

ORDER CALLING A VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE ELECTION PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 26.08 OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE

THE STATE OF TEXAS           §  
  §     GARLAND INDEPENDENT  
  §     SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF DALLAS         §

On this the 11th day of August, 2020, the Board of Trustees of the GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT convened in regular session with the following members present, to-wit:

Johnny Beach, President  
Robert Selders, Vice President  
James Miller, Secretary  
Linda L. Griffin, Member  
Larry Glick, Member  
Wesley Johnson, Member  
Jed Reed, Member

constituting a quorum, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees were the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Garland Independent School District (“the Board”) has adopted a tax rate that exceeds the District’s voter-approval tax rate; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 26.08 of the Texas Property Tax Code, the Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and advisable to hold a voter-approval tax rate election for and within the District to determine whether to approve the tax rate adopted by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. An election shall be held on the 3rd day of November, 2020, in the Garland Independent School District, which date is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption hereof, and is a uniform election date pursuant to Texas Election Code, Section 41.001, for the purpose of voting for or against the following measure:

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.3463 in Garland Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 12.62 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the district for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$25,095,092.”

2. The ballot for the election shall be prepared and styled in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Election Code.

3. The election shall be administered by the Dallas County Elections Department and conducted as a joint election with participating entities in precincts that can be served by common polling places pursuant to Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code. All election judges, alternate judges, clerks, members of the early voting ballot board, central counting station officials, and other personnel designated by the Dallas County Elections Department to conduct the election in the precincts covered by this Order are hereby appointed and confirmed. The Dallas County Elections Department shall furnish all necessary election equipment, programming, ballots, and other election supplies necessary for a lawful election pursuant to the terms of the contract between the County and the District. Polling places may be combined for some precincts, pursuant to decisions by the Dallas County Elections Department.

4. The polls at the above designated polling places shall on Election Day be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

5. Toni Pippins-Poole is hereby appointed Early Voting Clerk. The early voting for the above designated election shall be at Richland College-Garland Campus-Main Lobby 675 W. Walnut St. Garland, Texas 75040; Rowlett City Hall Annex-Conference Room 4004 Main St. Rowlett, Texas 75088; Sachse Senior Center-Multi-Purpose Room 3815 Sachse Road Building A Sachse, Texas 75048; South Garland Branch Library-The Program Room 4845 Broadway Boulevard Garland, Texas 75043 and other early voting locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Department shown in **Exhibit A**. Said places of early voting shall remain open for at least eight hours on each day of early voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state holiday, (but including Saturday, October 17, 2020, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, October 18, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 25, 2020, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.), beginning on the 21st day (Tuesday, October 13, 2020) and continuing through the 4th day (Friday, October 30, 2020) preceding the date of the election. Said places of voting shall remain

open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on each weekday for said early voting, except that on Sunday, October 18, 2020, and Sunday, October 25, 2020, the place of voting shall remain open from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications shall be sent and where persons voting by mail shall send their voted ballots is Toni Pippins-Poole, Early Voting Clerk, Dallas County Elections Department, 1520 Round Table Drive, Dallas, Texas 75247. Emailed applications for Ballots may also be sent to the Early Voting Clerk at [evapplications@dallascounty.org](mailto:evapplications@dallascounty.org). Applications must be scanned and contain the voter's original signature.

The early voting locations are subject to change, based on decisions made by the Dallas County Elections Department.

6. Dr. Ricardo López, Superintendent, is authorized to contract with the County of Dallas and the Commissioners Court, or any other agency, on behalf of the School District for the carrying out of this election by the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator in a joint election with other Dallas County government entities.

7. This Board of Trustees has determined that ES&S ExpressVote Universal Voting System (Ballot Marking Device), EVS 6.0.2.0, Firmware 2.4.0.0; the ES&S DS200 Digital Precinct Scanner, EVS 6.0.2.0, Firmware 2.17.0.0.; and ES&S' Model DS850 High-Speed Scanner and Tabulator, Version 1, EVS 6.0.2.0., to use in all Dallas County polling places, and to mark and tabulate in-person ballots, absentee ballots, and provisional ballots for Early Voting and on Election Day for all elections, including but not limited to any Special Called Election and any related subsequent runoff elections and hereby adopts this system for use in this election.

8. The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as nearly as may be, by the Election Code of this State, and the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator shall furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.

9. The early voting ballots shall be processed by the Joint Election Early Voting Ballot Board appointed by Dallas County.

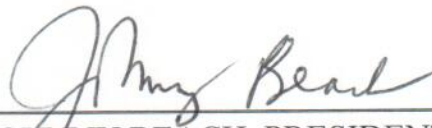
10. The Board of Trustees shall give notice of said election. The Board President, as the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to execute the notice of election. The Secretary of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and instructed to post or cause to be posted said notice on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Said posting shall be made at least 21 days (Tuesday, October 13, 2020) before the date of said election.

The Secretary shall also cause a copy of the election notice to be (1) posted on the District's website and (2) published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the County where the School District is located. Said newspaper publication shall be not more than 30 days (Sunday, October 4, 2020), nor less than 10 days (Saturday, October 24, 2020) before the date of said election.

It is further found and determined that written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board located in the central administrative office in this School District, in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and said notice, having been so posted, remained posted for the time required by law to precede the scheduled time of said meeting.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same does pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted "AYE": Larry Glick, Johnny Beach, Linda L. Griffin, James Miller, Jed Reed, Robert Selders, Jr., and Wesley Johnson with no persons voting "NO."



JOHNNY BEACH, PRESIDENT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ATTEST:



JAMES MILLER, SECRETARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT