7.** Paper “Optical-scan” ballots may be used in holding and conducting the Election on Election Day. The County will provide at least one accessible direct record electronic voting device in each polling place that complies with state and federal laws setting the requirements for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Paper “Optical-scan” ballots and accessible voting devices may be used for Early Voting by personal appearance. Paper “Optical-scan” ballots may be used for Early Voting by mail. The County shall also utilize a Central Counting Station (the “Station”) as provided by Section 127.000, *et seq.*, Texas Election Code. The Elections

Administrator is hereby appointed as the Manager and Armando Lopez as Presiding Judge of the Station and may appoint Station clerks and establish a written plan for the orderly operation of the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The County hereby appoints John Ornes, III as Tabulation Supervisor. Lastly, the Elections Administrator, or his agent, will publish notice and conduct public testing on the automatic tabulation equipment and conduct instruction for election officials and clerks of the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

**Section 8.** All election materials including notice of the election, ballots, instruction cards, affidavits, and other forms which voters may be required to sign and all early voting materials shall be printed in both English and Spanish, or Spanish translations thereof, and/or other assistance shall be provided, as required by the Texas Election Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

**Section 9.** All resident, qualified voters of the County shall be permitted to vote at the Election, and on Election Day, such voters shall vote at the designated polling places. The Election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and as may be required by law.

**Section 10.** A Notice of the Election (the "Notice") shall be given as provided by law. The Notice, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, and the publication of the Notice of Election shall occur in newspaper not more than 30 days and not less than ten days before the day of the Election. Additionally, a copy of the Notice (along with a copy of this Order) shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of County meetings not later than 21 days prior to Election Day and on the County's internet website. A substantial copy of this order shall serve as proper notice of the Election.

**Section 11.** The Court authorizes the County Judge or the respective designees thereof, to make such technical modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the Court, as evidenced herein.

**Section 12.** The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as part of the judgment and findings of the Court.

**Section 13.** All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

**Section 14.** This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

**Section 15.** If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Court hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such valid provision.

**Section 16.** It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

**Section 17.** Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1201.028, Texas Government Code, this Order shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage, and it is so ordered.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 14th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Margie Ramirez Ibarra  
County Clerk

/s/ Tano E. Tijerina  
County Judge

EXHIBIT "A"

**November 7, 2017 – Special Election**

**ELECTION DAY SITES  
7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.**

<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City</b>
401	Senior Citizens Home	700 Juarez St.	Laredo
402	McDonnell Elementary School	1606 Benavides St.	Laredo
403	LISD Performing Arts (Civic Ctr.)	2400 San Bernardo Ave.	Laredo
404	Richter Courts Hall	1600 Circle Dr.	Laredo
405	Piedra Angular Templo Cristiano	4050 Santa Maria Ave.	Laredo
406	Santa Maria Elementary School	3801 Santa Maria Ave.	Laredo
407	J. O. Walker Building	5810 San Bernardo Ave.	Laredo
308	Clark Elementary School	500 Hillside Rd.	Laredo
309	A. Gutierrez Elementary School	505 W. Calle Del Norte	Laredo
310	Christ Miracle Center	4400 Sanders Ave.	Laredo
311	Alma Pierce Elementary School	800 E. Eistetter St.	Laredo
312	Sanchez / Ochoa Elem. School	211 E. Ash St.	Laredo
413	Don Jose Gallego Elem. School	520 Clark Blvd.	Laredo
414	Bruni Elementary School	1502 San Eduardo Ave.	Laredo
215	Memorial Middle School	2002 Marcella Ave.	Laredo
416	Salvation Army Building	408 Matamoros St.	Laredo
417	Heights Elementary School	1200 Market St.	Laredo
218	Nixon High School – Annex	2900 N Malinche Ave.	Laredo
219	Milton Elementary School	2502 E. Elm St.	Laredo
220	F. S. Lara Academy	2901 E. Travis St.	Laredo
221	Christ Episcopal Church	2320 E. Lane St.	Laredo
122	Lamar Middle School	1818 N. Arkansas Ave.	Laredo
423	Daiches Elementary School	1401 Green St.	Laredo
124	St. Joseph Church Hall	110 N. Meadow Ave.	Laredo
125	Roche Residence	218 S. España Dr.	Laredo
226	Webb County Appraisal District	3302 Clark Blvd.	Laredo
227	UISD Student Activity Ctr.	5208 Santa Claudia Ln.	Laredo
128	Templo Revelación	1102 S. Meadow Ave.	Laredo
129	Santo Nino Elementary School	2702 Bismark St.	Laredo
130	McKendrick, Ochoa, Salinas Library	1920 Palo Blanco St.	Laredo
231	Salinas Elementary School	100 Century Dr.	Laredo
132	Prada Elementary School	510 Soria Dr.	Laredo
133	Centeno Elementary School	2710 La Pita Mangana	Laredo
134	Juarez-Lincoln Elementary	1003 Espejo Molina Rd.	Rio Bravo
135	El Cenizo Community Center	3519 Cecilia Ln.	El Cenizo
136	E. Salinas Community Ctr.	917 N. Main	Mirando
237	Bruni Community Center	303 E. 12 <sup>th</sup> St.	Bruni
338	Santa Teresita Community Ctr.	15014 Hwy. 59	Laredo
239	B P Newmann Elem. School	1300 Alta Vista Dr.	Laredo
340	Laredo Medical Ctr. Ambulatory	7210 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
341	Nye Elementary School	101 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Laredo
342	JP Precinct 4 Building	8501 San Dario Ave.	Laredo

