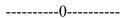
#### **NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§
COUNTIES OF McLENNAN AND FALLS	§ §
ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	§ § §
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# TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE

ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE ELECTION HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED CAN BE FOUND AT <a href="https://www.risdweb.org/">https://www.risdweb.org/</a> and <a href="https://www.mclennan.gov/337/Elections">https://www.mclennan.gov/337/Elections</a>.

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Robinson Independent School District on May 3, 2025 in accordance with an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees of the Robinson Independent School District on January 21, 2025, which order reads substantially as follows:

AN ORDER CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *Board*) of the ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (the *District*), located in McLennan and Falls Counties, Texas (individually, the County, together, the Counties) hereby finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether the District shall be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified (the *Election*); and

WHEREAS, the District will contract (the *Election Contract*) with the elections administrator (the *Administrator*) of McLennan County to conduct all aspects of the Election for all registered voters of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the anticipated capital improvements referenced in Proposition A may be submitted to the qualified voters of the

District as a single proposition as authorized by Section 45.003(g) of the Texas Education Code (the *Code*) because these capital improvements will be used predominantly for teaching required curriculum and/or administrative purposes and are not the type of facilities described in Section 45.003(g)(l-6); and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that it is in the public interest to call and hold the Election at the earliest possible date to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purposes hereinafter identified; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1: The Election shall be held in the ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT on the 3rd day of May, 2025 (Election Day), which is a uniform election date under the Texas Election Code, as amended, and is 78 or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the Order), for the purpose of submitting the following proposition to the qualified voters of the District:

#### PROPOSITION A

"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Robinson Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount not to exceed \$95,495,000 for the construction, renovation, acquisition and equipment of school facilities (and any necessary or related removal of existing facilities), such bonds to mature serially or otherwise (not more than 30 years from their date of issuance) in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates 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 such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?"

SECTION 2: On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the locations designated by the Elections Administrator in accordance with the Election Contract. The locations of such polling places on Election Day are set forth in **Exhibit A** which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Order for all purposes. **Exhibit A** shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places designated by the Elections Administrator and to conform to the Election Contract.

McLennan County participates in the Countywide Polling Place Program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code, meaning that any District voter registered in McLennan County can vote in the Election at any polling place identified in **Exhibit A** for McLennan County.

SECTION 3: Early voting shall be administered by the Elections Administrator. Early

voting shall be conducted by personal appearance at the locations and during the period early voting is required or permitted by law on the dates and at the times set forth in **Exhibit B** which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Order for all purposes. **Exhibit B** shall be modified to include additional or different early voting locations designated by the Elections Administrator and to conform to the Election Contract.

SECTION 4: A voting system or systems meeting the standards and requirements of the Texas Election Code, as amended, is hereby adopted and approved for early voting and for election day voting. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that is equipped for disabled individuals. Pursuant to Section 61.012, as amended, Texas Election Code, the Elections Administrator shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election.

<u>SECTION 5</u>: The Elections Administrator will appoint the Presiding Judges, Alternate Presiding Judges, Election Clerks, and all other election officials for the Election.

An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of an Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the Elections Administrator. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the District to serve as members of each such Early Voting Ballot Board.

The District shall utilize a Central Counting Station (individually, the *Station*, and together the *Stations*) as provided by Section 127.001, *et seq.*, as amended, Texas Election Code. The Administrator, or the designees thereof, is hereby appointed as the Manager of Station who will establish a written plan for the orderly operation of the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The Board authorizes the Administrator, or the designees thereof, to appoint the Presiding Judge, the Tabulation Supervisor, and the Programmer and may appoint Station clerks as needed or desirable. The Administrator will publish (or cause to be published) notice and conduct testing on the automatic tabulation equipment and conduct instruction for the officials and clerks for the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

<u>SECTION 6</u>: The official ballot shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, so as to permit voters to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid proposition which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

#### **PROPOSITION A**

"THE ISSUANCE OF \$95,495,000 OF BONDS BY THE ROBINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, ACQUISITION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES AND THE IMPOSITION OF A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND THE COST OF ANY CREDIT AGREEMENTS. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE."

<u>SECTION 7</u>: All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at

the Election.

SECTION 8: Notice of election, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, with such publication occurring not more than 30 days and not less than 10 days before Election Day. A substantial copy of this Order and the voter information document as shown in **Exhibit C**, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be posted (i) on the bulletin board used for posting notices of Board meetings not less than 21 days prior to Election Day, (ii) in three additional public places within the District's boundaries not later than 21 days prior to Election Day, (iii) in a prominent location at each polling place on Election Day and during early voting, and (iv) in a prominent location on the District's internet website not less than 21 days prior to Election Day. A sample ballot shall be posted on the District's internet website not less than 21 days prior to Election Day.

<u>SECTION 9</u>: In accordance with Section 3.009(b)(5) and (7) through (9) of the Texas Election Code, the District, as of the date of the adoption of this Order, had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of debt equal to \$18,959,991.90; the aggregate amount of the interest owed on such District debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$5,014,574.76; and the District levied an ad valorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.19144 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Based on the bond market conditions on the date of the Board's adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of bonds authorized at the Election is 4.37% (expressed as a net effective interest rate applicable to any such series of bonds). The bonds that are the subject of this Election shall mature serially or otherwise over a specified number of years (but not more than 30 years from their date of issuance), and the District estimates that, based on current bond market conditions, such bonds will amortize over a 30-year period from their respective date of issue. The foregoing estimated maximum net effective interest rate and amortization period are only estimates, provided for Texas statutory compliance; they do not serve as a cap on the per annum interest rate at which any series of bonds authorized at the Election may be sold, or the amortization period for bonds that are the subject of the Election.

