

ORDER NO. 2021-11-22

AN ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS: (1) ADOPTING THE 2021 REVISED YOAKUM COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCT PLAN FOR THE RECONFIGURATION OF CERTAIN COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCTS, INCLUDING PUBLIC NOTICE AND ALL RELATED MATTERS, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE AND OTHER AUTHORITY; AND (2) PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

WHEREAS, Yoakum County, Texas (“County”) is a county of the State of Texas, having been duly created and organized under the constitution and laws of Texas, and the Yoakum County Commissioners Court (“Commissioners Court”) is the governing body of the County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 42 of the Texas Election Code (“Chapter 42”) provides, with certain exceptions, that (1) a county shall in odd-numbered years determine whether its county election precincts comply with certain applicable provisions of state law, (2) the effective date of use for a change to county election precincts shall be the first day of the first even-numbered voting year following the voting year in which the change is ordered, and (3) after adoption of revised county election precincts, notice of those revisions must be given by a county to the public and certain public officials; and

WHEREAS, a change in circumstances has occurred which necessitates review and approval by the Commissioners Court of certain revisions to the County’s existing election precinct plan in order to comply with state law, and for the convenience and efficiency of conducting elections, said revisions being hereafter described as the **2021 Revised Yoakum County Election Precinct Plan** (“2021 Revised Plan”), complete with the maps for said plan attached as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that:

- (1) the existing County election precinct plan should be partially revised and reconfigured by the approval of the 2021 Revised Plan described in this order, in compliance with Chapter 42 and other authority, and in the form and scope and in accordance with the plan maps attached as **Exhibit A**;
- (2) the map revisions in **Exhibit A** are in the best interests of the County and the public, and their approval and implementation will increase the convenience and efficiency of conducting elections in the County; and
- (3) all notices required by law shall be performed by the County regarding the approval and implementation of this order, the 2021 Revised Plan, and the **Exhibit A** documents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) Unless otherwise designated in this order, the past, present, or future tense shall each include the other, the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender shall each include the other, and the singular and plural number shall include each other where necessary for a correct meaning.
- (2) All statements made in the caption and preliminary recitals of this order, and all attached documents, are incorporated by reference.
- (3) The Commissioners Court hereby approves this **2021 Revised Yoakum County Election Precinct Plan** as follows: (a) this 2021 Revised Plan shall begin on January 1, 2022; (b) the County's existing election precinct plan is hereby revised and reconfigured as the 2021 Revised Plan herein described; and (c) the boundaries of certain election precincts in the existing plan are hereby revised and reconfigured by the approval of this 2021 Revised Plan, in accordance with the documents attached as **Exhibit A**, being the maps for the 2021 Revised Plan.
- (4) This order and all attached documents shall be filed and maintained in the County Clerk's Office.
- (5) The County shall timely: (a) submit copies of this order (including the maps attached as **Exhibit A**) and other documents required by law to the Texas Secretary of State and other public officials for notice and/or approval as required by law; and (b) provide public notice of this order as required by law.
- (6) The 2021 Revised Plan (including the maps attached as **Exhibit A**) shall take effect and become operative on and after January 1, 2022, and thereafter shall be used in all elections for County officers and other elections administered by the County, as required by Chapter 42 and other authority, until such time as a subsequent, revised, and lawfully enacted County election precinct plan or map revision shall be approved.
- (7) The County's staff and attorneys shall assist the Commissioners Court regarding the successful accomplishment of all tasks and preparation of all documents necessary or advisable for the successful implementation of the 2021 Revised Plan.
- (8) Except for certain matters described in paragraphs (3) and (6) of this order (which matters shall take effect and become operative on

and after January 1, 2020), the remainder of this order shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

- (9) This order was approved and adopted at a meeting of the Commissioners Court held in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act.

ORDERED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on the 22nd day of November, 2021.

**THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS**

County Judge
Yoakum County, Texas

Wade Jones judge pro tem

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Yoakum County, Texas

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