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Cedar Park-based Firefly awarded new DOD contract

STAFF REPORTS

Firefly Aerospace this week announced that it was awarded a new contract to perform a responsive on-orbit mission with its Elytra spacecraft in support of the U.S. Department of Defense's Defense Innovation Unit Sinequone Project.

During the DoD mission, Elytra will serve as a space maneuver vehicle to perform a series of responsive on-orbit tasks, including space domain awareness operations in low Earth orbit (LEO).

The mission is set to launch as early as 2027.

"Firefly has proven our ability to rapidly and reliably launch, land, and operate in space as we continue to execute bold missions from LEO to lunar orbit and beyond," said Jason Kim, CEO of Firefly Aerospace. "This national security mission will further demonstrate our ability to perform responsive on-orbit tasks when and where our customers need them with our highly maneuverable Elytra orbital vehicle. To achieve this, we equipped Elytra with many of the same flight-proven systems Firefly utilized to successfully land on the Moon after traveling 2.8 million miles across cislunar space."

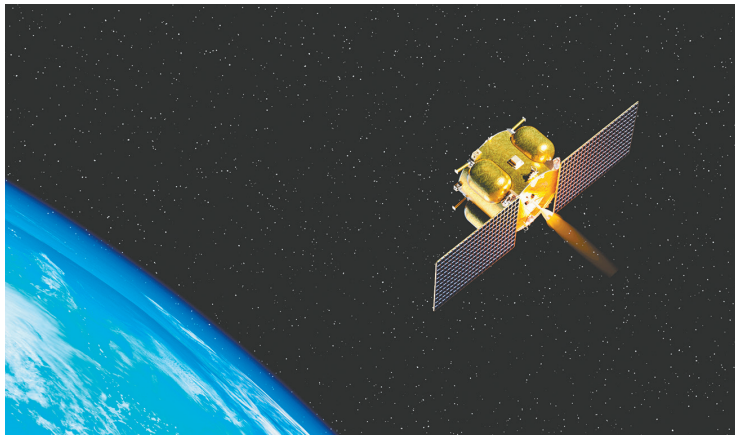
As part of the mission, Elytra will host a suite of government payloads, including optical visible and infrared cameras, a responsive navigation unit and a universal electrical bus with a payload interface module.

Firefly's Elytra Dawn con-

figuration will utilize common components from the company's launch vehicles and lunar landers, including the avionics, composite structures, and propulsion systems, to enable on-demand mobility, plane changes and maneuvers with high delta-V capabilities and reliability. Elytra's main engine, called Spectre, was recently flight-proven on Firefly's Blue Ghost lunar lander as the reaction control system thrusters that successfully performed Firefly's final descent on the Moon on March 2.

The DoD contract supports the DIU's Sinequone project that aims to deliver cost-effective, responsive access beyond Geosynchronous orbits, referred to as xGEO. This mission in LEO is the first step to enable future access and operations in xGEO on a responsive timeline. The award follows Firefly's initial trade studies that were completed for the DIU in 2024.

As demand for responsive on-orbit services continues to grow, Firefly is expanding its spacecraft production capabilities and was recently awarded an \$8.2 million grant from the Texas Space Commission to add additional spacecraft clean room space, test facilities, and infrastructure. This will allow Firefly to mass produce Elytra in higher quantities at a lower cost in support of long-haul communications relays, on-orbit payload hosting, maneuverability and other responsive services across cislunar space.



FIREFLY AEROSPACE

Cedar Park-based Firefly Aerospace was awarded a Department of Defense contract and the new mission will utilize Firefly's Elytra vehicle to perform on-demand orbital maneuvers and space domain awareness.



FILE PHOTO / SCOTT W. COLEMAN

In this file photo, passengers wait to board the Metro Rail at Lakeline Station. Transportation experts say bills proposed during the current legislative session could significantly hamper public transportation efforts in two of the state's largest urban areas.

Texas Republicans take aim at public transit in Austin and DFW

The Texas Legislature is considering bills that transit officials warn could hamper public transportation in two of the state's largest urban areas.

BY JOSHUA FECHTER
THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

DALLAS — Texas lawmakers could imperil the future of public transportation in two of the state's largest urban areas, transit officials and advocates warn.

Republican legislators are entertaining proposals to sap hundreds of millions of dollars from Dallas Area Rapid Transit, the state's largest public transit system, and thwart the voter-approved expansion of public transportation in Austin known as Project Connect.

Texas Republicans have long been wary of investing in public transit, given the state's cultural ties to oil and gas and automobiles — and have long pursued ways to undercut the state's urban areas. In the case of Project Connect, lawmakers see state intervention, at least in part, as a way to rein in high property taxes.

Here's what the proposed legislation would do.

DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT

North Texas legislators want to reroute 25% of the sales tax revenue collected by DART, which serves Dallas and 12 neighboring cities, toward a "general mobility program." Those cities could then draw

upon those funds to pay for projects like building sidewalks and roads and installing traffic signals.

Transit agency officials say such a move would be catastrophic, costing DART more than \$234 million in the upcoming

ing fiscal year. That loss would spur deep service cuts and layoffs. More than 125,000 people would completely lose access to bus and light rail service, the agency projects, including vulnerable residents like seniors and lower-income families. With decreased service, the agency would collect less in rider fares and lose federal funds, further compounding budgetary problems and creating a downward spiral.

"I think this is the end of DART if we do it," board chair Gary Slagel said at a recent DART meeting discussing the legislation. "I don't know how we survive if we do this."

Some cities have sought to reduce how much in sales tax revenue they pay into the transit agency, complaining that they don't benefit in proportion to how much they contribute. Plano, for example, contributed \$109 million in sales tax revenue to the system in 2023, but received about \$44 million worth of investment, according to a survey conducted by EY, a consulting firm. DART officials have said the EY survey doesn't capture the full financial benefit

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WilCo Judge Laura Barker receives Texas Impaired Driving Safety Award

STAFF REPORTS

Williamson County Judge Laura Barker of County Court at Law #2 was awarded the 2025 Texas Impaired Driving Safety Award in the judicial category at the Texas Impaired Driving Forum in Austin.

This award is jointly presented by the Texas Impaired Driving Task Force (TxIDTF) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in recognition of outstanding service toward the mission of eliminating drunk driving in the State of Texas.

Judge Barker presides over the DWI/Drug

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY

WilCo judges elected to leadership positions in Central Texas Justices of the Peace & Constables Association

STAFF REPORTS

The Central Texas Justices of the Peace & Constables Association recently announced the election of Williamson County Justice of the Peace Evelyn McLean as the 2025 president and Judge Angela Williams as the 2025 judge advocate for the Association. This significant achievement highlights the leadership capability and dedication of both judges in serving their communities.

CTJPCA serves a diverse region of 28 counties, including Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Bosque, Brazos, Brown, Burleson, Burnet, Comanche, Coryell, Falls, Gillespie, Hamilton, Hays, Hill, Lampasas, Lee, Limestone, Llano, Mason,

McLennan, Milam, Mills, Robertson, San Saba, Travis, Washington and Williamson County. The organization is committed to providing education, advocacy and support to enhance the offices of judges, constables and clerks throughout its service area.

Judge McLean, a respected figure in the Williamson County judicial community, expressed her gratitude for the trust placed in her.

"I am honored to serve as the president of the Central Texas Justices of the Peace & Constables Association," said McLean. "This is an incredible opportunity to collaborate with fellow judges and

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Cruz says a trade war would cost jobs, spur prices and be terrible for Texas

The Texas senator also highlights a potential “upside,” saying the Trump tariffs could entice other countries to negotiate lower trade barriers.

BY KATHARINE WILSON
THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

Sen. Ted Cruz warned his podcast listeners on Friday that Trump’s worldwide tariffs could harm Americans, but the senator is willing to wait and see how the tariffs play out.

“There is the potential for upside, but there are enormous risks,” Cruz said on an episode of his podcast, “Verdict with Ted Cruz.”

The tariffs, announced by President Donald Trump on Wednesday, range from 10% to 50% on goods from almost every country. Trump sees these tariffs as a way to protect American workers by bringing manufacturing to the United States and a way to punish other countries for their own trade restrictions.

However, Cruz said these tariffs could lead to increased prices for American consumers, lost jobs and a potential trade war. If the tariffs stay in place and other countries add tariffs to goods from the United States, Cruz said it could be terrible for Texas and the rest of the country.

“It will hurt jobs and hurt America, and there is a very real risk of that,” Cruz said of a potential trade war.

The Senator also said that if the tariffs stay in place, they will become the “biggest tax increase we have seen in a long, long time.”

Even so, Cruz isn’t moving away from the president’s tariff plan. He sees a possibility world leaders come to the president, ask for the tariffs to be removed, and offer to reverse their own tariffs on American products.

On Wednesday, Cruz joined most



ANNABELLE GORDON/SIPA USA/REUTERS VIA THE TEXAS TRIBUNE
U.S. Sen Ted Cruz, R-Texas, used his podcast to list what he said could be the risks of the Trump tariffs: higher costs, fewer jobs and an ongoing trade war.

Republicans in voting against a bill to block Trump’s tariffs on Canada – a measure that passed the chamber with the support of four Republicans and every Democrat. With chances unlikely in the House, it remains a mostly symbolic way for senators to express concerns about the Trump trade policy. Cruz has also not moved to support plans to limit a president’s ability to implement tariffs without the backing of Congress.

Ideally, Cruz said, countries will decrease tariffs on American goods and the Trump administration would respond by eliminating the tariffs on those countries. He said this would be a good outcome for small businesses, manufacturers and workers.

“If that happens, I will say Donald Trump had a vision on trade that very few people in the world saw, and this was a friggin home run,” Cruz said.

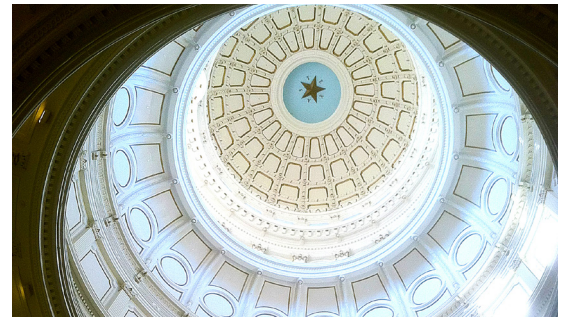
The senator also acknowledged that this broad approach to tariffs hasn’t been tried since the 1930 Smoot-Hawley tariffs — a move that likely worsened the

Great Depression. But, Cruz said the size of the American economy now might give the country more leverage and lead to a better outcome than the 1930 tariffs.

Cruz – chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation – focused much of his concern in the podcast episode on the impact tariffs could have on American car manufacturing. He said that one of the “big three” American car manufacturers this week told him that the tariffs will cause American car prices to increase and that foreign manufacturers may benefit more.

This week, Cruz said, could be the most consequential in Trump’s entire second term.

“I’m seeing a lot of Republican cheerleaders that are kind of reflexively defending what the White House is doing,” Cruz said. “Listen, I love President Trump, I’m his strongest supporter, and I think he’s doing incredible things as president. But here’s one thing to understand, a tariff is a tax.”



CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Court: TEA can release A-F school ratings

A judge with the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last week that the Texas Education Agency can release its 2023 A-F school accountability ratings, the Houston Chronicle reported.

The ruling overturned a district judge’s injunction after more than 120 school districts sued to stop TEA from releasing the ratings. Those districts argued that the agency did not provide enough advance notice about changes to the formula used to calculate the rating.

The A-F ratings assigned to each district and campus are based on standardized test performance, though the COVID-19 pandemic slowed the process. The appeals court ruled that TEA Commissioner Mike Morath had the authority to postpone their issuance or to change the standards after the 2022-2023 school year was over.

