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ELECTIONS DIVISION

TO: County Judges & Texas Election Officials

FROM: Elections Division, Texas Secretary of State

SUBJECT: 2025 Constitutional Amendment Special Election - November 4, 2025

DATE: August 18, 2025

County Judges,

The proclamation ordering the 2025 Constitutional Amendment Special Election for November 4, 2025 is [attached](#).

Ordering the Election

The constitutional amendment election is ordered by the governor. However, the commissioners court should also complete a local order to ensure that all required actions related to the election have been completed. You may use the Secretary of State's form to order the election found on our [website](#).

Providing Notice of the Election

In accordance with Section 4.003(a)(1) and 4.003(c), counties MUST publish their notice at least once in a

newspaper between the 30th day and the 10th day before the election (Sunday, October 5, 2025 - Saturday, October 25, 2025). In addition to this method of providing notice, you may also post a notice of the election on the bulletin board used for posting open meetings and notices of commissioners court meetings no later than Tuesday, October 14, 2025. The county must also post the notice on the county's Internet website, if one is maintained. A sample notice is available on our [website](#). You will need to add the following language to the notice form after "for voting in a special election to" (and after "*para votar en la Elección Especial para*"):

"adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas ("*adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas a la Constitución propuestas tal como fueron presentadas por la 89^o Legislatura, Sesión Regular, del Estado de Texas.*").

This notice **must** also include:

1. The type and date of the election;
2. The location of the main early voting polling place, **including the street address, room number, and building name. The notice must designate which location is the main early voting polling place;**
3. The location of each polling place, **including the street address, room number, and building name;**
4. The hours the polls will be open;
5. The regular dates and hours for early voting by personal appearance;
6. The dates and hours of any Saturday or Sunday early voting;
7. The early voting clerk's official mailing address or street address at which the clerk may receive delivery by common or contract carrier, if different, phone number, e-mail address, and the Internet website, if the early voting clerk has an Internet website;
8. We ***recommend*** that the information regarding branch early voting locations be included as part of your notice; and
9. Any other information required by law.

Notice of Consolidated Precinct

For each precinct that is included in a consolidated precinct under Section 42.008 of the Texas Election Code, not later than Saturday, October 25, 2025 you shall also post at the polling place used in the preceding general election [notice](#) of the precinct's consolidation and the location of the polling place in the consolidated precinct. The notice must remain posted continuously through election day.

Writs of Election for Judges

You are also responsible for sending to each election judge a writ of election, which is notice to the judge of his/her duty to hold the election on November 4, 2025. The writ must be sent no later than Monday, October 20, 2025. A sample form is available on our [website](#). In the space for the "Nature of Election," we recommend the following verbiage:

“To adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 89 Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.”

Canvassing the Election

The commissioners court must canvass the constitutional amendment election no earlier than Friday, November 7, 2025 and no later than Monday, November 17, 2025. The canvass may not be conducted until the early voting ballot board has verified and counted all provisional ballots, if a provisional ballot has been cast in the election, **AND** counted all timely received mailed domestic ballots cast from addresses within the United States, all timely received mailed ballots cast from addresses outside the United States and all ballots contained in previously defective carrier envelopes which were corrected by voters by the required deadline. The officially **canvassed returns for the state constitutional amendment election must be delivered by the county election officer to the Secretary of State within 24 hours of the canvass.**

If you have any questions regarding the constitutional amendment election, please feel free to contact the Elections Division at (800) 252-8683 or at Elections@sos.texas.gov.

Thank you,

Christina Worrell Adkins

Director of Elections

Office of the Secretary of State

800-252-VOTE(8683)

www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/index.shtml

The information contained in this email is intended to provide advice and assistance in election matters per §31.004 of the Texas Election Code. It is not intended to serve as a legal opinion for any matter. Please review the law yourself, and consult with an attorney when your legal rights are involved.

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