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343	United Middle School	700 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Laredo
344	Col. Santos Benavides Elementary	10702 Kirby Ln.	Laredo
345	United 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus	8800 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
446	Finley Elementary School	2001 Lowry Rd.	Laredo
447	Muller Elementary School	4430 Muller Memorial Dr.	Laredo
448	F & A Bruni Community Ctr.	452 Rancho Peñitas	Laredo
349	United High School	2811 United Ave.	Laredo
350	Callaghan Ranch	I H 35 N – 27 Miles OCL	Laredo
351	Laredo Medical Center	1700 E. Saunders St.	Laredo
252	United South High School	4001 Ave. Los Presidentes	Laredo
453	Lamar Bruni Vergara City Park	202 W. Plum St.	Laredo
154	LB Johnson High School	5626 Cielito Lindo Blvd.	Laredo
255	Texas A&M Int'l University	5201 University Blvd.	Laredo
356	Borchers Elementary School	9551 Backwoods Trail	Laredo
457	Long Branch Saloon	15811 U.S. Hwy 83 N.	Laredo
458	G. Washington Middle School	10306 River Bank Dr.	Laredo
359	Doctors Hospital	10700 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
360	Gallagher Garden Apts.	5118 Gallagher Ave.	Laredo
361	St. John Neumann Church	102 W. Hillside Rd.	Laredo
362	Pep Boys	4401 San Dario Ave	Laredo
363	LISD Child Nutrition Bldg.	101 E. Saunders St.	Laredo
164	DD Hachar Elementary (LISD)	3000 Guadalupe St.	Laredo
465	Farias Elementary School	1510 Chicago St.	Laredo
266	City Hall Annex Bldg.	1102 Bob Bullock Loop	Laredo
267	Cuellar Elementary School	6431 Casa Del Sol Blvd.	Laredo
268	UISD S.A.C. (Combined w/ 227)	5208 Santa Claudia Ln.	Laredo

*(These sites were approved by Commissioners Court on their July 10, 2017 regular meeting.)*

EXHIBIT "B"

**November 7, 2017 – Special Election**

**EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE**

**MAIN EARLY VOTING SITE:**

**Billy Hall Jr. Administrative Building, 1110 Washington St.**

Monday, October 23 thru Friday, October 27, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 28, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Monday, October 30 thru Wednesday, November 1, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday, November 2 and Friday, November 3, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm

**TEMPORARY BRANCH EARLY VOTING SITES:**

**Finley Elementary School, 2001 Lowry Rd.**

Monday, October 23 thru Friday, October 27, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 28, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Monday, October 30 thru Wednesday, November 1, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday, November 2 and Friday, November 3, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm

**Providence Health Center, 230 Calle del Norte, Laredo, Tx**

Monday, October 23 thru Friday, October 27, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 28, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Monday, October 30 thru Wednesday, November 1, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday, November 2 and Friday, November 3, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm

**City Hall Annex Building, 1102 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Tx**

Monday, October 23 thru Friday, October 27, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 28, 2017	8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Monday, October 30 thru Wednesday, November 1, 2017	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
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**McKendrick, Ochoa, Salinas Library, 1920 Palo Blanco St., Laredo, Tx**

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