

**ORDER FOR ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 1, 2021  
ON THE PROPOSITION OF EXPANSION OF  
TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7  
BY ADDING TERRITORY TO THE DISTRICT UNDER  
TEXAS HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, SECTION 775.051**

**WHEREAS**, TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 (the "District") operates pursuant to Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 48-e, and Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 775.051, Health & Safety Code, provides that the District may expand the District territory upon receipt of a petition requesting such;

**WHEREAS**, the District has held a public hearing on such expansion following receipt of such a petition in proper form as provided by Section 775.051; and

**WHEREAS**, the District may call an election on such expansion following such public hearing to be held as provided by Section 775.051 and the applicable provisions of the Election Code if the Board of ESD Commissioners of the District finds that such annexation would be feasible and would benefit the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the District finds that the annexation as petitioned would be feasible and would benefit the District; and

**WHEREAS**, Health & Safety Code, Section 775.051 requires that such Election be held on the next uniform election day; and

**WHEREAS**, the next uniform date for an election called under such circumstances is May 1, 2021,

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that an Election be held in TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 and the proposed annexation area on Saturday, May 1, 2021, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., on the following proposition:

"Adding the areas within the City of Leander's extraterritorial jurisdiction ("ETJ") which are currently included in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1 for fire protection, but which are not currently included in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 7 for Emergency Medical Services, which would include, but not be limited to, the Sandy Creek neighborhood which includes the Honeycomb Hollow and Palomino Ranch subdivisions."

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that:

1. The ballot for the Election 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, provided however, that

for passage the proposition must be approved by both a majority of the voters in the District election and must be approved by a majority of the voters in the unincorporated area generally described in the attached Exhibit "A". 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 may be held jointly with other Travis County entities, if any, under the Joint Election Agreement promulgated by the Travis County Elections Office.

3. The election will be conducted by the Travis County Elections Office under the terms of the Election Services Agreement promulgated by the Travis County Elections Office. To the full extent allowed by law, the District delegates to the Travis County Elections Administrator all election duties described in the Agreement.

4. The Election shall be held within the Election Precincts and at the Polling Places designated by the Elections Administrator (also called "Contracting Officer") pursuant to the Travis County Election Order for the Travis County elections scheduled for May 1, 2021, subject to any such changes as may be made under the authority of such Order. The designation is adopted and approved by the Board of ESD Commissioners.

5. Only persons qualified to vote within the geographic boundaries of TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 and in the Annexation Area described in the attached Exhibit "A", shall be allowed to vote at the Election and each voter shall vote at the Polling Place designated by Order of Travis County for the Travis County elections.

6. The Notice of the Election shall be prepared in accordance with 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 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 District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners and a copy shall be filed with the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas. After publication, the District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners 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.

7. The voting in the District's Election Precincts shall utilize an Electronic Voting System procured and certified by the Travis County Elections Office. Travis County's certified electronic voting equipment is to be used in the May 1, 2021 Joint Election, as described in the Joint Election Agreement and/or Election Services Agreement.

8. **Dana DeBeauvoir**, is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the Election. Early voting shall be conducted from April 19, 2021 (the date which represents the earliest date on which early voting may begin) through April 27, 2021 (the date which represents the last day on which early voting may be performed). As ordered by the District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners, early voting will be conducted on

the days and hours and at the locations designated by the Elections Administrator pursuant to the Order of Travis County for the Travis County elections.

9. For the use of those voters in 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.

10. As described in the Election Services Agreement, the District Board orders that ballot applications and ballots voted shall be sent to the Early Voting Clerk at P.O. Box 149325, Austin, Texas 78714, or as otherwise designated by the Travis County Early Voting Clerk. The ballot applications must be received by April 26, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. If any Application for Ballot By Mail is submitted by email or fax or if a Federal Post Card Application is submitted by fax, to be effective, the application must also be submitted by mail and be received not later than the fourth (4th) business day after it is received by email or fax. All requests for early voting ballots to be voted by mail that are received by the District shall be forwarded in person or by email or fax to the Contracting Officer on the day of receipt. Original applications that are received by mail and forwarded by email or fax must also be mailed to the Contracting Officer for all processing. The Regular Early Voting Clerk for the District, as defined in the Election Services Agreement between Travis County and the District, may also receive applications and forward same to the Early Voting Clerk, as described in the Election Services Agreement.

11. The following concurrent and subsequent Orders, among other Orders, may be made by the District to facilitate the Election: Joint Election Agreement; Order Approving and Appointing an Agent; Order Approving a Contract with Travis County; 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; Resolution Adopting Voting System.

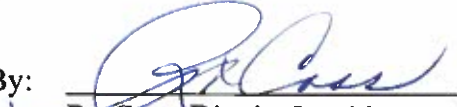
12. In accordance with all applicable Federal and State law, there shall be provided Spanish translation of the ballot as well as other applicable election materials.

13. This Order constitutes the Election Order of TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 Election to conduct an election to expand the District's jurisdictional territory.


ADOPTED at Open Meeting this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, by a vote of 3 to 0.

*[Signatures on following page]*

**TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY  
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7**

By:   
Ro Cass, District President

ATTEST:

By:   
Matt Evert, District Secretary

## **Exhibit A**

### **Boundary Description of Proposed Annexation into Travis County Emergency Services District No. 7**

The boundaries would include all areas within the City of Leander's extraterritorial jurisdiction ("ETJ") which are currently included in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1 for fire protection, but which are not currently included in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 7 for Emergency Medical Services.

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