

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, ORDERING AN ELECTION ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2015, FOR ONE LOCAL SALE AND USE TAX PROPOSITION: THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS AT THE RATE OF ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PERCENT TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of FLORENCE, TEXAS (the "City") hereby finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether it shall be reauthorized to impose a local sales and use tax at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City further has agreed to enter into a joint agreement with Williamson County Elections to conduct all election services for the May 9, 2015, elections.

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

SECTION 1. An election shall be held on the 9th day of May, 2015, a uniform election date, in the CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, for the purpose of submitting the following measure to the qualified voters of the City:

MEASURE ONE:

"Shall the City Council of the City of Florence, Texas, be reauthorized to impose a local sales and use tax in the City of Florence, Texas, at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets?"

SECTION 2. The entire City shall constitute one election precinct for holding the election. The polling place designated for holding the election shall be the Florence City Hall, 106 South Patterson, Florence, Texas 76527. The Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge shall be appointed by written order of Kay Eastes, the Interim Williamson County Elections Administrator.

The Presiding Judge shall appoint such qualified as necessary to act as clerks to properly conduct the election. However, if the Presiding Judge appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall serve as one of the clerks. In the absence of the Presiding Judge named above, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall perform the duties of the Presiding Judge.

Oral assistance in Spanish shall be made available to all persons requiring such assistance. Any person requiring oral assistance in Spanish should contact the Presiding Judge or Early Voting Clerk. The election shall be held in the City as prescribed by the applicable law and on the day of the election, the polls shall be open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.

Early voting shall be conducted at such places and times as described in **Exhibit "A,"** which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. Kay Eastes, the Interim Williamson County Elections Administrator, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 209, Georgetown, Texas 78627, shall serve as the Early Voting Clerk. Early voting shall commence on the 12th day before the election and continue through the 4th day preceding the date of the

election all as provided by the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

The Early Voting Ballot Board shall consist of the Presiding Judge and such other members, appointed by the Presiding Judge, who are eligible to serve in accordance with the Election Code.

SECTION 3. Voting in the election for the propositions shall be by the use of election system and software optical scan/election system and software IvoTronic (electronic) ballots, which will be printed in both English and Spanish and which shall conform to the requirements of the Texas Election Code. The ballots shall be printed to permit electors to vote "For" or "Against" the aforesaid proposition which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION ONE

**"THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND
USE TAX IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS AT THE
RATE OF ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PERCENT TO
CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE
AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS."**

SECTION 4. All resident qualified electors of the City shall be permitted to vote at the election and on the day of the election, such electors shall vote at the designated polling place. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, and the provisions of the Local Government Code, as amended, and as may be required by any other law. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 5. Not later than the 19th day before election day, a copy of the notice, which must include the location of each polling place, shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the Governing Body of the City of Florence. The notice shall remain posted continuously through election day. Notice of the election shall also be given by publishing the notice at least once, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day in the official newspaper of the City.

Notice of the election shall be published in English and Spanish, in the manner required by law.

SECTION 6. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the City Council.

SECTION 7. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordained herein.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 9. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and this Board of Alderman hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 10. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 11. This Ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the date of its second reading of adoption, and it is so ordained.

4 PRESENTED, PASSED and APPROVED on this the 10 day of February, 2015 by affirmative votes at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Texas.

THE CITY OF FLORENCE

BY: Mary Condon
MARY CONDON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Amy L. Crane
AMY L. CRANE
CITY SECRETARY

PRESENTED, PASSED and APPROVED on this the 3 day of March, 2015 by 4 affirmative votes at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Texas.

THE CITY OF FLORENCE

BY: Mary Condon
MARY CONDON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Amy L. Crane
AMY L. CRANE
CITY SECRETARY



CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

I, AMY L. CRANE, being the current City Secretary of the City of Florence, Texas, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 02032015-01, passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Florence, Texas, on the 3 day of March, 2015, and such Ordinance was duly adopted at a meeting open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place, and subject thereof, was posted as prescribed by Government Code Section 551.043.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 4 day of March, 2015.

Amy L. Crane
AMY L. CRANE
City Secretary