Resolution No. 20240213-1

A RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF A CITY SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF SINTON ON SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 TEXAS TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY A PROPOSITION ON THE QUESTION OF "THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF SINTON AT THE RATE OF ¼% TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS. THE TAX EXPIRES ON THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE OF THIS ELECTION UNLESS THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX IS REAUTHORIZED"; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, in 2016, pursuant to Chapter 327 of the Texas Tax Code, the voters of the City of Sinton approved a local sales tax rate of one-fourth of one-percent for street maintenance and repair; and

WHEREAS, Section 327.007 of the Texas Tax Code requires that such tax be reauthorized by the voters every four (4) years; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the best interest of the City to call a special election for the voters to consider a proposition relating to the reauthorization of one-fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of the municipal streets; and,

WHEREAS, the special election is to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City at a special election to be held in the City in conjunction with the City’s other elections on Saturday, May 4, 2024 and the City will establish the voting procedures and places by Resolution as is required by the Texas Election Code; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Tax Code, the combined rate of all local sales and use taxes imposed by the City and other political subdivisions having territory in the City will not exceed two (2) percent; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the special election proposition shall be "The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Sinton at the rate of ¼% to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized."

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SINTON, SINTON, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the findings set out in the preamble to this ordinance are hereby in all things approved.

Section 2. A special election is hereby ordered and scheduled to be held concurrent with the General City Election on May 4, 2024, to determine whether the ballot proposition appearing in Section 3 hereof shall be approved by a majority of the votes cast in such election in which all
qualified electors residing in the City shall participate. The referendum election shall be held and conducted in the manner prescribed by state law for all elections. The places for voting in such referendum election shall be such locations as shall otherwise be established for the General Election to elect City Councilmembers on May 4, 2024. All duly qualified electors of the City of Sinton shall be entitled to participate in said election.

Section 3. There shall be submitted at said special election a proposition for “The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Sinton at the rate of ¼% to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.”

Section 4. The proposed proposition shall be submitted to the qualified voters at the regular election on May 4, 2024 on the ballot and in the form of the following proposition:

Proposition No. 1: The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Sinton at the rate of ¼% to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized."

__________ YES — For the proposition.

__________ NO — Against the proposition.

Section 5. That said election shall be held within the City of Sinton at the Sinton Community Center, 1301 East Sinton Street, Sinton, Texas 78387.

Section 6. That said election shall be held in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and all duly qualified resident voters of the City of Sinton, Texas shall be qualified to vote.

Section 7. The San Patricio County Election Administrator will conduct and supervise the election and all voting on this Special Election shall be conducted in the same manner and times as the City’s General Election.

Section 8. The present boundaries of the City constituting one election precinct, the polls shall be open for voting from seven o’clock (7:00) a.m. until seven o’clock (7:00) p.m. at the following polling place, and the following are hereby appointed officers to conduct the election at said polling place:

POLLING PLACE
Sinton Community Center
1301 E. Sinton Street
Sinton, Texas 78387

ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR
Pamela Hill, Elections Administrator
The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to provide a copy of the RESOLUTION to the San Patricio County Election Administrator.

Section 9. A copy of this Resolution signed by the Mayor of the City Council and attested by the City Secretary shall serve as proper notice of said election. The City Secretary is authorized and directed to post a properly executed copy of said Notice of Election at City Hall and at the place where the election is to be held not less than 20 days prior to the date fixed for holding said election.

Section 10. That this Resolution shall be effective from and after its date of passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 13th day of February 2024.

MAYOR PRO TEM MARY SPEIDEL
CITY OF SINTON, TEXAS

ATTEST:

CATHY DUHART, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Desiree Voth, City Attorney