“We agree that after a race is over not everyone can be declared the winner,” the court’s opinion read. “But it is not our role as judges to decide whether the Commissioner’s decisions were necessary or fair. The Districts’ burden ... was to show the Commissioner acted ‘without legal authority,’ not that he should have exercised his discretion another way.”

Dueling property tax proposals compared

The Texas House and Senate have agreed to spend at least \$6 billion to cut property taxes but are taking different approaches, The Texas Tribune reported. The most significant difference that must be reconciled is whether businesses or homeowners get the larger tax break.

The House measure gives more relief to businesses. It would exempt up to \$250,000 of business inventory from all property taxes, up from \$2,500. House Speaker Dustin Burrows, R-Lubbock, backs the bill.

The Senate version focuses on bigger tax breaks for homeowners, largely by raising the homestead exemption once again, this time from \$100,000 to \$140,000. That bill passed unanimously in February. It contains an increase in personal property tax exemption from \$2,500 to \$25,000 – much lower than the House version.

Paxton cleared by DOJ, attacks Cornyn

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton is no longer being investigated by the U.S. Justice Department, which quietly declined to prosecute him in the final weeks of the Biden presidency, The Dallas Morning News reported.

Paxton took the opportunity to get a dig in at U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, whom he may challenge in next year’s GOP primary. Cornyn, in an online exchange in 2024 while the investigation was ongoing, told Paxton it would be “hard to run from prison.” Last week, Paxton replied.

“This former TX Supreme Court Justice and TX Attorney General ignored the rule of law, the Constitution, and innocent until proven guilty while standing with the corrupt Biden DOJ cheering on the bogus witch hunts against both me and President Trump,” Paxton wrote on X. “Care to comment now, John?”

Cornyn retorted that Paxton has agreed not to contest a civil suit filed by whistleblowers’ suit, which seeks millions in damages.

“Is this the same person that had a \$6.6 million judgment entered in Travis County based on the whistleblower complaints, and he didn’t contest any of the allegations? I’m confused,” Cornyn wrote.

Measles outbreak now at 481 cases

The outbreak of measles cases in the South Plains and Panhandle regions of Texas has jumped to 481, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. Fifty-six people have been hospitalized and one fatality recorded, in an unvaccinated school-age child. DSHS says more cases are likely given the highly contagious nature of measles. Most of the cases are in Gaines County, on the New Mexico border. That state has reported 54 cases as of Friday, while 10 have been reported in Oklahoma.

Texas has reported more measles cases in 2025 than in any full year since 1992, according to The News.

Bill enacts new regulations on large electricity users

A bill passed unanimously in the Senate and now pending in the House would enact new regulations on data centers and other major electricity users, the Chronicle reported.

The bill’s primary goal is to prevent a repeat of the deadly outages in February 2021 during Winter Storm Uri. It directs state regulators to figure out how to protect everyday residents and small businesses from huge rate hikes during weather emergencies, which is what happened to some users in 2021.

The growth of artificial intelligence is one factor in the boom in power demand. For example, Open AI’s first Stargate project being built in Abilene would require 1.2 gigawatts of electricity – enough to power a million homes for a year.

“It’s not an oil boom. It’s an economic boom led by big technology and their corresponding need for big electricity,” state Sen. Charles Schwertner, R-Georgetown, said on the Senate floor.

Gary Borders, a veteran award-winning Texas journalist, compiled this report. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches and, once upon a time, the Hill Country News in Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texaspres.com.

State sales tax revenue totaled \$3.7 billion in March

STAFF REPORTS

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said state sales tax revenue totaled \$3.68 billion in March, a 2.7% decrease from March 2024.

“State sales tax collections declined on a year-over-year basis for the first time since April 2024,” Hegar said. “Collections were down in all major business-related sectors as well as the retail sector, responsible for the largest share of sales tax revenue.”

Hotel occupancy taxes were down 8% to \$58 million, and alcoholic beverage taxes - reported at \$138 million — down 1% from March 2024.

“Among the major sectors driven mainly by business spending, the construction, manufacturing and wholesale

trade sectors all saw decreases, with receipts from the construction sector falling by double digits compared with March 2024,” Hegar said.

Remittances from the wholesale trade sector were down significantly, while collections from the manufacturing sector were down moderately.

Receipts from the information sector were up in March, driven once more by computer and data processing services.

“Remittances from the consumer-driven retail trade sector fell compared with last March, with nearly all subsectors coming in below their March 2024 totals,” Hegar explained. “Remittances from grocery stores were essentially flat compared with last March, and collections from electronic shopping were up slightly.”

Despite decreases in many sectors,

natural gas production taxes (up 36% to \$288 million) and motor vehicle sales and rental taxes (up 35% to \$541 million) bucked the recent trend.

“Receipts from restaurants increased from a year ago, but below the rate of inflation for food away from home for February.”

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in March 2025 was up 2.8% compared with the same period a year ago.

Motor fuel taxes were down 3% to \$293 million, and oil production taxes were down 10% to \$425 million.

Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58% of all tax collections.

The majority of March sales tax revenue is based on sales made in February and remitted to the agency in March.



• WILLIAMSON COUNTY – WILCOTX.GOV

The Williamson County Commissioners Court is the county’s governing body. Commissioners meet beginning at 9:30 each Tuesday morning at the Williamson County Courthouse in downtown Georgetown. Agendas and packets are available, and the meetings are streamed live, on the county’s website. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register.

• LEANDER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT – LEANDERISD.ORG

Leander ISD Board of Trustees meet the second and fourth Thursday each month at Cedar Park Middle School library located at 2100 Sun Chase

Boulevard at 6:15 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register. Agendas, board meeting packets and a live stream are on the district’s website.

• LAGO VISTA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT – LAGOVISTAISD.NET

Lago Vista ISD Board of Trustees meet at 6:15 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at 8039 Bar-K Ranch Road in Lago Vista. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register. You can find agendas and board meeting packets on the district’s website.

• CITY OF CEDAR PARK – CEDARPARKTEXAS.GOV

Agendas and minutes for all boards and commissions are available, and many meetings

are streamed live, on the city’s website.

• CEDAR PARK CITY COUNCIL

Meets at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at City Council Chambers, 450 Cypress Creek Road, Building 4. Council agendas and packets are available on the city’s website. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register.

• CITY OF LEANDER – LEANDERTX.GOV

Agendas and minutes for all boards and commissions are available, and City Council meetings are streamed live, on the city’s website.

• LEANDER CITY COUNCIL

Meets at 6 p.m. the first and

third Thursday of each month in the City Council Chambers, Pat Bryson Municipal Hall, 201 N. Brushy Street. Council agendas and packets are available on the city’s website. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register.

• CITY OF LAGO VISTA – LAGOVISTATEXAS.ORG

Agendas and minutes for all boards and commissions are available on the city’s website.

• LAGO VISTA CITY COUNCIL

Meets 6:30 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 5803 Thunderbird Drive. Council agendas and packets are available on the city’s website. Meetings are open to the public. If you wish to speak, arrive early and register.

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Williamson County to host final Atlas 14 open house event

STAFF REPORTS

Williamson County will host the final public open house event for the Atlas 14 Floodplain Mapping Study on Thursday, April 17, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Williamson County Georgetown Annex, 100 Wilco Way, in Georgetown.

Following numerous severe flooding events during the past several years, Williamson County partnered with the Texas Water Development Board to create the active Atlas 14 Floodplain Study. The study will help identify where flood

exposure is located and where prevention measures are needed to save lives and protect property.

The final open house event for the study will take place in Room 226 at the Georgetown Annex.

The event will provide an opportunity for the public to learn about the findings of the study, view their property on the interactive flood studies map, and speak with members of the project team. Public meeting materials will also be available online beginning April 17, at www.wilcotx.gov/Atlas-14.

Travis County Sheriff's Office Victim Services Unit seeking volunteers

STAFF REPORTS

The Travis County Sheriff's Office Victim Services Unit is seeking persons of excellent moral standing with the sensitivity and self-awareness necessary to provide effective assistance to those in crisis.

TCSO VSU Volunteers provide immediate assistance to victims of various criminal and crisis circumstances including, but not limited to: Family Violence, Sexual Assaults, Child/Elder Abuse, Aggravated Assaults, Robberies/Burglaries, Suicides, Structure Fires, Death Notifications, Natural/Accidental Deaths and Major Traffic Accidents.

TCSO VSU Volunteers must complete a comprehensive 5-week training program that is scheduled for May 31 – June 28, 2025 (Saturdays, 9am- 5pm). Volunteers will assist with phone calls and will be accompanied on a series of in-person responses before being cleared to take calls for service independently.

TCSO VSU Volunteers need to be 21 or older, with a reliable, insured vehicle, a working cell phone and a schedule that allows for (4) four-hour shifts of on-call duty per month. Volunteers must also be willing to submit to a background check that includes fingerprints.

To volunteer, visit <https://www.tcsosheriff.org/victim-services/volunteers>.

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Leander, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados de la Ciudad de Leander, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 3, 2025 for voting in the following elections:

Notifíquese, por la presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3 de mayo de 2025 para votar en las siguientes elecciones:

General Election: To elect Council Member Place 1, Council Member Place 3, and Council Member Place 5 from the city at large.

Elección General: Para elegir Miembro del Concejal, el Lugar 1, un Miembro del Concejal, el Lugar 3, y el Miembro del Concejal, el Lugar 5 de la ciudad en general.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES POR DISTRICCIÓN)

Registered voters of the jurisdictions participating in the May 3, 2025 Election may vote at any location listed below. 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Los votantes registrados en las jurisdicciones participantes en la elección del 3 de mayo del 2025, podrán votar en cualquiera de los lugares de votación listados abajo. 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Williamson County Election Day Polling Vote Centers Locations (Subject to Change)

Ubicaciones de los centros de votación del día la elección del condado de Williamson (sujeto a cambios)

Austin: Spicewood Springs Library, Periodical Reading Room 101, 8637 Spicewood Springs Road

Austin: Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex, Conference Room 101, 10211 W Parmer Lane

Bartlett: Bartlett City Hall, Town Hall, 140 W. Clark Street

Cedar Park: ACC Cypress Creek, Room 1102, 1555 Cypress Creek Road

Cedar Park: Lakeline Oaks, Conference Room, 1000 Old Mill Road

Cedar Park: Staybridge Suites Cedar Park, Boardroom, 1110 Arrow Point Drive

Cedar Park: Cedar Park Recreation Center, San Gabriel Room, 1435 Main Street

Cedar Park: Treasure of the Hills Senior Center, TV Room, 408 Ridgewood Drive

Georgetown: Georgetown Annex, HR 108, 100 Wilco Way, HR 108

Georgetown: Georgetown City Hall, Community Room, 808 Martin Luther King, Jr. Street

Georgetown: Georgetown ISD Technology Bldg., Conference Room, 603 Lakeway Drive

Georgetown: The Oaks Community Center – Sun City, 301 Del Webb Boulevard

Granger: Granger City Hall, Lobby, 214 E. Davilla Street

Hutto: Hutto City Hall, Council Chambers, 500 W. Live Oak Street

Leander: Leander Public Library Annex, 1011 S. Bagdad Road

Leander: Park at Crystal Falls Apartments, Phase 2 Clubhouse, 7860 183A Toll Road

Leander: Pat Bryson Municipal Hall, Council Chambers, 201 N. Brushy Street

Leander: Larkspur Elementary School, Gymnasium, 424 Rusk Bluff Avenue

Liberty Hill: Liberty Hill ISD Gym Annex, Gym, 301 Forest Street

Liberty Hill: Santa Rita Ranch, Ranch House, Great Room, 175 Elizabeth Park Boulevard

