

JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT 2021

Whereas, Hardin County, Texas, (hereafter referred to as “County”) and other Local Political Subdivision’s, (collectively referred to hereafter as the “LPS’s”), each anticipate holding election(s) between the dates of August 2021 to December 2021; and

Whereas, each of the individual LPS’s are located partially or entirely within Hardin County, Texas (the “County”); and

Whereas, the County has contracted or is contracting with each individual LPS to conduct and provide election services for that respective LPS’s Election(s) from August 2021 to December 2021; and

Whereas, each individual LPS desires to enter into a joint election agreement with the County for the purpose of sharing election equipment, services of election officials, and sharing precinct polling locations and election ballots where appropriate.

NOW THEREFORE, the LPS agrees as follows:

- I. **Scope of Joint Election Agreement.** This Agreement applies only to elections held from August 2021 through December 2021.
- II. **Appoint Election Officer.** This Agreement appoints the Hardin County Clerk to serve as the Election Officer for each LPS in order to perform and supervise the duties and responsibilities of the Election Officer.
- III. **Duties of County Election Officer:** The duties of the County Election Officer include but are not limited to the following:
 - A) Providing and programming all election equipment
 - B) Ordering all election supplies, including ballots.
 - C) Providing shared polling places and poll workers
 - D) Performing all duties pertaining to ballots by mail
 - E) Tabulating all votes and providing reports of votes cast.
 - F) Publishing the shared Notice of Election in the local newspapers and on the Hardin County Website only.
- IV. **Duties of Local Political Subdivision.** Each LPS will be responsible for the following duties:
 - A) Posting the Notice of Election provided on the website held.
 - B) Providing the wording and candidate's or proposition(s) order for the ballot.
 - C) Proof and approve the wording provided by the Election Officer.
 - D) Pay the fee associated with programming the ballot as billed by Hart InterCivic.
- V. **Early Voting Polling Locations.** The Early Voting locations for the elections will be at:
 - A) The Hardin County Courthouse - 300 Monroe, Kountze, TX 77625 in the County Courtroom;
 - B) YYAFA Center – 170 West FM 418, Silsbee, TX 77656
 - C) Lumberton City Hall - 836 N Main Street, Lumberton, TX 77657; and
 - D) The Sour Lake Community Center - 350 South Ann Street, Sour Lake, TX 77659.

- VI. **Election Day Polling Locations.** Election Day voting shall be held in common precincts, where appropriate, at the dates, times, and locations recommended by the Election Officer and authorized and ordered by the governing body of each LPS.
- VII. **Effective Date.** This agreement becomes effective upon execution by each individual LPS.
- VIII. **Amendments.** This agreement may not be amended or modified except in writing and upon execution by each LPS entering this Joint Election Agreement.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF Lumberton Municipal Utility District

In its meeting held the 5th day of August, 2021, and executed by its authorized representative.

By: 

Name: Nick CARTER

Title: President

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:



Glenda Alston

County Clerk, Hardin County, Texas

08-11-2021

Date