

ORDER FOR ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 3, 2025 ON THE PROPOSITION OF THE ADDITION OF TERRITORY TO ATASCOSA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 BY ANNEXATION OF ADDITIONAL TERRITORY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A "ROSSVILLE VFD SERVICE AREA" TO ATASCOSA COUNTY ESD NO. 1 AND AUTHORIZATION TO IMPOSE A TAX NOT TO EXCEED THE RATE ALLOWED BY SECTION 48-E, ARTICLE III, TEXAS CONSTITUTION PURSUANT TO HEALTH & SAFETY CODE AND TO ASSUME ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE OUTSTANDING DEBTS AND TAXES OF THE ATASCOSA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1, IF IT IS ADDED TO THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, A petition was filed with the Atascosa County seeking the addition of territory to Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, A Public Hearing regarding the addition of the territory to Atascosa County Services District No. 1 was held on January 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Petition was in conformance with Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, the Atascosa County Commissioners Court finds that the addition of the territory to ESD No. 1 is feasible and will promote the public safety, welfare, health, and convenience of persons residing in the proposed additional territory to the district; and

WHEREAS, Health & Safety Code, §775.0752 and Tax Code, §323.403, requires that such Election be held on the next uniform election day not less than 30 days after the day on which the order calling the election was passed,

WHEREAS, the next uniform date for an election called under such circumstances is May 3, 2025,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the boundaries of the additional territory to be annexed and included in said Emergency Service District No.1 described in Exhibit A are affixed to those listed in the petition on file with the Atascosa County Clerk and that an Election be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., on the following proposition:

"The addition of the Rossville Volunteer Fire Department service area approximately 109 square miles of territory into Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1 and authorization to impose a tax on the additional territory not to exceed the rate allowed by Section 48-e, Article III, Texas Constitution and to assume its proportionate share of the outstanding debts and taxes of the Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1, if it is added to the District."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Election be held in the following polling locations:

VOTING BOX 10 ROSSVILLE HISTORICAL COMMUNITY BLDG.

515 FM 2504 POTEET, TEXAS 78065

VOTING BOX 24 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT #2

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

1. The ballot for the above proposition shall provide for voting "for" or "against" the above stated proposition. A majority of the votes cast either "for" or "against" the proposition shall determine whether the proposition is adopted. A vote "for" shall mean a vote in favor of the proposition and a vote "against" shall mean a vote against the proposition.
2. The Election shall be held within the area wholly or partially located within the proposed District as described in the Petition on file with the Atascosa County Clerk.
3. Only persons qualified to vote within the geographic boundaries as indicated on the petition seeking the addition of territory to Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1 shall be allowed to vote in the Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1 election and each voter shall vote at the Polling Place designated by Order of the Atascosa Commissioners Court regarding the May 3, 2025.
4. The voting shall be by ES&S machines-DS200 and Expressvote, and Votec ePollbook.
5. Cathy Seiter is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the Election. Early voting shall be conducted from April 22, 2025 (the date which represents the earliest date on which early voting may begin) through April 25, 2025 and on April 28 and April 29, 2025 (the date which represents the last day on which early voting may be performed). The location of main early voting place is designated as follows:

Atascosa County Annex II Election Office 914 Main St. Jourdanton, TX 78026
8:00 a.m. – 5:00p.m

Except as otherwise provided below, there shall be no early voting on any Saturday or Sunday or on any official national or state holiday.

6. For the use of those voters in the proposed territory and the District who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the Early Voting Clerk above named shall receive applications for early voting ballots to be voted by mail in accordance with the Texas Election Code. For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote an early voting ballot by mail, the District shall provide each voter with a paper ballot and instructions to make a mark on the paper ballot.

7. Ballot applications and ballots voted shall be sent to Cathy Seiter at 914 Main St. Jourdanton, Texas 78026, elections@atascosacounty.texas.gov. There shall be no provision for telephonic facsimile transmission of ballot applications. The ballot applications must be received by April 22, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. If the application is submitted by email, a hardcopy of the application must be mailed to Cathy Seiter at 914 Main St. Jourdanton, Texas 78026, within four (4) business days of the email received or the application will be rejected.

8. The following concurrent and subsequent Orders, among other Orders, may be made to facilitate the Election: Order Approving and Appointing an Agent; Order Approving a Contract with ES&S

Elections; Order Establishing And Designating Election Precincts And Polling Places; Order Appointing Presiding Election Judge(s); Order Appointing Early Voting Ballot Board; Order Appointing An Early Voting Clerk; Order Establishing And Designating A Polling Place.

9. In accordance with all applicable Federal and State law, there shall be provided Spanish translation of the ballot as well as other applicable election materials.

10. This Order constitutes the Election Order of the Atascosa County Commissioners Court to conduct an election on the proposition "The addition of the territory into Atascosa County Emergency Services District No. 1 and authorization to impose a tax on the additional territory not to exceed the rate allowed by Section 48-e, Article III, Texas Constitution." The Notice of the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the law and shall be given by publication of the Notice of Election along with the Order designating the Voting Precincts and Polling Places for the Election. Such publication shall be made one time in a daily newspaper of general circulation within the geographic boundaries of the proposed District, said publication to be made not earlier than the 30th day nor later than the 10th day before the Election Date. Further, a copy of such Notice shall, not later than the 21st day before the Election Date, be posted on the bulletin board or other place conspicuous to the public used for posting Notices of the meetings of the Atascosa Commissioners Court and a copy shall be filed with the County Clerk of Atascosa County, Texas. After publication, the Atascosa County Attorney's Office shall retain a copy of the published Notice that contains the name of the newspaper in which it was published and the date of publication.

ADOPTED at an Open Meeting of the Commissioners' Court this the 10th day of February, 2025, by a vote of 4 to 4.



Weldon Cude, County Judge