Round Rock: Allen R. Baca Senior Center, Bldg. 2, Meeting Room 3, 301 W. Bagdad Avenue

Round Rock: Williamson County Jester Annex, Anderson & Harrell Room, 1801 E Old Settlers Blvd

Round Rock: Round Rock Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 4010 Sam Bass Road

Taylor: Taylor City Hall, Auditorium, 400 Porter Street

Taylor: Taylor ISD Event Center, Event Center, 3101 N. Main Street

Thrall: St. John Lutheran Church, Education Center, 409 S. Main Street

Travis County Election Day Polling Vote Centers Locations (Subject to Change)

Ubicaciones de los centros de votación del día the la elección del condado de Travis (sujeto a cambios)

Austin: Connally High School, Large Gym Foyer, 13212 N. Lamar Boulevard

Austin: Randalls Flagship West Lake Hills, Café, 3300 Bee Caves Road

Austin: Laura Bush Community Library, Commons, 9411 Bee Caves Road

Austin: Lake Travis ISD Educational Development Center, Sage Room, 607 Ranch Road 620 North

Austin: Lake Travis ISD Transportation Center, Training Room, 16101 State Highway 71, Building A

Austin: Lost Creek Limited District, Board Room, 1305 Quaker Ridge Drive

Austin: Riverbend Center, QUAD4ABCD, 4214 N. Capital of Texas Highway

Austin: Travis County Clerk, Early Voting Room, 5501 Airport Boulevard

Austin: Our Savior Lutheran Church, Narthex, 1513 E. Yager Lane

Bee Cave: Bee Cave City Hall, Community Room A, 4000 Galleria Parkway

Cedar Park: Christ Episcopal, Outreach Center, 3520 W. Whitestone Boulevard

Cedar Park: Deer Creek Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 2420 Zeppelin Drive

Creedmoor: Creedmoor Community Center, Meeting Room, 12511 FM 1625

Elgin: ACC Elgin, Multi-Purpose Room 1143, 1501 US 290

Lago Vista: Lago Vista High School, Multi-purpose Room, 5185 Lohman Ford Road

Leander: Whitestone Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 2000 Crystal Falls Parkway

Pflugerville: PflISD Rock Gym, Gym, 702 W. Pecan Street

Pflugerville: Murchison Elementary School, Cafeteria, 2215 Kelly Lane

Pflugerville: Bible Baptist Church of Pflugerville, Auditorium, 14400 Immanuel Road

Round Rock: All Nations Church, Family Room, 16804 Radholme Court

Spicewood: Briarcliff POA Community Center, Community Room, 22801 Briarcliff Drive

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Dates and Times for Full-Time Locations:

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8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. *8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*

NO Sunday Voting *Domingo NO habrá votación*

Monday, April 28 and Tuesday, April 29 *lunes 28 de abril y martes 29 de abril*

7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. *7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.*

LEANDER MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATION

(UBICACION PRINCIPAL DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA DE LEANDER)

Leander Public Library Annex, 1011 S. Bagdad Road

Williamson County Early Voting Polling Vote Centers Locations (Subject to Change)

Ubicaciones de los centros de votación de votación anticipada del condado de Williamson (sujeto a cambios)

Austin: Spicewood Springs Library, Periodical Reading Room, 8637, Spicewood Springs Road

Bartlett: Bartlett City Hall, Council Chambers, 140 W. Clark Street

Cedar Park: Lakeline Oaks, Conference Room, 1000 Old Mill Road

Cedar Park: Staybridge Suites Cedar Park, Boardroom, 1110 Arrow Point Drive

Cedar Park: Cedar Park Recreation Center, San Gabriel Room, 1435 Main Street

Georgetown: Georgetown City Hall, Community Room, 808 Martin Luther King, Jr. Street

Georgetown: Georgetown ISD Technology Bldg., Conference Room, 603 Lakeway Drive

Georgetown: The Oaks Community Center – Sun City, 301 Del Webb Boulevard

Hutto: Hutto City Hall, Council Chambers, 500 W. Live Oak Street

Leander: Leander Public Library Annex, 1011 S. Bagdad Road

Leander: Park at Crystal Falls Apartments, Phase 2 Clubhouse, 7860 183A Toll Road

Liberty Hill: Liberty Hill ISD Gym Annex, Gym, 301 Forest Street

Round Rock: Allen R. Baca Senior Center, Building 2 Room 3, 301 W Bagdad Avenue

Round Rock: Williamson County Jester Annex, Anderson & Harrell Room, 1801 E Old Settlers Boulevard

Taylor: Taylor City Hall, Auditorium, 400 Porter Street

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Williamson County Elections Administrator
Bridget Escobedo
Williamson County Elections Department

By mail:
(Por correo)
PO Box 209
Georgetown, TX 78627

Physical address:
(Dirección física)
Williamson County Inner Loop Annex
Elections Department
301 SE Inner Loop Ste 104
Georgetown, TX 78626

Telephone Number (el número de teléfono): (512) 943-1630
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Sunday, April 27 *domingo 27 de abril*

Noon – 6:00 p.m. *Noon – 6:00 p.m.*

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Austin: Lake Travis ISD Educational Development Center, Sage Room, 607 Ranch Road 620 North

Austin: Riverbend Centre, QUAD4ABCD, 4214 N. Capital of Texas Highway

Austin: Randall's Flagship West Lake Hills, Café, 3300 Bee Caves Road

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Travis County Elections Administrator
Dyana Limon-Mercado, County Clerk
Travis County Early Voting Clerk

By mail:
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Austin, TX 78714-9325

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Elections Division
Travis County Clerk
5501 Airport Boulevard
Austin, Texas 78751

Telephone (el número de teléfono): (512) 238-VOTE
Email (el correo electrónico): elections@traviscountytx.gov
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Texas Democrats criticize school leaders for being too “nice” about funding needs

Lawmakers recently listened to testimony on House Bill 2, which would raise schools’ base funding per student by \$220 — a figure that falls short of what many Texans say is needed.

BY JADEN EDISON
THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

A group of Texas superintendents last month had an opportunity to argue why lawmakers should increase the base amount of state funding their schools receive for each student. But not all of them did so, leading Democrats to criticize the district leaders for not taking a more assertive approach to an issue threatening the stability of public education.

The exchange between school administrators and Democrats came while the House Public Education Committee conducted the first of two public hearings over the chamber’s priority school funding legislation. House Bill 2, a sweeping measure authored by Rep. Brad Buckley, R-Salado, would increase schools’ base funding, raise merit pay for teachers, enhance state support for educator preparation and overhaul how Texas pays for special education.



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Texas Democrats criticized school district leaders for not being more assertive about their state funding needs during a House Public Education Committee hearing last month.

The first day of the hearings featured testimony only from guest speakers invited by lawmakers — which included school superintendents, teachers and public education advocates — while the second hearing invited the general public to comment on the bill.

One of the key parts of the House proposal that received

significant attention on both days would raise the base amount of money public schools receive for each student, referred to as the basic allotment, by \$220 — a figure that falls significantly short of the roughly \$1,000-\$1,400 increase public education advocates have called for in recent years. The bill does not include inflation-based adjustments to the allotment.

During an early portion of the 10-hour public hearing on Tuesday, Rep. John Bryant, a Dallas Democrat, asked district officials how much of an increase to schools’ base funding they would need to address their challenges.

“That’s a very hard question,” said Joe Kucera, the superintendent of the Lorena school district who represented the Texas Association of Midsize Schools at the hearing. “Obviously, we’re thankful for anything we get to improve the basic allotment. I don’t know that I have that number off the top of my head. I know that I’m very thankful for Chairman Buckley to give us an increase to the basic allotment.”

One of the reasons Kucera showed up in support of HB 2, he added, was “because the reality is we need an increase to the basic allotment.”

The answer did not satisfy Bryant, who sought to make clear that the hearing provided schools an opportunity to help improve the bill before it leaves the committee. He then directed the question to Marty Crawford, superintendent of the Tyler school district. But the response was similar.

“I think it would be irresponsible of me to give you a number that would satisfy all of those needs, because we also need to make sure we keep the taxpayers in mind on this too and making sure that we’re not penalizing them, because they’re struggling as well,” Crawford, testifying on behalf of the Texas School Alliance, said. “I think the starting point of around \$220 is a good starting point. I would love to see an increase to that. If you want to put something to it, double that and see how it goes. But again, y’all are the decision makers on that.”

Kelly Rasti, associate executive director of Governmental Relations for the Texas Association of School Boards, said adjusting the base funding for inflation since 2019 would equate to over a \$1,300 increase. But Rasti said schools may not have to depend as much on that funding because the bill would provide more dollars in areas of critical need — like special education. Therefore, she said she would need to see projections on how the bill would affect districts before providing a clear answer to Bryant’s question.

“I think it’s definitely higher than \$220,” Rasti said. “It’s probably more in the \$600 range.”

Rep. Gina Hinojosa, D-Austin, said she appreciated school officials’ “pleasant” approach to their testimony. But if they want to see meaningful increases to public education funding, she added, they will need to voice their concerns in the same ways they have done so privately.

“You can’t let nice get in the way of advocating for what your districts need. If this is enough, then OK, but you can’t expect us to fight if you’re not going to fight for your districts,” Hinojosa said. “When you close schools in your district, when you lay off teachers, you’re going to own that if you’re not going to come here and fight for what you need.”

During Thursday’s hearing, which was open to the public, school district leaders stressed the need to raise their base funding by detailing the struggles their districts have experienced after going more than a half-decade without a significant increase.

“We are \$15 million in a deficit,” said Darren Cole-Ochoa, director of student services and family engagement at the San Marcos school district. “We just recently, this week, had to lay off 100 employees. That’s parent liaisons, that’s teachers, paraprofessionals, cafeteria workers and bus drivers. And then, in addition, we are now having to increase classroom sizes.”

Justin Crittenden, a Texas high school principal who testified on his own behalf, told lawmakers that a \$1,200-\$1,300 boost to schools’ per-student funding would be a good start.

“For too long, we’ve asked our educators to do more with less while inflation erodes their salaries,” Crittenden said. “A significant increase in the basic allotment is essential to keep up with these inflationary pressures and fund the salaries for our teachers.”

Taylor Carriker-Cavin, a teacher, said the state providing meaningful increases to base funding and allocating more money to areas like special education should work in tandem — and that lawmakers should not prioritize one over the other.

“When I think about the basic allotment, I’m thinking about the needs of that individual student, their school supplies. Because we are getting them their school supplies. They don’t come in with school supplies,” Carriker-Cavin said. “But that also includes things like subscriptions to learning services, which the prices have increased with inflation, but our basic allotment has not. So we’re taking funding from field trips, which are very valuable learning experiences. And principals are having to consider: Are we going to pay for subscriptions to resources, or are we going to have them able to go on field trips?”

The House recently introduced its school funding bill as part of a broad education agenda that includes establishing a private school voucher program and reworking the state’s discipline and school accountability standards. Buckley, the Salado Republican who chairs the Public Education Committee, said Tuesday that lawmakers would spend the next two weeks revising the school funding proposal before voting March 18 on whether to send the measure to the full Legislature for consideration.

Lawmakers have not increased the base amount of money schools receive from the state since 2019 despite inflation. The basic allotment offers districts the flexibility to raise salaries for essential employees — like bus drivers, nurses and teachers — and helps them combat the rising costs of goods and services that keep their campuses functioning.

The Legislature instead appears slated to invest more heavily in targeted programs like the Teacher Incentive Allotment, a merit pay initiative that allows eligible school districts to award bonuses to instructors based on their students’ academic growth. More than 25,000 teachers — across almost 500 districts — participated in the program last school year. Texas has more than 384,000 teachers and more than 1,200 districts. Teachers and school districts that do not participate in the program would not qualify for the funding boost in HB 2, which some who testified this week said they opposed.