SECTION 10: The Board authorizes the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or the respective designee of either of such parties to make such modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced herein. By incorporating all essential terms necessary for a joint election agreement, this Order is intended to satisfy Section 271.002(d) of the Texas Election Code, as amended, without further action of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 11: The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

<u>SECTION 12</u>: All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

SECTION 13: This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

<u>SECTION 14</u>: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

<u>SECTION 15</u>: This Order shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage, and it is so ordered.

YOU WILL, THEREFORE, take notice of all the matters and facts set out in the foregoing Notice of Bond Election.

//s// Alicia Williams, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Robinson Independent School District

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# Exhibit A

# McLENNAN COUNTY ELECTION DAY POLLING INFORMATION\*

Election Day: Saturday, May 3, 2025

Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Presiding Judges and Alternates: to be appointed by the Administrator

\*McLennan County participates in the Countywide Polling Place program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code. Registered voters of McLennan County will be able to cast their Election Day ballots at any of the polling places identified below and on McLennan County's website at: https://www.mclennan.gov/337/Elections.

# AVAILABLE ELECTION DAY VOTE CENTERS

Bellmead Civic Center	3900 Parrish Street, Bellmead	
Chalk Bluff Baptist Church	5993 Gholson Road, Waco	
Fellowship Bible Church	5200 Speegleville Road, McGregor	
Gholson First Baptist Church	228 Wildcat Circle, Gholson	
H. G. Isbill Junior High	305 S. Van Buren Street, McGregor	
Journey Christian Community Church	10424 China Spring Road, Waco	
Lacy Lakeview Civic Center	505 E. Craven Avenue, Waco	
Lake Shore United Methodist Church	3311 Park Lake Drive, Waco	
Lorena First Baptist Church	307 E. Center Street, Lorena	
Mart ISD Administration Building	1100 JL Davis Avenue, Mart	
Robinson Community Center	106 W. Lyndale Avenue, Robinson	
St. Alban's Episcopal Church	305 N. 30 <sup>th</sup> Street, Waco	
West Waco Library/Genealogy Center	5301 Bosque Boulevard, Waco	
Woodway City Hall	922 Estates Drive, Woodway	

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# FALLS COUNTY ELECTION DAY POLLING INFORMATION

Election Day: Saturday, May 3, 2025

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Presiding Judges and Alternates: to be appointed by the Administrator

Location	Address
Robinson Community Center	106 W. Lyndale Avenue, Robinson,
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#### Exhibit B

# McLENNAN COUNTY EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, DATES AND HOURS

Early voting begins Tuesday, April 22, 2025 and ends on Tuesday, April 29, 2025.

Voters entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may do so at any Early Voting site in their County of registration.

Days/Dates	Times
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 – Friday, April 25, 2025	8:00  AM - 5:00  PM
Saturday, April 26, 2025	7:00  AM - 7:00  PM
Sunday, April 27, 2025	1:00  PM - 6:00  PM
Monday, April 28, 2025 – Tuesday, April 29, 2025	7:00  AM - 7:00  PM

Location	Address
McLennan County Elections Administration Office	214 North 4th Street, Suite 300, Waco,
Records Building (Basement)	TX 76701
*Main Early Voting Location	
Robinson Community Center	106 W. Lyndale Avenue, Robinson,
	TX 76076
Waco Multi-Purpose Community Center	1020 Elm Avenue, Waco, TX 76704
West Waco Library/Genealogy Center	5301 Bosque Boulevard, Waco, TX
	76710
Hewitt City Hall/Library	200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643

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# **Early Voting By Mail**

Applications for voting by mail should be received no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Tuesday, April 22, 2025. If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original application so that the early voting clerk receives the original no later than four days after receiving the emailed or faxed copy.

Early Voting Clerk P.O. Box 2450 Waco, Texas 76703 Phone: (254) 757-5043

Fax: (254) 757-5041

Email: ballotbymail@mclennan.gov

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# Exhibit C

# **VOTER INFORMATION DOCUMENT**

Robinson Independent School District Proposition A:

□ FOR	"THE ISSUANCE OF \$95,495,000 OF BONDS BY THE ROBINSON
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	THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND THE COST
	OF ANY CREDIT AGREEMENTS. THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX
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principal of debt obligations to be authorized	\$95,495,000
estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized presuming an interest rate of 4.37%	\$84,454,744
estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized if amortized over 30 years	\$179,949,744
as of the date the election was ordered, principal of all outstanding debt obligations	\$18,959,991.90
as of the date the election was ordered, the estimated interest on all outstanding debt obligations	\$5,014,574.76
estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full all outstanding debt obligations amortized over 16 years	\$23,974,566.66
estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes on a residence homestead with an appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be authorized, if approved. This figure assumes application of a homestead exemption of \$100,000.	\$0
This figure makes conservative assumptions about the amortization period of the debt obligations and the estimated interest rate; and presumes growth in estimated future taxable values within the District of 29.02% for the first year, 23.27% for the second year, 8% for the third year, 6% for the fourth year, 5% for the next five years, and 1% annually thereafter.	