

**ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 7, 2023 AND NOTICE OF  
BOND ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
GREGG COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court (the "*Court*") of Gregg County, Texas (the "*County*") is authorized to call an election in order to submit to the voters of the County a proposition regarding the issuance of bonds for a new county courthouse and ancillary parking structure in the vicinity of the county-owner courthouse, and the purchase of land necessary therefor, all in accordance with Chapter 1473, Texas Government Code, as amended and which is hereby found to be in best interest of the County and the County's residents; and

WHEREAS, after independent review by the Court, the Court deems it advisable to call a bond election for the proposition hereinafter stated; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GREGG COUNTY, TEXAS THAT:

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

**Section 2.** *Election Ordered; Polling Places.* The Election shall be held in the County between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2023 ("*Election Day*"). The Election is to be conducted and administered by the County as provided by the Texas Election Code (the "*Code*"). Voting on Election Day and Early Voting shall occur on the dates and during the hours and at the designated polling places as in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, which exhibit is hereby made a part hereof for all intents and purposes. The locations on Exhibit A are hereby designated at the voting locations. Exhibit "A" shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places required to conform to the Code.

**Section 3.** *Early Voting.* Early Voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 23, 2023 and conclude on November 3, 2023 and will be conducted at the Early Voting locations on the dates and at the times specified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and which locations are hereby designated as the early voting locations. The early voting polling places shall remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance for any registered voter of the County at such voting place. Exhibit "A" shall be changed to include additional or different early voting polling places required to conform to the Code.

**Section 4.** *Election Officials.* The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the Gregg County Elections Administrator.

**Section 5.** *Voting by Mail.* Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the County shall be submitted by personal delivery or shall be mailed to the address below prior to the deadline prescribed by law:

Postal Mail	Gregg County Elections Administration Early Voting Clerk P.O. Box 2827 Longview, TX 75606
Commercial Carrier or Personal Delivery	Gregg County Elections Administration Gregg County Courthouse 101 E. Methvin, Suite 112 Longview, TX 75601
Telephone	903-236-8458
Fax	903-234-3126
Email	elections@co.gregg.tx.us

**Section 6.** *Early Voting Ballots.* An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election, and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Gregg County Elections Administrator. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

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

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

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GREGG COUNTY PROPOSITION A

Shall the Commissioners Court of Gregg County, Texas be authorized to issue bonds of the County in one or more series in the principal amount not to exceed \$19,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, improving and equipping a new parking structure near and in the vicinity of the county courthouse, with such bonds to mature serially or otherwise not more than twenty-five (25) years from their date; and any issue or series of bonds to bear interest at such rate or rates as may be determined within the discretion of the Commissioners Court, provided that such rate of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of the bonds; and shall the Commissioners Court of the County be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in said County sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay bonds at maturity?

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

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Gregg County Proposition A

For	_____ )	) The issuance of \$19,000,000 tax bonds for a new parking structure and
		) levying and imposing a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest
Against	_____ )	) on the bonds.
		)

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

**Section 11.** The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

- (a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.
- (b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.
- (c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is \$19,000,000 for Proposition A.
- (d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the County will be authorized to levy annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the County, sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds.
- (e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.00%. Such estimate considers several factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.

(f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed twenty five (25) years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds.

(g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the County's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$0.00.

(h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the County's debt obligations as of the date of this Order is \$0.00.

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

(j) The website for the County (as the authority conducting and administering the election) is <https://www.greggcountyvotes.com/>.

**EXHIBIT A**

**Early Voting Locations Dates and Hours**

*Ubicación, fechas, y horarios de la votación anticipada:*

**MAIN EARLY VOTING LOCATION:**

Gregg County Courthouse; 101 E Methvin St, Rm 112, Longview, TX 75601

Mon, Oct 23 – Fri, Oct 27 8 AM to 6 PM

Mon, Oct 30 - Wed, Nov 1 8 AM to 6 PM

Thur, Nov 2 – Fri, Nov 3 7 AM to 7 PM

**BRANCH EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS:**

Mon, Oct 23 – Fri, Oct 27 8 AM to 6 PM

Mon, Oct 30 – Fri, Nov 3 8 AM to 6 PM

Pine Tree ISD Community Center – 1701 Pine Tree Rd, Longview, TX 75604

Longview ISD Education Support Center – 1301 E Young St, Longview, TX 75602

City of Lakeport - City Hall - 207 Milam St, Longview, TX 75603

**Election Day Voting Location and Hours**

*Lugares y horarios de votación el Día de la Elección*

November 7, 2023 / 7 de noviembre de 2023

Polls open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm / *Horario de votación estarán abiertos de 7:00 am a 7:00 pm*

<b>NAME OF BUILDING</b>	<b>STREET ADDRESS</b>
Longview Community Center	500 E Whaley St, Longview 75601
Alpine Presbyterian Church	4102 Tryon Rd, Longview 75605
Judson Community Center	1129 FM 1844, Longview 75605
Pine Tree Community Center	1701 Pine Tree Rd, Longview 75604
Greggton Community Center	3211 W Marshall Ave, Longview 75604
Jim Nall Training Center	100 W Church St, White Oak 75693
Sabine ISD	5219 Old Highway 135 N, Liberty City



GREGG COUNTY SPECIAL ELECTION  
(ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL CONDADO DE GREGG)

November 7, 2023 (7 de noviembre de 2023)

OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETAS ELECTORALES OFICIALES)

Place an "x" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.  
(Coloque una "x" en el cuadro al lado de la declaración indicando en qué forma usted quiere votar.)

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For	_____	)	) The issuance of \$19,000,000 tax bonds for a new parking structure and ) levying and imposing a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest ) on the bonds. )
Against	_____	)	
		)	
		)	

condado de gregg  
proposición a del condado de gregg

A favor	_____	)	) La emisión de bonos cubiertos por impuestos por el importe de ) \$19,000,000 para nueva estructura de estacionamiento y gravar e ) imponer un impuesto suficiente para pagar el capital y los intereses de ) los bonos
En contra	_____	)	
		)	
		)	