Districts have said the state’s reluctance to raise the funds flowing into their base pot of money has only worsened their struggles, ranging from budget deficits and program cuts to school closures and teacher shortages.

In the buildup to the legislative session in January, public education advocates sounded the alarm on the dire financial circumstances the lack of significant funding increases has caused. Some lawmakers have also publicly spoken about how district leaders have shown up to their offices pleading for more support.

But Republicans have grown reluctant to increase schools’ base dollars significantly. While the House proposed a modest increase, the Texas Senate bill does not include any boost to the allotment. Texas conservatives have long accused districts of spending too much money on administrators at the expense of instructor pay and student

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- April 16**
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9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Pat Bryson Municipal Hall, 201 N. Brushy St., Leander
- April 16**
Joint Ribbon Cutting: Smokey Mo's BBQ - Cedar Park
10:00 AM
1550 Cypress Creek Rd, Cedar Park
- April 17**
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Request For Qualifications RFQ No. 25-06 Engineering Design of WTP #3 Upgrade to 6.0 MGD

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Proposals may be submitted online through BidNetDirect at <http://www.bidnetdirect.com/texas/lagovista>; or by email to procurement@lagovistatexas.gov; or mailed to the City of Lago Vista at P.O. Box 4727, Lago Vista, TX 78645; or delivered to the Lago Vista City Hall at 5803 Thunderbird, Lago Vista, TX 78645.

A more detailed description of this Request for Qualifications and a description of the desired scope of services and requirements related to the anticipated form of agreement for this project are available in the link above and from Eric De La Cruz (Eric.DeLaCruz@lagovistatexas.gov).

All questions and requests for explanations, clarifications, or interpretations must be received by email to Victor.manzano@lagovistatexas.gov prior to April 23, 2025, at 5p.m. CST. The City of Lago Vista reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive informalities or irregularities, and to accept the proposal deemed to represent the best value to the City.

INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed Bids, in duplicate, addressed to TRAVIS COUNTY MUD NO. 20, Attention Samuel Billings, President, Board of Directors, will be received at the office of Pape Dawson Consulting Engineers, LLC., 10801 North Mopac Expressway, Building 3, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78759, until 2:00 p.m. Local Time, May 2nd, 2025, and then publicly opened and read for "TRAVISSO PHASE 3, SECTION 9" for Leander, Travis County, Texas.

Scope of Work of the Contract includes the following: Streets, Drainage, Water, and Wastewater Improvements.

Bids received after the closing time will be returned unopened. A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held on April 18th, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, at the office of Pape Dawson Consulting Engineers, LLC., 10801 North Mopac Expressway, Building 3, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78759. Attendance by each prospective bidder or its representative at the pre-bid conference is MANDATORY, and no Bid will be opened unless the bidder or representative was present at the pre-bid conference.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a certified or cashier's check, acceptable to the Owner, in an amount not less than two percent (2%) of the total amount Bid, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into the Contract and execute the Payment and Performance Bonds on the forms provided, and provide the required insurance certificates within seven (7) days after the date Contract Documents are received by the Contractor.

Copies of the bidding documents are on file at the following locations: 10801 North Mopac Expressway, Building 3, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78759.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive all defects and irregularities in bidding or bidding process except time of submitting a Bid. The Successful Bidder, if any, will be the responsible Bidder which in the Board's judgment will be most advantageous to the District and result in the best and most economical completion of the Project.

The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this Bid and the Contractor agrees that the Contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

TRAVIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 20

City of Leander City Manager Seeks Citizens to Serve on Leander Fire Fighters' Civil Service Commission

The Leander City Manager is currently accepting applications from citizens interested in volunteering their services on the Leander Fire Fighters' Civil Service Commission.

A person appointed to the Commission must be:

1. of good moral character;
2. a United States citizen;
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Applications will be accepted through May 16, 2025.

Anyone interested in serving is encouraged to forward a completed application to Dara Crabtree, City Secretary, 105 N. Brushy St. Leander, Texas 78641. The application can be downloaded from the City's website at <https://www.leandertx.gov/533/Boards-Commissions> or obtained by contacting Ms. Crabtree at 512.528.2743.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lago Vista Planning and Zoning Commission will hold Public Hearings on Thursday May 8, 2025 and the City Council will conduct public hearings on May 15th for consideration of the items listed below. Both meetings to begin at 6:30 PM and to be conducted in the Council Chamber of the City Hall building located at 5803 Thunderbird St. Lago Vista Travis County TX 78645. The public is invited to participate in these meetings and provide comments as desired. Additional options to watch and/or participate remotely may also be available subject to technical considerations and limitations. Details for such participation shall be indicated on the posted agenda for said meeting and posted on the City's web site. Any person needing special accommodation to participate is requested to contact the City Secretary Office a minimum of 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Project # 23-2777-R-REZ Consideration of a request to rezone a parcel of land from "TR-1" Temporary Restricted to "C-2" General Commercial Retail. Said rezoning proposed for an approximate 4.035 acre tract of land identified as Property ID No. 984238 by the Travis Central Appraisal District and situated in the Mary Campbell Survey Abstract No 129 in the City of Lago Vista, Travis County, Texas. Said tract having been conveyed to Leonard Strickler and more generally described as being along the west side of Lohman Ford Road approximately 380 feet south of the intersection of Lohman Ford Road and Travis Dr.

Project # 23-2778-R-REZ Consideration of a request recommendation regarding a request to rezone a parcel of land from "TR-1" Temporary Restricted to "C-2" General Commercial Retail. Said rezoning proposed for an approximate 3.776 acre tract of land identified as Property ID No. 999032 by the Travis Central Appraisal District and situated in the Mary Campbell Survey Abstract No 129 in the City of Lago Vista, Travis County, Texas. Said tract having been conveyed to Leonard Strickler and more generally described as being along the west side of Lohman Ford Road approximately 954 feet south of the intersection of Lohman Ford Road and Travis Dr.

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NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - POINT VENTURE:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A BOND ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN SUCH DISTRICT, ON MAY 3, 2025, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

ORDER CALLING BOND ELECTION

STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

WHEREAS, Travis County Water Control and Improvement District - Point Venture (the "District") was duly created by Order of the Texas Water Rights Commission dated October 14, 1970, as a conservation and reclamation district created under and essential to accomplish the purposes of Section 59, Article XVI of the Texas Constitution and operates pursuant to Chapters 49 and 51 of the Texas Water Code; and

WHEREAS, the District was created for the purpose, among others, of providing water, wastewater, drainage and storm sewer facilities, including water quality facilities, to serve land development within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, there has been filed in the office of the District, open to inspection by the public, the Bond Authorization Report, signed and sealed by David Alexander Vargas on February 7, 2025 (the "Engineering Report"), covering the facilities to be voted including the plans and improvements to be constructed together with maps, plats, profiles, and data showing and explaining the Engineering Report, and the report has been carefully considered by the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") and has been fully approved by the Board; however, the Engineering Report is not part of the proposition to be voted on and is not a contract with the voters; and

WHEREAS, said works, improvements, facilities, land, plants, equipment, appliances, property, contract rights, rights of use and interests in property are designed and intended to furnish a waterworks, wastewater system and a drainage and storm sewer system (including water quality facilities) for the District; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Report heretofore filed and approved contains an estimate of the cost of the purchase, acquisition and construction of the proposed works, improvements, facilities, land, plants, equipment, appliances and an estimate of the District's costs due or to become due under contracts and the cost of purchasing and acquiring such property, contract rights, rights of use and interest in property, administrative facilities and expenses incident thereto with respect to the projects, as generally follows:

PRELIMINARY COST SUMMARY Water, Wastewater and Drainage Improvements

Construction Costs	
1. Water, Sewer, Reclaimed & Drainage Improvements	\$8,382,233
2. Contingencies (20%)	\$1,691,270
3. Engineering (30%)	\$2,428,907
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS	\$12,502,410

Non-Construction Costs	
1. Legal Fees (2%)	\$250,048
2. Financial Advisory Fees (2%)	\$250,048
3. Bond Discount (3%)	\$366,200
4. Administrative Fees (0.50%)	\$62,512
5. Bond Application Report Costs (1%)	\$125,024
6. Attorney General Review Fees (0.10%)	\$12,502
7. TCEQ Bond Issuance Fee (0.25%)	\$31,256
TOTAL NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS	\$1,097,590

TOTAL BOND ISSUE REQUIREMENT \$13,600,000

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the above estimate of \$13,600,000 is reasonable and proper and hereby approves the same and all items thereof but reserves the right to authorize amendments to the Engineering Report and to reallocate costs and make such other changes as necessary to meet the changing requirements of the District's system; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Constitution and the Texas Water Code, provides that bonds payable wholly or partially from ad valorem taxes shall not be issued until authorized by a majority vote of the resident electors of the District voting in an election called and held for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to call an election for the purpose of submitting a proposition on the issuance of the bonds for system facilities of the District in the amount of \$13,600,000 and the levy of taxes in payment of such bonds; and

WHEREAS, the District will enter into one or more election agreements (the "Election Agreements") with Travis County, Texas (the "County"), by and through the County Clerk of the County (the "Administrator") and possibly other political subdivisions, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas (the "State") and applicable federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to proceed with the ordering of said Election.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - POINT VENTURE THAT:

Section 1. Call of Election; Date; Eligible Electors; and Hours. An election (the "Election") shall be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025 ("Election Day"), which is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the "Order"), within and throughout the territory of the District at which all resident, qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote. The Board hereby finds that holding the Election on such date is in the public interest. The hours during which the polling places are to be open on Election Day shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 2. Voting Precincts; Polling Places; Election Officers. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Election Day precincts established for the purpose of holding the Election and the polling places designated for the Election precincts shall be as shown in **Exhibit A** to this Order. The precinct judges and alternate judges for the Election shall be appointed in accordance with the Texas Election Code (the "Election Code").

In the event that the President or Vice President of the Board (the "Authorized Officers"), or their designees, shall determine from time to time that (a) a polling place hereafter designated shall become unavailable or unsuitable for such use, or it would be in the District's best interests to relocate such polling place, or (b) a presiding judge or alternate presiding judge hereafter designated shall become unqualified or unavailable, the Authorized Officers, or their designee, are hereby authorized to designate and appoint in writing a substitute polling place, presiding judge or alternate presiding judge, and correct or modify the exhibits to this Order, giving such notice as is required by the Election Code and as deemed sufficient. The Authorized Officers or their designees are authorized to modify **Exhibit A** to reflect any such changes.

Section 3. Engineering Report. The Engineering Report and the estimates of costs described above are hereby approved; provided, however, the District reserves the right to authorize amendments to the Engineering Report and to reallocate costs and make such other changes as necessary to meet the changing requirements of the District's system.

Section 4. Proposition. At the Election there shall be submitted to the resident, qualified electors of the District the following proposition (the "Proposition"):

TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - POINT VENTURE PROPOSITION A

Shall the Board of Directors of Travis County Water Control and Improvement District - Point Venture be authorized to issue the bonds of said district in one or more issues or series in the maximum amount of \$13,600,000 maturing serially or otherwise in such installments as are fixed by said Board over a period or periods not exceeding forty (40) years from their date or dates, bearing interest at any rate or rates and to sell said bonds at any price or prices, provided that the net effective interest rate on any issue or series shall not exceed the maximum legal limit in effect at the time of issuance of each issue or series of bonds, all as may be determined by said Board, for the purpose or purposes of purchasing, constructing, acquiring, owning, operating, repairing, maintaining, improving or extending inside and outside its boundaries a waterworks system, wastewater system, drainage and storm sewer system (including water quality facilities), including, but not limited to, all additions to such systems and all works, improvements, facilities, land, plants, equipment, appliances, interests in property, and contract rights needed therefor and all organizational, administration and operating costs during creation and construction periods, and to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on such bonds by the levy and collection of a sufficient tax upon all taxable property within said district, all as now and hereafter authorized by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas?

