

ORDER CANVASSING ELECTION RETURNS

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Texas (the “State”) ordered an election to be held throughout this state, including this County on November 7, 2023, on fourteen Constitutional Amendment Propositions hereinafter stated;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of the County (the “Court”) has investigated all matters pertaining to said election, including the ordering, giving notice, officers, holding, and making returns of said election; and

WHEREAS, the election officers who held said election have duly made the returns of the result thereof, and said returns have been duly delivered to the Court.

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

1. The Court officially finds and determines that said election was duly ordered; proper notice of said election was duly given; proper election officers were duly appointed prior to said election; said election was duly held; the County has complied with applicable law including the Texas Election Code; due returns of the result of said election have been made and delivered; and the Court has duly canvassed said returns, all in accordance with law and the State calling said election.

2. The Court officially finds and determines that the following votes were cast at said election on the fourteen submitted Propositions by the resident, qualified electors of the County, who voted at the election:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 1

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN FARMING, RANCHING, TIMBER PRODUCTION, HORTICULTURE, AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT.”

8,144 VOTES FOR

1,281 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 2

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING A LOCAL OPTION EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY OF ALL OR PART OF THE APPRAISED VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY USED TO OPERATE A CHILD-CARE FACILITY.”

6,951 VOTES FOR

2,363 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 3

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION OF AN INDIVIDUAL WEALTH OR NET WORTH TAX, INCLUDING A TAX ON THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AN INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY.”

6,271 VOTES FOR

3,019 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 4

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO ESTABLISH A TEMPORARY LIMIT ON THE MAXIMUM APPRAISED VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY OTHER THAN A RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD FOR AD VALOREM TAX PURPOSES; TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICABLE TO RESIDENCE HOMESTEADS FROM \$40,000 TO \$100,000; TO ADJUST THE AMOUNT OF THE LIMITATION ON SCHOOL DISTRICT AD VALOREM TAXES IMPOSED ON THE RESIDENCE HOMESTEADS OF THE ELDERLY OR DISABLED TO REFLECT INCREASES IN CERTAIN EXEMPTION AMOUNTS; TO EXCEPT CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS TO PAY FOR AD VALOREM TAX RELIEF FROM THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION ON THE RATE OF GROWTH OF APPROPRIATIONS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE FOR A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CERTAIN APPRAISAL DISTRICTS.”

8,385 VOTES FOR

1,207 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 5

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT RELATING TO THE TEXAS UNIVERSITY FUND, WHICH PROVIDES FUNDING TO CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL PROMINENCE AS MAJOR RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES AND DRIVE THE STATE ECONOMY.”

7,489 VOTES FOR

1,865 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 6

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CREATING THE TEXAS WATER FUND TO ASSIST IN FINANCING WATER PROJECTS IN THIS STATE.”

8,052 VOTES FOR

1,323 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 7

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE TEXAS ENERGY FUND TO SUPPORT THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, MODERNIZATION, AND OPERATION OF ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES.”

6,950 VOTES FOR

2,405 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 8

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CREATING THE BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE FUND TO EXPAND HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND ACCESS AND ASSIST IN THE FINANCING OF CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS.”

7,538 VOTES FOR

1,737 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 9

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE 88TH LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT TO CERTAIN ANNUITANTS OF THE TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS.”

8,866 VOTES FOR

665 VOTES AGAINST

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 10

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO EXEMPT FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION EQUIPMENT OR INVENTORY HELD BY A MANUFACTURER OF MEDICAL OR BIOMEDICAL PRODUCTS TO PROTECT THE TEXAS HEALTHCARE NETWORK ANT STRENGTHEN OUR MEDICAL SUPPLY CHAIN.”

6,544 VOTES FOR

2,748 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 11

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATURE TO PERMIT CONSERVATION AND RECLAMATION DISTRICTS IN EL PASO COUNTY TO ISSUE BONDS SUPPORTED BY AD VALOREM TAXES TO FUND THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.”

6,623 VOTES FOR

2,481 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 12

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER IN GALVESTON COUNTY.”

4,918 VOTES FOR

4,002 VOTES AGAINST

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 13

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO INCREASE THE MANDATORY AGE OF RETIREMENT FOR STATE JUSTICES AND JUDGES.”

4,058 VOTES FOR

5,251 VOTES AGAINST

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITION 14

“THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE CENTENNIAL PARKS CONSERVATION FUND TO BE USED FOR THE CREATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF STATE PARKS.”

8,017 VOTES FOR

1,334 VOTES AGAINST

3. The Court officially finds, determines, and declares the result of said election to be that THIRTEEN CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSITIONS out of fourteen so submitted received a favorable majority vote in all respects and have passed. The court also determines that Proposition 13 has failed.

Hon. Tano Tijerina
Webb County Judge

ATTEST:

Hon. Margie R. Ibarra
Webb County Clerk