

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF DE LEON, TEXAS, ON THE QUESTION OF THE ADOPTION OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY; DESIGNATING THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND THE POLLING PLACE; APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS THEREFOR; PROVIDING THAT ALL DULY QUALIFIED RESIDENT ELECTORS SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE; PRESCRIBING FORM OF BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF ELECTION; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 36, Page 62) authorizes the governing body of any city, town or village in Texas to call an election for the purpose of adopting a local sales and use tax within such city, town or village; Now Therefore, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{CITY COMMISSION} OF THE CITY OF DE LEON, TEXAS:

Section 1. That a special election shall be held in and throughout the City of DeLeon, Texas, on the 27 day of Aug, 1968, at which election there shall be submitted to the resident qualified voters of said City, for their action thereupon, the following propositions:

"FOR adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."
"AGAINST adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."

Section 2. That said election shall be held at one polling place for all qualified voters of said City, and the polling place and presiding officers for said election shall be, to-wit:

Polling Place	Presiding Officers
City Hall	<u>Mrs. J. H. Grizzelle</u> Presiding Judge
	<u>Mrs. O. M. Buchan</u> Alternate Presiding Judge

The Presiding Judge at such election shall appoint two clerks.

Section 3. That said election shall be held in accordance

with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and all duly qualified resident electors of the City of DeLeon, Texas, shall be qualified to vote.

Section 4. That the ballots of said election shall conform to the requirements of Section 2, Subsection G, of Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1067, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 36, Page 62), and to the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended, and the language to be printed thereon shall include the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

FOR adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

AGAINST adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

Section 5. That election judges and clerks are directed to comply with Article 6.06, Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended (Section 2 of House Bill 181, Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 452, Pages 1026, 1028), which provides that a square shall be placed beside each proposition in which the voter is instructed to place an "X" or other clear mark to indicate the way he wishes to vote; but which also provides that failure of a voter to mark his ballot in strict conformity with the directions on the ballot shall not invalidate the ballot, and the

ballot shall be counted if the intention of the voter is clearly ascertainable, except where the law expressly prohibits the counting of the ballot. It is specifically provided that the election officers shall not refuse to count a ballot because of the voter's having marked his ballot by scratching out the statement of proposition for which he does not wish to vote.

Section 6. That notice of the election hereby ordered and called shall be given: (a) by publication on the same day of two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published within said city, the date of the first publication to be at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date set herein for such election; and (b) by posting of such notice at the polling place in each of the election precincts of the city not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set herein for such election. It is hereby found and determined that the DeLeon Free Press is a newspaper published within the City of DeLeon, Texas, and is a newspaper of general circulation within said city.

Section 7. EMERGENCY

The fact that there is not now in effect within the City of DeLeon, Texas, a local sales and use tax and that the revenue that might be derived therefrom is badly needed by the City of DeLeon to provide essential municipal services creates an emergency requiring that the provisions of the law requiring that ordinances shall be read, voted upon and passed at two regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners be suspended and the same are hereby suspended and this ordinance is finally adopted on the date of its introduction.

Passed and approved unanimously this the 23 day of July

1968.



Mayor

Attest;