Section 5. Ballots. The ballots shall conform to the requirements of the Election Code and shall have written or printed thereon the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - POINT VENTURE PROPOSITION A

[] FOR) THE ISSUANCE OF \$13,600,000 BONDS FOR
) WATER, WASTEWATER AND DRAINAGE
) PURPOSES AND THE LEVY OF TAXES IN
 [] AGAINST) PAYMENT OF THE BONDS.

Section 6. Voting. Electronic voting machines may be used in holding and conducting the Election on Election Day; provided, however, in the event the use of such electronic voting machines is not practicable, the Election may be conducted on Election Day by the use of paper ballots (except as otherwise provided in this section). Electronic voting machines or paper ballots may be used for early voting by personal appearance (except as otherwise provided in this section). As required by the Election Code, the District shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. To the extent permitted by law, paper ballots may be used for early voting by mail.

Each voter desiring to vote in favor of the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "FOR" the Proposition, and each voter desiring to vote against the Proposition shall mark the ballot indicating "AGAINST" the Proposition. Voting shall be in accordance with the Election Code.

Section 7. Early Voting. The Board hereby appoints the Administrator as the regular early voting clerk for the District. Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the locations, on the dates and at the times as shown in **Exhibit B**. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 and end on Tuesday, April 29, 2025.

For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the early voting clerk shall provide each voter with a ballot with instructions to mark the ballot indicating his or her vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Proposition. The contact information/delivery addresses for applications for ballots to be voted by mail and other matters related to the Election is as follows:

Name: Dyana Limon-Mercado
Official Mailing Address: Travis County Clerk - Elections Division, P.O. Box 149325, Austin, TX 78714
Physical Address: Elections Division, Travis County Clerk, 5501 Airport Boulevard, Suite #100, Austin, TX 78751
E-mail Address: elections@traviscountytexas.gov
Phone Number: (512) 238-8683
Fax Number: (512) 854-3969
Website Address: <https://votetravis.gov/>

The Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to designate the early voting ballot board and other officers required to conduct early voting for the Election.

Section 8. Conduct of Election. The Election shall be conducted by election officers, including the precinct judges and alternate judges or clerks appointed by the Board, in accordance with the Election Agreements, Chapters 49 and 51, Texas Water Code, the Election Code and the Constitution and laws of the State and the United States of America. The Authorized Officers, and their respective designees, are authorized to enter into, execute and deliver one or more Election Agreements, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Election Code, and such other agreements, notices and other instruments as are deemed necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this Order. The terms and provisions of each Election Agreement are hereby incorporated into this Order. To the extent of any conflict between this Order and an Election Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Election Agreement shall prevail, and the Authorized Officers, and their respective designees, are authorized to make such corrections, changes, revisions and modifications to this Order, including the exhibits hereto, as are deemed necessary or appropriate to conform to the Election Agreement, to comply with applicable state and federal law and to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced by this Order. The Administrator shall be responsible for establishing the central counting station for the ballots cast in the Election and appointing the personnel necessary for such station.

Section 9. Bilingual Election Materials. All notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in both English and Spanish and persons capable of acting as translators in both English and Spanish shall be made available to assist Spanish language speaking voters in understanding and participating in the election process.

Section 10. Delivery of Voted Ballots; Counting; Tabulation; Canvassing of Returns; Declaring Results. The ballots shall be counted by one or more teams of election officers assigned by the presiding judges, each team to consist of two or more election officers. After completion of their responsibilities under the Election Code, including the counting of the voted ballots and the tabulation of the results, the presiding judge shall make a written return of the Election results to the District in accordance with the Election Code. The Board shall canvass the returns and declare the results of the Election.

If a majority of the resident, qualified electors of the District voting at the Election, including those voting early, shall vote in favor of the Proposition, then the issuance and sale of the bonds described in such Proposition shall be authorized in the maximum amount contained therein, and the bonds shall be issued and sold at the price or prices and in such denominations determined by the Board to be in the District's best interest.

Section 11. Training of Election Officials. Pursuant to the Election Code, a public school of instruction for all election officers and clerks may be held as arranged or contracted by the Administrator.

Section 12. Notice of Election; Voter Information Document. In accordance with Section 4.003(a)(1) of the Election Code, a notice conforming to the requirements of Section 4.004, Election Code, appearing in English and Spanish shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the Authorized Officers or other representatives of the District shall cause the notice to be published one time, not earlier than the 30th day nor later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, substantial copies of this Order, in English and Spanish, shall be posted at the times and in the places required by Section 4.003 of the Election Code.

A voter information document for each Proposition in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit C** is hereby approved, together with such revisions as may be approved by the Authorized Officers, and shall be posted and provided in accordance with law.

Section 13. Notice of Meeting. The Board officially finds, determines, recites and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Order is adopted was posted on a bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public at the District's administrative offices for a least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting; that a telephonic or telegraphic notice of such meeting was given to all news media who have consented to pay any and all expenses incurred by the District in connection with providing such notice, both as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Order and the subject matter thereof was discussed, considered and formally acted upon.

Section 14. Mandatory Statement of Information.

(a) Pursuant to Section 3.009, Texas Election Code: (i) the proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 5 of this Order, (ii) the purposes for which the bonds are to be authorized are set forth in Section 4 of this Order, (iii) the principal amount of bonds to be authorized is set forth in Section 4 of this Order, (iv) if the issuance of bonds is authorized by voters, taxes sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the annual principal of and interest on the bonds may be imposed, as set forth in Section 4 of this Order, (v) bonds authorized pursuant to this Order may be issued to mature over a specified number of years (not to exceed the lesser of forty (40) years or the maximum number of years authorized by law) and bearing interest at the rate or rates (not to exceed the maximum rate authorized by law), as authorized by law and determined by the Board, (vi) as of the date of the adoption of this Order, the aggregate amount of outstanding principal of the District's debt obligations was \$18,150,000 and the aggregate amount of outstanding interest on the District's debt obligations was \$3,683,431.20, and (vii) the date of adoption of this Order, the District's ad valorem debt service tax rate is \$0.2750 per \$100 of taxable property.

(b) Based upon market conditions as of the date of this Order, the maximum net effective interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.50%. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on

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the interest rate at which the bonds, or any series thereof, may be sold. In addition, the estimate contained in this subsection (b) is (i) based on certain assumptions (including assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the District's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 3.009, Texas Election Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to and does not give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the Board to issue bonds in accordance with the Proposition submitted by this Order.


Section 15. Authority of the Authorized Officers. The Authorized Officers shall have the authority to take, or cause to be taken, all reasonable or necessary actions to insure that the Election is fairly held and returns properly counted and tabulated for canvass by the Board, which actions are hereby ratified and confirmed. Without limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, the Authorized Officers and their designee are hereby authorized to complete and update, as necessary, the exhibits attached hereto with any alterations or changes in or additions to the polling locations and other information, as necessary.

Section 16. Authorization to Execute. The President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to execute and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to attest this Order on behalf of the Board; and the President or Vice President of the Board is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 17. Appointment of Agent. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to appoint Jean Cecala as the Secretary of the Board's agent to perform the duties set forth in Section 31.123 of the Election Code for the Election, and to post, on the bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the Board, a notice containing the agent's name, the location of the agent's office, the agent's office hours, and duration of the agent's appointment. The notice will remain continuously posted during the minimum period required for maintaining an office under Section 31.122 of the Election Code.

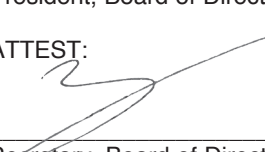
Section 18. Effective Date. This Order is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 10, 2025.

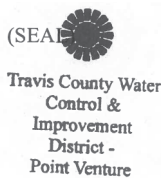


President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Directors



AVISO DE ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

A LOS VOTANTES HABILITADOS, RESIDENTES DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL Y MEJORAS DE AGUA DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS - POINT VENTURE:

SE NOTIFICA POR LA PRESENTE QUE SE CELEBRARÁ UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS EN DICHO DISTRITO EL 3 DE MAYO DE 2025, DE ACUERDO CON LA SIGUIENTE ORDEN:

ORDEN PARA CONVOCAR UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

ESTADO DE TEXAS §
CONDADO DE TRAVIS §

EN VISTA DE QUE el Distrito de Control y Mejoras de Agua del Condado de Travis - Point Venture (el "Distrito") fue debidamente creado por una Orden de la Comisión de Derechos de Agua de Texas con fecha 14 de octubre de 1970, como un distrito de conservación y reclamación creado para cumplir con los fines de la Sección 59, Artículo XVI de la Constitución de Texas y fundamental para ello, y que opera en conformidad con los Capítulos 49 y 51 del Código de Agua de Texas; y

EN VISTA DE QUE el Distrito fue creado con el propósito, entre otros, de suministrar instalaciones de abastecimiento de agua, de agua residual, alcantarillado de drenaje y agua de tormentas, incluidas instalaciones para calidad del agua para prestar servicio a los desarrollos de tierras dentro de sus límites territoriales; y

EN VISTA DE QUE se ha presentado en la oficina del Distrito, abierto para inspección del público, el Informe de Autorización de Bonos, firmado y sellado por David Alexander Vargas el 7 de febrero de 2025 (el "Informe de Ingeniería"), que abarca las instalaciones a ser sometidas a votación que incluyen los proyectos y las mejoras a ser construidos, junto con mapas, planos catastrales, perfiles y datos que muestran y explican el Informe de Ingeniería, y la Junta Directiva del Distrito (la "Junta") ha considerado atentamente el informe y lo ha aprobado completamente; sin embargo, el Informe de Ingeniería no forma parte de la proposición por la que se ha de votar ni es un contrato con los votantes; y

EN VISTA DE QUE dichos trabajos, mejoras, instalaciones, terrenos, plantas, equipos, aparatos, propiedad, derechos de contratos, derechos de uso e intereses en la propiedad se han diseñado y tienen el propósito de proveer un sistema de suministro de agua, sistema de aguas residuales y un sistema de alcantarillado de drenaje y aguas de tormenta (incluidas instalaciones de calidad de agua) para el Distrito; y

EN VISTA DE QUE el Informe de Ingeniería archivado y aprobado hasta el presente contiene un estimado del costo de la compra, adquisición y construcción de los trabajos, mejoras, instalaciones, terrenos, plantas, equipo y aparatos propuestos, y un estimado de los costos del Distrito adeudados o que serán adeudados en conformidad con los contratos, y el costo de la compra y adquisición de dicha propiedad, derechos de contratos, derechos de uso e intereses sobre la propiedad, instalaciones administrativas y gastos incidentales a esto relativos a los proyectos, que de forma general son de la siguiente manera:

RESUMEN DE COSTOS PRELIMINARES **Mejoras de agua, aguas residuales y drenaje**

Costos de construcción

1. Mejoras de agua, alcantarillado, agua recuperada y drenaje	\$8,382,233
2. Contingencias (20%)	\$1,691,270
3. Ingeniería (30%)	\$2,428,907
TOTAL DE COSTOS DE CONSTRUCCIÓN	\$12,502,410

Costos ajenos a la construcción

1. Honorarios legales (2%)	\$250,048
2. Cargo por asesoramiento financiero (2%)	\$250,048
3. Descuento de bonos (3%)	\$366,200
4. Cargos administrativos (0.50%)	\$62,512
5. Costos del informe de solicitud de bonos (1%)	\$125,024
6. Honorarios de revisión del procurador general (0.10%)	\$12,502
7. Cargo de emisión de bonos de la TCEQ (0.25%)	\$31,256
TOTAL DE COSTOS AJENOS A LA CONSTRUCCIÓN	\$1,097,590

TOTAL DEL REQUISITO DE EMISIÓN DE BONOS (BIR) \$13,600,000

EN VISTA DE QUE la Junta determina que el estimado de \$13,600,000 es razonable y adecuado, y lo aprueba por la presente, y a todos los puntos de éste, pero se reserva el derecho de autorizar modificaciones al Informe de Ingeniería y reasignar costos y hacer otros cambios según sean necesarios para satisfacer los requisitos cambiantes del sistema del Distrito; y

EN VISTA DE QUE la Constitución de Texas y el Código de Agua de Texas dispone que los bonos pagaderos en su totalidad o en parte con impuestos ad valorem no se emitirán hasta que sean autorizados por una mayoría de los votantes residentes del Distrito que votan en una elección convocada y celebrada para dicho fin; y

EN VISTA DE QUE la Junta desea también convocar una elección con el propósito de presentar una proposición sobre la emisión de bonos para las instalaciones del sistema del Distrito por la cantidad de \$13,600,000 y la imposición de impuestos para el pago de dichos bonos; y

EN VISTA DE QUE el Distrito celebrará uno o más convenios electorales (los "Convenios Electorales") con el Condado de Travis, Texas, (el "Condado"), a través del Secretario del Condado (el "Administrador") y posiblemente otras subdivisiones políticas, en conformidad con las leyes del Estado de Texas (el "Estado") y las leyes federales aplicables; y

EN VISTA DE QUE, la Junta desea proceder con la orden de dicha Elección.

