

TOWN OF POETRY, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF POETRY, TEXAS CANVASSING AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE JOINT SPECIAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO QUALIFIED VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF POETRY WITH BOTH HUNT COUNTY AND KAUFMAN COUNTY, PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR CONFIRMATION OF VOTE TABULATION AND CANVASS; PROVIDING NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT; PROVIDING REPEALER, OPEN MEETINGS, AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, state law requires the governing body of the Town of Poetry, Texas to canvass all elections; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate authority of the Town heretofore caused to be posted and published, in accordance with the election laws of the State of Texas, notice of the Special Election; and

WHEREAS, it appears that a total of 788 votes were cast in such election; and

WHEREAS, the Special Election was duly and legally held on November 8, 2022, in the Town and in conformity with the election laws of the State of Texas, and the results of the Special Election, including the early voting results, have been certified and returned to the proper judges and clerks thereof; and

WHEREAS, the official returns, including returns of early voting ballots cast, of the presiding judges of the Special Election have been presented and delivered; and the Town Council acting in capacity as the Canvassing Board, met on November 22, 2022, and duly canvassed such returns in accordance with the law with the following results:

FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSITION
AGAINST THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSITION

Proposition A Hunt County and Kaufman County	TOTAL NUMBER OF EARLY VOTING VOTES RECEIVED	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED AT POLL ON ELECTION DAY	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
For	146	306	452
Against	117	219	336

WHEREAS, pursuant to State law, if a majority of the qualified voters voting on a proposed measure vote in favor thereof, such measure shall become effective in accordance with law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF POETRY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1
INCORPORATION OF PREMISES

The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2
CONFIRMATION OF VOTE TABULATIONS

The Town Council officially finds and determines that the Special Election was duly ordered to be held in the Town of Poetry, Texas on the 8th day of November 2022; that proper notice of the election was duly given; that proper election officers were duly appointed prior to the election; that the election has been made and delivered; and that the Town Council has duly canvassed the returns all in accordance with law.

SECTION 3
CONFIRMATION OF VOTE TABULATION

The Town Council officially accepts and that only qualified resident voters of the Town were allowed to vote at the Special Election, that the following votes were cast at the Special Election, and based upon the votes cast, the Proposition was voted as follows.

PROPOSITION

FOR

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THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE TOWN OF POETRY, TEXAS AT THE RATE OF ONE AND A HALF PERCENT TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS.

AGAINST

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FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSITION
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Kaufman COUNTY	TOTAL NUMBER OF EARLY VOTING VOTES RECEIVED	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED AT POLL ON ELECTION DAY	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
For	79	22	101
Against	67	39	106

Hunt COUNTY	TOTAL NUMBER OF EARLY VOTING VOTES RECEIVED	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED AT POLL ON ELECTION DAY	TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
For	67	284	351
Against	50	180	230

SECTION 3 **ENACTMENT OF PROPOSITION A**

The Town Council officially accepts that only qualified resident voters of the Town were allowed to vote at the Special Election, that the following votes were cast at the Special Election, and based upon the votes cast, Proposition A was approved in Hunt County and failed in Kaufman County.

SECTION 4 **ISSUANCE OF CANVASS OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Canvass of the Special Election, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A,"** in accordance with the election laws of the State of Texas, and to take all other action necessary in connection therewith.

SECTION 5 **ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT**

The Town Secretary of the Town of Poetry is hereby directed to engross and enroll this Ordinance by copying the Caption and effective date in the minutes of the Town Council and by filing this Ordinance in the ordinance records of the Town.

SECTION 6
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Town Council of the Town of Poetry that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the Town Council without incorporation of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 7
EFFECTIVE DATE

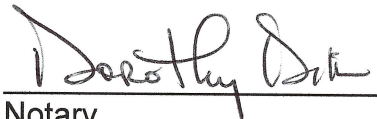
This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its date of passage in accordance with law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of Poetry, Texas, this 22nd November 2022.

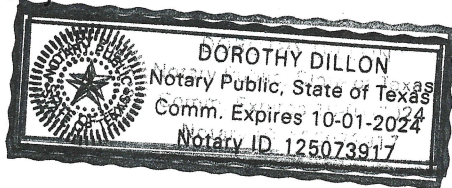


TARA SENKEVECH
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Notary



**TOWN OF POETRY, TEXAS
CANVASS OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

I, the undersigned Mayor of the Town of Poetry, Texas, and Presiding Officer of the Canvassing Authority of the City, met on 22nd day of November 2022 with the Town Council of the City, sitting as the Canvassing Board to canvass the returns of the Joint Special Election held on November 22, 2022, at the Faith Temple Baptist Church, Poetry, Texas, as such returns related to Proposition A.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the figures on the tally sheets correspond with the figures on the returns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Poetry, Texas to be affixed hereto, this the 22nd day of November 2022.

Tara Senterre

Mayor and Presiding Officer of The Canvassing Authority
Town of Poetry, Texas

