

**Friendswood Independent School District  
ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION – November 7, 2023**

To the registered voters of Friendswood Independent School District:

On this, the 21st day of August, 2023, the Board of Trustees of Friendswood Independent School District convened in a regular called meeting with the following members present:

<u>Tony Hopkins</u>	<u>Rebecca Hillenburg</u>
<u>David Montz</u>	<u>Niki Rhodes</u>
<u>Laura Seifert</u>	<u>Beau Egert</u>
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and the following absent:

Ralph Hobratschk \_\_\_\_\_

constituting a quorum.

WHEREAS, the Board of Friendswood ISD deems it advisable to call the Voter-Approval Tax Rate special election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, the meeting at which this Order was adopted was in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

THEREFORE, be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Friendswood Independent School District:

That an election be held on November 7, 2023 approving the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.08000 per \$100 valuation in Friendswood Independent School District for the current year, a rate that is \$0.02954 higher per \$100 valuation than the voter-approval tax rate of Friendswood Independent School District, for the purpose of generating additional funds to be used for teacher and staff salaries, safety costs, classroom supplies, utilities, educational resources, insurance, and other items that help educate students each day. Last year, the ad valorem tax rate in Friendswood Independent School District was \$1.20940 per \$100 valuation.

That the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the Texas Election Code, the Texas Tax Code, and the Texas Education Code. All necessary ballots and other election supplies for said election will be furnished in both English and Spanish.

That the Board of Trustees will conduct the local canvass of election results not earlier than the third (3rd) day or later than the eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) day after the Election Day.

That the Board of Trustees shall forthwith issue a notice of said election and post copies of this notice, in both English and Spanish, at the Friendswood Administration Building of said school district at 302 Laurel Drive and shall deliver that notice of the election to the county clerk. Such posting and publication shall be done in the time provided by the Texas Education Code and the Texas Election Code.

That the locations, dates, and times for early voting for this election shall be as set forth in **Exhibit A**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof for all purposes.

That the Galveston County Clerk will serve as the early voting clerk. Dwight Sullivan is authorized and charged to perform the functions provided by law in the casting of early voting ballots and to receive applications for ballots by mail. Dwight Sullivan's official mailing address is P.O. Box 17253 Galveston, TX 77552-7253.

That an application for ballot by mail shall be sent in accordance with the requirements set forth in **Exhibit B**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof for all purposes.

That election day shall be November 7, 2023, with polls being open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_.

The above order being read: it was moved and seconded that the same do pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board of Trustees voted AYE:

Tony Hopkins _____	Rebecca Hillenburg _____
David Montz _____	Niki Rhodes _____
Laura Seifert _____	Beau Egert _____

and the following voted NO:

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**EXHIBIT A**  
**EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, DATES, AND HOURS**

Early voting by personal appearance for this election shall begin on Monday, October 23, 2023 and end on Friday, November 3, 2023. A registered voter of Friendswood ISD may early vote by personal appearance at the Main Early Voting Polling Place in accordance with the dates and hours set forth below. The locations, dates, and hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be as follows:

**Main Early Voting Polling Place**

Location:

TBD

Dates and Hours:

TBD

**EXHIBIT B**  
**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**

An application for ballot by mail shall be sent via mail, common or contract carrier, telephonic facsimile machine, or by electronic transmission of a scanned application containing an original signature and shall be directed to:


Dwight Sullivan, County Clerk  
Ballots By Mail  
P.O. Box 17253  
Galveston, TX 77552-7253

Issued this the **21st** day of **August 2023**.

  
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President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:   
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Secretary, Board of Trustees

This is a true and certified original of the Election Order.

Signature:   
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Date: 8-21-23