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL Y MEJORAS DE AGUA DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS - POINT VENTURE ORDENA QUE:

Sección 1. Convocación de la elección, fecha, votantes elegibles y horarios. Se celebrará una elección (la "Elección") el sábado 3 de mayo de 2025 (el "Día de Elección"), fecha que es setenta y ocho (78) días o más posterior a la fecha de la adopción de esta orden (la "Orden"), dentro del Distrito y por todo su territorio, en la cual todos los votantes habilitados residentes del Distrito tendrán derecho a votar. Por la presente, la Junta halla que celebrar la Elección en dicha fecha es de interés público. El horario en el cual estarán abiertos los lugares de votación el Día de Elección será de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.

Sección 2. Precintos electorales, lugares de votación, funcionarios electorales. Salvo que se disponga de otro modo en la presente, los precintos para el Día de Elección establecidos con el fin de celebrar la Elección y los lugares de votación designados para los precintos de la Elección serán como se indican en el Anexo A de esta Orden. Los jueces y los jueces alternos de precintos para la Elección serán designados en conformidad con el Código Electoral de Texas (el "Código Electoral").

En caso de que el Presidente o el Vicepresidente de la junta (los "Oficiales Autorizados"), o sus representantes designados, determinare periódicamente que (a) un lugar de votación designado más adelante deja de estar disponible o de ser adecuado para tal uso, o que sería para el mayor beneficio del Distrito reubicar dicho lugar de votación, o (b) un juez presidente o juez presidente alterno designado más adelante deja de estar habilitado o de estar disponible, por la presente los Oficiales Autorizados, o sus representantes designados, está autorizado para designar por escrito un lugar de votación, un juez presidente o un juez presidente alterno sustitutos, y corregir o modificar los anexos de esta Orden, dando dicho aviso en conformidad con el Código Electoral y según lo considere suficiente. Los Oficiales Autorizados o sus representantes designados están autorizados para modificar el **Anexo A** para reflejar cualquiera de tales cambios.

Sección 3. Informe de ingeniería. Por la presente se aprueba el Informe de Ingeniería y los estimados de costos descritos previamente; bajo la condición, sin embargo, de que el Distrito se reserva el derecho de autorizar modificaciones al Informe de Ingeniería y de reasignar costos, y hacer otros cambios según sean necesarios para satisfacer los requisitos cambiantes del sistema del Distrito.

Sección 4. Proposición. En la Elección se presentará la siguiente proposición (la "Proposición") ante los votantes habilitados residentes del Distrito:

PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL Y MEJORAS DE AGUA DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS - POINT VENTURE

¿Se deberá autorizar a la Junta Directiva del Distrito de Control y Mejoras de Agua - Point Venture del Condado de Travis para emitir los bonos de dicho distrito en una o más emisiones o series por la cantidad máxima de \$13,600,000 con vencimiento en serie o de otra manera, en ciertos plazos según los determine dicha Junta durante un período o períodos que no excedan de cuarenta (40) años a partir de su fecha o fechas, devengar interés a cierta tasa o tasas y vender dichos bonos a cierto precio o precios, siempre que la tasa de interés efectiva neta sobre cualquier emisión o serie no exceda el límite legal máximo vigente al momento de la emisión de cada emisión o serie de bonos, todo esto según lo pueda determinar dicha Junta, con el propósito o propósitos de comprar, construir, adquirir, tener propiedad, operar, reparar, mantener, mejorar o ampliar dentro y fuera de sus límites, un sistema de abastecimiento de agua, sistema de aguas residuales, sistema de alcantarillado de drenaje y agua de tormenta (incluidas instalaciones de calidad del agua), que incluyen todas las adiciones a tales sistemas y todas las obras, mejoras, instalaciones, terrenos, plantas, equipos, aparatos, intereses en propiedades y derechos de contrato necesarios para los mismos y todos los costos de organización, administración y operativos durante los períodos de creación y construcción, y para proveer el pago del capital y el interés de tales bonos mediante la imposición y recaudación de un impuesto suficiente sobre toda propiedad gravable dentro de dicho distrito, todo de acuerdo con lo autorizado por la constitución y leyes del Estado de Texas?

Sección 5. Boletas de votación. Las boletas de votación cumplirán con los requisitos del Código Electoral y tendrán escrito o impreso lo siguiente:

BOLETA OFICIAL DE VOTACIÓN

PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL Y MEJORAS DE AGUA DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS - POINT VENTURE

[] A FAVOR) LA EMISIÓN DE \$13,600,000 EN BONOS PARA
) PROPÓSITOS DE AGUA, AGUAS RESIDUALES
) Y DRENAJE Y LA IMPOSICIÓN DE IMPUESTOS
[] EN CONTRA) PARA EL PAGO DE LOS BONOS.

Sección 6. Votación. Se podrán usar máquinas de votación electrónica para celebrar y llevar a cabo la Elección el Día de la Elección; sin embargo, se dispone que, en caso de que no sea posible el uso de dichas máquinas de votación electrónica, la Elección se pueda celebrar el Día de la Elección mediante el uso de boletas de votación de papel (salvo que se disponga lo contrario en esta sección). Se pueden usar máquinas de votación electrónica o boletas de votación de papel para la votación anticipada en persona (salvo que se disponga lo contrario en esta sección). En conformidad con el Código Electoral, el Distrito deberá proporcionar por lo menos un sistema de votación de fácil acceso en cada lugar de votación utilizado en la Elección. Dicho sistema de votación cumplirá con las leyes de Texas y federales que establecen el requisito para sistemas de votación que permitan a los votantes con discapacidades físicas emitir un voto secreto. En la medida en que lo permita la ley, se podrán usar boletas de papel para la votación anticipada por correo.

Cada votante que desee votar a favor de la Proposición marcará la boleta para indicar "A FAVOR" de la Proposición, y cada votante que desee votar en contra de la Proposición marcará la boleta para indicar "EN CONTRA" de la Proposición. La votación se realizará en conformidad con el Código Electoral.

Sección 7. Votación anticipada. Por la presente la Junta designa al Administrador como oficial de votación anticipada regular para el Distrito. La votación anticipada, tanto en persona como por correo, se llevará a cabo en conformidad con el Código Electoral.

La votación anticipada en persona se llevará a cabo en los lugares, las fechas y los horarios que se muestran en el **Anexo B**. La votación anticipada en persona empezará el martes 22 de abril de 2025 y terminará el martes 29 de abril de 2025.

Para que lo puedan usar aquellos votantes que por ley tienen derecho a votar por anticipado por correo, el o la oficial de votación anticipada proporcionará a cada votante una boleta de votación con instrucciones para marcar la boleta indicando si vota "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la Proposición. La información de contacto o direcciones de entrega para las solicitudes de boletas para votar por correo postal y otros asuntos relacionados con la elección es la siguiente:

Nombre: Dyana Limon-Mercado
Dirección postal oficial: Travis County Clerk - Elections Division, P.O. Box 149325, Austin, TX 78714
Dirección física: Elections Division, Travis County Clerk, 5501 Airport Boulevard, Suite #100, Austin, TX 78751
Dirección de correo electrónico: elections@traviscountytexas.gov
Teléfono: (512) 238-8683
Fax: (512) 854-3969
Sitio web: https://votetravis.gov/

Por la presente se autoriza e instruye al Administrador a que designe un consejo de boletas de votación anticipada y a los demás funcionarios necesarios para la celebración de la votación anticipada para la Elección.

Sección 8. Celebración de la Elección. La Elección la llevarán a cabo funcionarios electorales, incluidos jueces y jueces alternos o funcionarios de los precintos designados por la Junta en conformidad con los Convenios Electorales, los Capítulos 49 y 51 del Código de Agua de Texas, el Código Electoral y la Constitución y leyes del Estado y de los Estados Unidos de América. Los Oficiales Autorizados y sus respectivos representantes designados están autorizados a celebrar, ejecutar y entregar uno o más Convenios Electorales, en conformidad con las disposiciones aplicables del Código Electoral y de cualquier otro acuerdo, aviso u otro instrumento que se consideren necesarios o adecuados para llevar a cabo la intención de esta Orden. Por la presente se incorporan a esta Orden los términos y las disposiciones de cada uno de los Acuerdos para la Elección. En la medida de que existiere algún conflicto entre esta Orden y un Acuerdo para la Elección, los términos y las disposiciones del Acuerdo para la Elección prevalecerán, y los Oficiales Autorizados y sus respectivos representantes designados, están autorizados para realizar correcciones, cambios, revisiones y modificaciones de ese tipo a esta Orden, incluso a sus anexos, según lo consideren necesario o adecuado para cumplir con el Acuerdo para la Elección, para cumplir con la ley estatal y

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federal aplicable y para poner en práctica la intención de la Junta, como queda de manifiesto a través de esta Orden. El Administrador será responsable de establecer la estación central de conteo de los votos emitidos en la Elección y de designar el personal necesario para dicha estación.

Sección 9. Materiales bilingües de la Elección. Todos los avisos, instrucciones y boletas de votación relacionados con la Elección serán proporcionados a los votantes tanto en inglés como en español, y se pondrán a disposición personas capaces de desempeñarse como traductores en inglés y en español para asistir a los votantes de habla hispana a entender y participar en el proceso electoral.

Sección 10. Entrega de votos emitidos, conteo, tabulación, escrutinio de resultados, declaración de resultados. Las boletas de votación serán contadas por uno o más equipos de funcionarios electorales designados por los jueces presidentes, y cada equipo estará integrado por dos funcionarios electorales o más. Después de concluir sus responsabilidades en virtud del Código Electoral, que incluyen el recuento de los votos emitidos y la tabulación de los resultados, el juez o la jueza presidente deberá entregar una declaración por escrito con los resultados de la Elección al Distrito de acuerdo con el Código Electoral. La Junta hará el escrutinio y declarará los resultados de la Elección.

Si una mayoría de los votantes habilitados, residentes del Distrito que votan en la Elección, incluso aquellos que votan por anticipado, votaran a favor de la Proposición, entonces será autorizada la emisión y venta de los bonos descritos en tal Proposición por la cantidad indicada en la misma, y los bonos serán emitidos y vendidos al precio o precios y en ciertas denominaciones que la Junta determine que sea en el mejor interés del Distrito.

