

CITY OF FOREST HILL, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-19

ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION

November 8, 2022

WHEREAS, municipalities are authorized, pursuant to Chapter 327 of the Texas Tax Code, to consider authorization and reauthorization of a Municipal Sales and Use Tax for Street Maintenance within the area of the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Forest Hill, Texas (the "City"), pursuant to Section 327.006 of the Texas Tax Code, called an election for the approval of the Municipal Sales and Use Tax for Street Maintenance (the "Street Maintenance Tax"), which was approved at the rate of one-fourth of one percent; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to reauthorize such Street Maintenance Tax at the next upcoming election to continue to support the maintenance and repair of the streets within the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST HILL, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. On the 19th day of July 2022, at a duly posted meeting of the City Council of the City of Forest Hill, Texas, a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order, and the Council issued the following order:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a special election be held on the 8th day of November 2022, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of considering the reauthorization of one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets for a four (4) year period; providing for the publication and posting of notice, which proposition shall be as follows:

Proposition 1

Whether or not to reauthorize the local sales and use tax in the City of Forest Hill at the rate of one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.

For: _____

Against _____

SECTION 2. Said election shall be administered by the Tarrant County Elections Administrator in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and an Election Agreement with said County and at the polling locations provided for therein. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the appropriate agreement with Tarrant County Elections Administrator for the conduct of the special election. Pursuant to the Election Contract, the County Elections Administrator shall serve as Election Administrator for said election. Presiding Election Judges and Alternate Presiding Election Judges appointed to serve at said polling places shall be those election officials furnished by the Elections Administrator from the list of proposed elections judges listed in an attachment to the Election Contract.

SECTION 3. Notice of the special election shall be posted at the place of notice of the City Council meetings and be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City. Said notice must be published on the same day in each of two successive weeks, with the first publication occurring no earlier than the thirtieth day and no later than the fourteenth day before the date of the election. A copy of the published notice that contains the name of the newspaper and the date of publication shall be retained as a record of such notice, and such person posting the notice shall make a record of the time of posting, starting date and the place of posting.

SECTION 4. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted in accordance with state law and as stated in the Elections Contract and posted on the City's webpage. Application for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 28, 2022. Applications for early voting ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

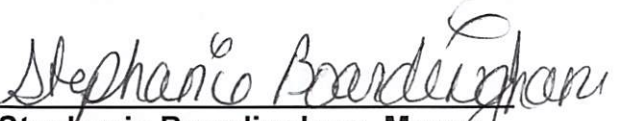
Heider Garcia
Tarrant County Elections Administrator
Tarrant County Elections Department
P. O. Box 961011
Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011

SECTION 5. That the City Secretary shall present the election returns to the City of Forest Hill City Council at a City Council a called or special meeting for the canvassing of said election in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

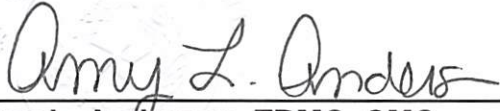
SECTION 6. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and publication as required by law.

DULY ORDERED, PASSED, AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST HILL, TEXAS THE 19THTH DAY OF JULY 2022.

APPROVED:


Stephanie Boardingham, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amy L. Anderson, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Courtney Morris, Asst. City Attorney