

## **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

TAKE NOTICE THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF DALHART AS PROVIDED IN AN ORDINANCE DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SAID CITY, WHICH ORDINANCE IS SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:

### **ORDINANCE CALLING A BOND ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Dalhart, Texas (the "City") deems it advisable to call the bond election hereinafter ordered (the "Election"); and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS, THAT:

**Section 1. Findings.** The statements contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

**Section 2. Election Ordered; Polling Places.** The Election shall be held in the City between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 2, 2020 ("Election Day"). The Election is to be conducted by the City Secretary. Voting for the Election on Election Day shall occur at Dalhart City Hall, 205 Rock Island Ave., Dalhart, TX.

**Section 3. Early Voting.** Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at Dalhart City Hall, 205 Rock Island Ave., Dalhart, TX, during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being April 20, 2020 through April 28, 2020; the hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each day except Saturdays, Sundays and legal state holidays.

**Section 4. Election Officials.** The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by City Secretary, in accordance with the Code. The City Secretary may employ other personnel necessary for the proper administration of the Election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the Election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during early voting and on Election Day, and for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station.

**Section 5. Voting by Mail.** Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the City shall submitted by personal delivery not later than April 17, 2020, or shall be mailed to the address below and received (not postmarked) by April 20, 2020. Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the City shall be sent as follows:

Frances Childers, City Secretary  
205 Rock Island Ave.  
Dalhart, TX 79022

**Section 6. Early Voting Ballots.** An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the City Secretary. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more

additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

**Section 7. Qualified Voters.** All qualified electors of and residing in the City, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

**Section 8. Proposition.** At the Election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

Shall the City Council of the City of Dalhart, Texas be authorized to issue the bonds of the City, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,440,000 for the purpose of constructing and acquiring a fire station and related improvements and equipment, with said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not to exceed 40 years from their date, and bear interest at such rate or rates, not to exceed the respective limits prescribed by law at the time of issuance, and to be sold at such price or prices, as the City Council in its discretion shall determine; and shall there be levied and pledged, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said City in an amount sufficient to pay the annual interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund to pay said bonds at maturity?

**Section 9. Ballots.** The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

FOR                                    ) THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,440,000 OF BONDS BY THE CITY OF  
  ) DALHART, TEXAS FOR A FIRE STATION. TAXES SUFFICIENT TO  
AGAINST                            ) PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS WILL BE  
  ) IMPOSED.

**Section 10. Compliance with State and Federal Law.** In all respects, the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA") and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code. The City hereby finds that the voting system to be used by the County Clerk in administering the Election is such a system, and orders that such voting equipment or other equipment certified by the Texas Secretary of State shall be used by the City in its elections.

**Section 11. Debt Obligations.** The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.009(b), Texas Election Code.

- (a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.
- (b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.

(c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is \$5,440,000.

(d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the City Council will be authorized to levy annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the City, sufficient, within the limits prescribed by law, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds.

(e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Ordinance, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 2.75%. Such estimate takes into account a number of factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds and notes. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information, but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.

(f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed the maximum number of years authorized by law.

(g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the City's debt obligations as of the date of this Ordinance is \$8,339,000.00.

(h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the City's debt obligations as of the date of this Ordinance is \$970,089.50.

(i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the City as of the date of this Ordinance is \$0.00 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

**Voter Information Document – City of Dalhart, Texas Special Election  
Proposition A**

**Ballot Information:** At the Election, the following language will appear on the ballot:

CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DALHART, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

FOR                            ) THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,440,000 OF BONDS BY THE CITY OF  
                                   ) DALHART, TEXAS FOR A FIRE STATION. TAXES SUFFICIENT TO  
 AGAINST                  ) PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS WILL BE  
                                   ) IMPOSED.

**Estimated Debt Service Information:**

The following table sets forth the estimated principal amount of, and interest due to maturity on, the bonds to be issued if Proposition A passes, and all existing outstanding obligations of the City secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes.

Principal Amount of Bonds to be authorized under Proposition A	Estimated interest for Bonds to be authorized under Proposition A <sup>(1)</sup>	Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the Bonds to be authorized under Proposition A <sup>(1)</sup>	Principal of City's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 2/11/2020)	Remaining interest on City's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 2/11/2020)	Combined Principal and Interest to timely pay City's Existing Outstanding Debt (as of 2/11/2020)
\$5,440,000.00	\$2,565,019.00	\$8,005,019.00	\$8,339,000.00	\$970,089.50	\$9,309,089.50

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest is estimated based on bond market conditions as of February 11, 2020. If Proposition A is approved by the voters, upon the actual sale of the bonds, the principal amount of bonds sold may increase (but not in excess of authorized principal amount of \$5,440,000) or decrease based on market conditions at the time of such sale. The interest on the proposed bonds under Proposition A was calculated at a rate of 2.75% based on market conditions as of February 11, 2020, and therefore, the interest payable on such proposed bonds may be less than, or more than, the amounts set forth above based on market conditions at the time of sale of the proposed bonds to be authorized under Proposition A.

Based on the information and assumptions provided in the table above, the estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the City with a taxable appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the proposed bonds to be authorized under Proposition A, is \$56.40. This estimate assumes no annual growth of the City's taxable assessed valuation and holds the City's existing taxable assessed valuation constant for the life of the bonds, and assumes that the proposed bonds will be issued to mature in thirty years in an amortization that will produce relatively consistent levels of debt service in each year.

The information provided in this Document is to comply with Tex. H.B. 477 86th Leg., R.S. (2019), which requires a voter information document for each proposition to be submitted to the voters.