Sección 11. Capacitación de los funcionarios electorales. En virtud del Código Electoral, se podrá realizar un curso público de capacitación para todos los funcionarios y oficiales electorales según lo coordine o contrate el Administrador.

Sección 12. Aviso de Elección; Documento de información para los votantes. En conformidad con la Sección 4.003(a)(1) del Código Electoral, un aviso que cumpla con los requisitos de la Sección 4.004 del Código Electoral, que aparezca en inglés y en español, servirá como aviso adecuado de dicha elección y los Oficiales Autorizados u otros representantes del Distrito harán que se publique el aviso, una sola vez, no antes del trigésimo día ni después del décimo día anteriores a la fecha establecida para la elección, en un periódico publicado en el Distrito o, si no hay ninguno que se publique en el Distrito, en un periódico de circulación general en el Distrito. Además, el aviso de elección descrito arriba, y copias de lo sustancial de esta Orden, en inglés y en español, deberán publicarse en los plazos y en los lugares que requiera la Sección 4.003 del Código Electoral.

Por la presente, se aprueba un documento de información para los votantes para cada Proposición en la forma adjunta a la presente como **Anexo C**, junto con ciertas correcciones que puedan aprobar los Oficiales Autorizados, y se publicará y proporcionará de acuerdo con la ley.

Sección 13. Aviso de asamblea. La Junta halla, determina, detalla y declara oficialmente que se colocó un aviso por escrito con la fecha, la hora, el lugar y el asunto de la asamblea en la cual esta Orden es adoptada, en una cartelera de anuncios ubicada en un lugar conveniente para el público en las oficinas administrativas del Distrito por al menos setenta y dos (72) horas antes a la hora programada de la asamblea; que se dio aviso telefónico o telegráfico de tal asamblea a todos los medios de prensa que acordaron pagar cualquier y todo gasto incurrido por el Distrito en conexión con la entrega de tal aviso, ambos como lo requiere el Capítulo 551 del Código de Gobierno de Texas y sus enmiendas; y que dicha asamblea estuvo abierta al público según lo requiere la ley en todo momento en que esta Orden y el asunto de la misma fueron tratados, considerados y se tomaron medidas oficiales.

Sección 14. Declaración de información obligatoria.

(a) Conforme a la Sección 3.009 del Código Electoral de Texas: (i) el lenguaje de la proposición que aparecerá en la boleta de votación se describe en la Sección 5 de esta Orden, (ii) los propósitos para los cuales se autorizarán los bonos se describen en la Sección 4 de esta Orden, (iii) la cantidad de capital de bonos a autorizar se describe en la Sección 4 de esta Orden, (iv) si la emisión de bonos es autorizada por los votantes,

se pueden aplicar los impuestos suficientes, sin límite de tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital anual y los intereses de los bonos, como se describe en la Sección 4 de esta Orden, (v) los bonos autorizados conforme a esta Orden pueden emitirse para vencer durante un período de años especificado (sin exceder lo que sea menos, cuarenta (40) años o el número de años máximo autorizado por la ley) y devengar interés a la tasa o tasas (que no excedan la tasa máxima autorizada por la ley), conforme lo autoriza la ley y lo determina la Junta, (vi) a la fecha de la adopción de esta Orden, la cantidad total del capital pendiente de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito es de \$18,150,000 y la cantidad total de interés pendiente sobre las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito es de \$3,683,431.20, y (vii) la fecha de adopción de esta Orden, la tasa del impuesto ad valorem para el servicio de deuda del Distrito es de \$0.2750 por cada \$100 de propiedad gravable.

(b) Según las condiciones del mercado a la fecha de esta Orden, la tasa de interés máxima efectiva neta para cualquier serie de bonos se estima en 5.50%. Dicha tasa de interés máxima estimada se provee a título informativo, pero no es un límite sobre la tasa de interés a la que podrían venderse los bonos o cualquier serie de ellos. Además, el estimado contenido en esta subsección (b): (i) se basa en determinadas suposiciones (incluidas las suposiciones acerca de las condiciones prevalecientes del mercado y económicas al momento o momentos de emisión de los bonos) y se deriva de las proyecciones obtenidas del asesor financiero del Distrito, (ii) está sujeto a cambios en la medida en que los hechos, las circunstancias y las condiciones reales prevalecientes al momento de emisión de los bonos difieran de tales suposiciones y proyecciones, (iii) se provee exclusivamente para cumplir con los requisitos de la Sección 3.009 del Código Electoral de Texas y sin ningún otro propósito, sin ninguna garantía de que tales proyecciones se manifestarán, y (iv) no está previsto para dar ni da lugar a un contrato con los votantes o limitar la autoridad de la Junta de emitir bonos de acuerdo con la Proposición presentada por esta Orden.

Sección 15. Autoridad de los Oficiales Autorizados. Los Oficiales Autorizados tendrán la autoridad para tomar, o hacer que se tomen, todas las medidas razonables o necesarias para asegurar que la Elección sea celebrada de forma justa y que los resultados sean debidamente contados y tabulados para ser escrutados por la Junta, medidas que por la presente son ratificadas y confirmadas. Sin limitar la generalidad de la oración inmediatamente precedente, por la presente, se autoriza a los Oficiales Autorizados y a su representante designado a completar y actualizar, según sea necesario, los anexos adjuntos a este documento con cualquier modificación o cambio o agregados a los lugares de votación y otra información, según sea necesario.

Sección 16. Autorización para firmar. El Presidente o el Vicepresidente de la Junta está autorizado para firmar, y la Secretaria de la Junta está autorizada para atestiguar esta Orden en nombre de la Junta; y el Presidente o Vicepresidente de la Junta está autorizado para tomar cualquier otra medida legal y necesaria en relación con la celebración y consumación de la Elección.

Sección 17. Designación de agente. Por la presente se autoriza e instruye al Secretario de la Junta para que designe a Jean Cecala como Secretaria del agente de la Junta para desempeñar las funciones establecidas en la Sección 31.123 del Código Electoral en la Elección, y colocar, en el tablero de anuncios utilizado para colocar los avisos de las asambleas de la Junta, un aviso que contenga el nombre del agente, la ubicación de la oficina del agente, el horario de atención del agente, y la duración de la designación del agente. El aviso permanecerá colocado continuamente durante el mínimo periodo requerido para mantener un cargo bajo la Sección 31.122 del Código Electoral.

Sección 18. Fecha de entrada en vigencia. Esta Orden entrará en vigencia inmediatamente después de ser aceptada y aprobada.

ACEPTADA Y APROBADA el 10 de febrero de 2025.



/s/ Steve Tabaska
Presidente de la Junta Directiva

ATESTIGUA:

/s/ Manuel Macias
Secretaria de la Junta Directiva

(SELLO)

EXHIBIT A - ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS¹ ANEXO A - LUGARES DE VOTACIÓN DEL DÍA DE ELECCIÓN¹

 <p>Travis County Election Day Locations - May 3, 2025 Sitios del Día de la Elección del Condado de Travis - 3 de mayo de 2025 Polls are open 7am - 7pm - Las urnas están abiertas 7am - 7pm</p>	<p>Dyana Limon-Mercado County Clerk - Secretaria del Condado (512) 238-VOTE (8683) votetravis.gov</p> 
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VOTE CENTER CENTRO DE VOTACIÓN	ROOM SALA	ADDRESS DIRECCIÓN	CITY CIUDAD	ZIP CÓDIGO POSTAL	
Creedmoor Community Center	Meeting Room	12511 FM 1625	Creedmoor	78610	
Christ Episcopal Church	Outreach Room	3520 Whitestone Blvd	Cedar Park	78613	
Deer Creek Elementary School	MPR	2420 Zeppelin Dr	Cedar Park	78613	
ACC Elgin	MPR 1143	1501 US 290	Elgin	78621	
Whitestone Elementary School	Cafeteria	2000 Crystal Falls Pwky	Leander	78641	
Lago Vista High School	MPR	5185 Lohman Ford Rd	Lago Vista	78645	
Bible Baptist Church of Pflugerville	Auditorium	14400 Immanuel Rd	Pflugerville	78660	
Murchison Elementary School	Cafeteria	2215 Kelly Ln	Pflugerville	78660	
Pfisd Rock Gym	Gymnasium	702 W Pecan St	Pflugerville	78660	
All Nations Church	Family Room	16804 Radholme Ct	Round Rock	78664	
Briarcliff POA Community Center	Community Room	22801 Briarcliff Dr	Spicewood	78669	
Laura Bush Community Library	Commons	9411 Bee Caves Rd	Austin	78733	
Lake Travis ISD Educational Development Center	Sage Room	607 Ranch Road 620 N	Austin	78734	
Lakeway Activity Center	Room F	105 Cross Creek	Lakeway	78734	
Lake Travis ISD Transportation Center	Training Room	16101 State Hwy 71 Bldg A	Austin	78738	
Bee Cave City Hall	Community Room A	4000 Galleria Pkwy	Bee Cave	78738	
Lost Creek Limited District	Board Room	1305 Quaker Ridge Dr	Austin	78746	
Randalls Flagship West Lake Hills	Café	3300 Bee Caves Rd	Austin	78746	
Riverbend Centre	QUAD4ABCD	4214 N Capital of Texas Hwy	Austin	78746	
Travis County Clerk	Early Voting Room	5501 Airport Blvd	Austin	78751	
Connally High School	Large Gym Foyer	13212 N Lamar Blvd	Austin	78753	
Our Savior Lutheran Church	Narthex	1513 E Yager Ln	Austin	78753	

2/26/2025; 8:00 am

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EXHIBIT B - EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS AND TIMES

ANEXO B - LUGARES Y HORARIOS DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA


Travis County Early Voting Locations
May 3, 2025
Sitios de Votación Adelantada del Condado de Travis
3 de mayo de 2025



Early Voting begins Tuesday, April 22, 2025 and ends on Tuesday, April 29, 2025
La Votación Adelantada comienza el martes, 22 de abril de 2025 y termina el martes, 29 de abril de 2025


Monday—Saturday (7am - 7pm), Sunday (Noon - 6pm)
Lunes—Sábado (7am - 7pm), Domingo (mediodía - 6pm)

ACC Elgin	MPR 1143	1501 W US 290	Elgin
Bee Cave City Hall	Community Room A	4000 Galleria Pkwy.	Bee Cave
Christ Episcopal Church	Outreach Room	3520 Whitestone Blvd	Cedar Park
Lake Travis ISD Educational Development Center	Sage Room	607 Ranch Road 620 N	Austin
Lakeway Activity Center	Room F	105 Cross Creek	Lakeway
PfISD Rock Gym	Gymnasium	702 W Pecan St	Pflugerville
Randalls Flagship West Lake Hills	Café	3300 Bee Caves Rd	Austin
Riverbend Centre	QUAD4ABCD	4214 N Capital of Texas Hwy	Austin
Travis County Clerk	Early Voting Room	5501 Airport Blvd	Austin

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Dyana Limon-Mercado County Clerk - Secretaria del Condado



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EXHIBIT C - VOTER INFORMATION DOCUMENT

TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - POINT VENTURE PROPOSITION A

[] FOR) THE ISSUANCE OF \$13,600,000 BONDS FOR WATER, WASTEWATER AND DRAINAGE PURPOSES AND THE LEVY OF TAXES IN PAYMENT OF THE BONDS.
[] AGAINST)

1. Principal of the debt obligations to be authorized	\$13,600,000.00
2. Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized	\$9,049,394.45
3. Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized	\$22,649,394.45
4. Principal of all outstanding debt obligations of the District*	\$18,150,000.00
5. Estimated remaining interest on all outstanding debt obligations of the District*	\$3,683,431.20
6. Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full all outstanding debt obligations of the District*	\$21,833,431.20
7. Estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes that would be imposed on a residence homestead in the District with an appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be authorized, if approved, based upon assumptions made by the governing body of the District	\$324.10
8. Other information that the District considers relevant or necessary to explain the foregoing information	See major assumptions listed below.

* As of the date of adoption of the District's Order Calling Bond Election (the "Bond Election Order").

Major assumptions for statements above, including statement 7:

(1) Assumed amortization of the District's debt obligations, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations:

Term	Principal (Proposed Debt)	Estimated Interest	Total Proposed Debt Service	Total Proposed Debt Service + Existing Debt Service
20 years	\$13,600,000	\$9,049,394.45	\$22,649,394.45	\$44,482,825.65

(2) Assumes that the taxable assessed value within the District will grow at a rate of 0% per year for the life of the bonds.

(3) Assumes interest rate on the debt obligations to be issued: 5.50%.

(4) Assumes a tax collection rate of 99%.

(5) Assumes homestead does not qualify for idiosyncratic exemptions, including, but not limited to, the state-mandated (a) homestead exemption for the elderly and disabled (for which tax payments are capped based on the homeowner's tax payment in the year the exemption is obtained) and (b) homestead exemption for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above and assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the District's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the District to issue bonds in accordance with this Proposition.

ANEXO C - DOCUMENTO DE INFORMACIÓN PARA LOS VOTANTES

PROPOSICIÓN A DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL Y MEJORAS DE AGUA DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS - POINT VENTURE

[] A FAVOR) LA EMISIÓN DE \$13,600,000 EN BONOS PARA PROPOSITOS DE AGUA, AGUAS RESIDUALES Y DRENAJE Y LA IMPOSICIÓN DE IMPUESTOS PARA EL PAGO DE LOS BONOS.
[] EN CONTRA)

1. Capital de las obligaciones de deuda que se ha de autorizar	\$13,600,000.00
2. Interés estimado de las obligaciones de deuda que se ha de autorizar	\$9,049,394.45
3. Estimado de la combinación de capital e interés requerida para pagar en su totalidad y oportunamente las obligaciones de deuda a autorizar	\$22,649,394.45
4. Capital de todas las obligaciones de deuda pendientes del Distrito*	\$18,150,000.00
5. Interés estimado restante sobre todas las obligaciones de deuda pendientes del Distrito*	\$3,683,431.20
6. Estimado de la combinación de capital e interés requerida para pagar en su totalidad y oportunamente todas las obligaciones de deuda pendientes del Distrito*	\$21,833,431.20
7. Aumento anual, máximo y estimado en la cantidad de impuestos que se impondrían sobre una residencia principal en el Distrito con una tasación fiscal de \$100,000 para pagar las obligaciones de deuda a autorizar, si se aprueban, según las suposiciones realizadas por el órgano de gobierno del Distrito	\$324.10
8. Otra información que el Distrito considere relevante o necesaria para explicar la información precedente	Consultar las suposiciones importantes expuestas más adelante.

* A la fecha de adopción de la Orden para convocar una Elección de Bonos del Distrito (la "Orden de Elección de Bonos").

Suposiciones importantes para las declaraciones anteriores, incluso la declaración 7:

(1) Amortización supuesta de las obligaciones de deuda del Distrito, incluidas las obligaciones de deuda pendientes y las obligaciones de deuda propuestas:

Término	Capital (Deuda propuesta)	Interés estimado	Total del servicio de la deuda propuesta	Total del servicio de la deuda propuesto + servicio de la deuda existente
20 años	\$13,600,000	\$9,049,394.45	\$22,649,394.45	\$44,482,825.65

(2) Supone que la tasación gravable dentro del Distrito crecerá a una tasa del 0% por año por el resto de la vigencia de los bonos.

(3) Tasa de interés supuesta sobre las obligaciones de deuda a emitir: 5.50%

(4) Supone un índice de recaudación fiscal del 99%.

(5) Supone que la residencia principal no cumple con los requisitos para exenciones idiosincráticas, incluso, a título enunciativo pero no limitativo, (a) la exención estatal obligatoria para residencia principal para adultos mayores y discapacitados (para los que los pagos de impuestos están limitados según el pago de impuestos del propietario en el año en que se obtiene la exención) y (b) la exención para residencia principal estatal obligatoria para veteranos incapacitados y sus familias, cónyuges sobrevivientes de miembros de las fuerzas armadas fallecidos en combate y cónyuges sobrevivientes de personal de emergencia fallecido o con heridas de muerte en el desempeño de sus funciones.

Los estimados contenidos en este Documento de Información para los Votantes: (i) se basan en determinadas suposiciones (incluidas las suposiciones importantes expuestas antes y suposiciones acerca de las condiciones prevalecientes del mercado y económicas al momento o momentos de emisión de los bonos) y se derivan de las proyecciones obtenidas del asesor financiero del Distrito, (ii) están sujetos a cambios en la medida en que los hechos, las circunstancias y las condiciones reales prevalecientes al momento de emisión de los bonos difieran de tales suposiciones y proyecciones, (iii) se proveen exclusivamente para cumplir con los requisitos de la Sección 1251.052 del Código de Gobierno de Texas y sin ningún otro propósito, sin ninguna garantía de que tales proyecciones se manifestarán y (iv) no están previstos para dar lugar (y expresamente no dan lugar) a un contrato con los votantes o limitar la autoridad del Distrito de emitir bonos de acuerdo con esta Proposición.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test.

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Answers found in next week's classified section.

JUDGES

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constables to ensure we are providing the best possible service to our communities.”

Judge Williams shared her enthusiasm for her new role as judge advocate.

“I am looking forward to working alongside Judge McLean and the other dedicated members of the Association in our mission to support each other and the communities we serve,” said Williams.

Brazos County Judge Kenny Elliott, CTJPCA Board of Directors judge representative, added, “In an era where the role of Justices of the Peace is pivotal in delivering justice at the grassroots level, the leadership of Judges McLean and Williams will undoubtedly enhance the collaboration and effectiveness of the

Association. With their combined experience and vision, the Central Texas Justices of the Peace & Constables Association is poised to continue its important work in education, advocacy, and the enhancement of judicial services across Central Texas.”

AWARD

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Court Program, a treatment court that helps break cycles of addiction by holding individuals accountable and connecting them to the substance use and mental health services needed to change their lives.

The Texas Impaired Driving Forum gathers leaders in law enforcement, public health and transportation to discuss strategies and solutions for combating impaired driving. Judge Barker's recognition underscores the importance of collaboration in addressing this critical public safety issue.

“I am incredibly honored and grateful to receive this award recognizing the truly amazing work done in the Williamson County DWI/Drug Court Program,” said Judge Laura Barker. “Thank you to TxIDTF and TxDOT for your continued support of our program.”

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outcomes.

“I think if we had a simple investment in the basic allotment, we sort of skip over two of the most important things we could do, which is to make sure that we keep the best teachers in the classroom, that we incentivize them to stay there,” Buckley said at Tuesday's hearing. “We pay them as the professionals that they are, but then we also provide the first ever real state investment in educator prep, so we are preparing teachers that are better prepared in the classroom.”

Many of the invited speakers expressed support for the school funding proposal, though they said they saw the bill as a starting point. Both the House and Senate are expected to continue building out their own versions of the legislation in the

coming weeks.

Democrats on Tuesday repeatedly asked school leaders at the hearing whether the proposed legislation would provide enough funding to account for inflation since 2019.

“Heck no,” said Greg Gilbert, superintendent of the Santo school district. “But grateful for help.”

That assertiveness was absent in the leaders' responses to follow-up questions about base funding, which appeared to frustrate several Democrats and at least one Republican.

“If you're asked a question, don't sugar-coat it,” said Rep. Charles Cunningham, R-Humble. “Give us an answer, because I can tell you my district ... already gave me an answer.”

Gilbert, who showed up on behalf of the Texas Association of Rural Schools, questioned whether a \$1,300 basic allotment increase — which he estimated would equate to an \$11 billion price tag for the state — was a reasonable ask. It was not clear what calculation he used to arrive at the number.

The question concerned Bryant, the Dallas Democrat.

“Yes, \$11 billion, I'm ready to put that into public education right now,” Bryant said. “I would suggest that anyone who is going to come up here as a representative of school districts and raise that question, as though that's too much, maybe somebody else ought to be testifying for the school districts in your organization.”

TRANSIT

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transit service brings to member cities. The disparity has undergirded those cities' push to establish the mobility program, which proponents said is modeled on a similar program in Houston.

“Plano is not looking to leave DART,” said Andrew Fortune, Plano's director of policy and government relations. “We are interested in a transit system that is going to work not only for our residents, but also the visitors and the employees who come to our city. Our hope is that this bill will not only protect against inequities like what we've experienced, but it will help us make a better transit solution and ultimately help those who need to move from place to place in Plano and to connect to the region as a whole.”

In an attempt to appease those cities' concerns and convince them to stop pursuing the legislation, the DART board voted in March to create its own general mobility program — though using 5% of its sales tax revenue, not 25%. Such a plan would still prompt service reductions and budget cuts, though not as deep as those prompted by the legislation.

Regional transportation planners warn cutting DART's funding so drastically will hamper mobility across the entire Dallas-Fort Worth region, worsen air quality and throw a wrench in public transit plans for next year's FIFA World Cup, when the region will host nine matches. The Trinity Railway Express, a

commuter rail line that runs between Dallas and Fort Worth, plays a central role in the region's plans to ferry soccer fans to and from matches at AT&T Stadium in Arlington. DART projects a 25% cut in its sales tax revenue would wipe out its ability to fund the rail line. Officials with Trinity Metro, the Fort Worth area's transit agency which co-owns and -operates the line, have said they would not be able to pick up the cost.

“This could not be occurring at a worse time,” said Michael Morris, transportation director for the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

AUSTIN'S PROJECT CONNECT

Lawmakers once more have taken aim at how Austin plans to pay for Project Connect, a multibillion-dollar public transit plan that includes light rail.

Austin voters in 2020 approved a hike in city property taxes to pay for the plan and create the Austin Transit Partnership, a local government corporation set up to build the light-rail system. Under the plan, the partnership receives city property tax revenue to help secure loans needed to fund construction.

Texas Republicans have taken issue with that funding mechanism and resurrected legislative efforts to kill it at the state level. The funds are generated from the portion of Austin's property tax rate that funds maintenance and operations, or “M&O.” Attorney General Ken Paxton has argued that those dollars can't be used to pay for debt and has contested the

mechanism in court.

A pair of bills authored by state Rep. Ellen Troxclair, a Lakeway Republican and former Austin City Council member, and state Sen. Paul Bettencourt, a Houston Republican, would enshrine that argument in state law.

The legislation would effectively get rid of Project Connect's funding plan by outlawing the mechanism approved by voters. Taxpayers could also sue to stop the city from collecting property taxes used to fund the project if a court finds the project now “materially deviates” from how it was initially pitched — a nod to how planners, owing to inflation and other factors, reduced the project's scope in the years after voters first approved it.

“We don't mix M&O tax revenues with debt, and we don't allow them to be mixed through a third party,” Bettencourt said earlier this year. “That's not how things work. Taxpayers deserve transparency and that's not transparency.”

Austin transit officials have defended the project and argued that the funding mechanism is legal.

“Austin voters overwhelmingly approved this transformative project that will reduce travel times, spur the development of much-needed housing, and generate jobs and state-wide economic benefits,” Greg Canally, Austin Transit Partnership CEO, said in a statement. “The need for more local investment in our transportation infrastructure will only increase as our state and community continue to grow.”

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