

JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT

Between

The County of Mills and the
Priddy Independent School District

By the terms of the agreement, the Local Political Subdivisions (LPS) do hereby agree, pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Election Code, to hold joint elections for their Special Election for the County (County) and a General Election for Priddy Independent School District (PISD) to be held on November 5, 2024.

See attachment for a listing of polling places and joint elections to be conducted at each.

The early voting will be conducted jointly for the Priddy Independent School District by Mills County Clerk. Early voting shall be conducted during the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. each weekday for the period beginning October 21, 2024 through October 25, 2024, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on October 26, 2024, from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm on October 27, 2024 and from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm from October 28, 2024 through November 1, 2024. Applications for ballot by mail shall be sent to the Mills County Clerk, PO Box 646, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

The County shall appoint Election Day judges and clerks. The County shall appoint the Early Voting Ballot Board to process mail and any provisional ballots voted.

The ballot shall be prepared in accordance with Texas Election Code. PISD shall provide the ballot language in English and Spanish to the County and the PISD will be requested to approve the ballot before programming begins. The ballot shall be prepared as a single ballot. The County Clerk shall report the ballot information to the programmer (Hart). Ballot language shall be reported to the County Clerk as soon as it is available. Paper ballots will be utilized during Early Voting and Election Day with electronic tabulation.

The County shall prepare canvass reports and tabulation returns and provide to each entity to be used in their official canvass. Elections records shall be preserved by each LPS for their required retention period. Election notices shall be prepared and published by each political subdivision. The County Clerk shall publish the Notice of the Public Test of the Electronic Tabulating Equipment (Logic and Accuracy Test) pursuant to the Texas Election Code and the cost will be prorated between the political subdivision. The County Clerk will conduct the Logic and Accuracy Test prior to Early Voting.

The County shall be responsible for selecting election judges and clerks, secure the polling places and compensating judges and clerks. The PISD shall contribute to the compensation of the judges and clerks on a prorated basis.

The PISD shall be responsible for the cost of their ballot programming. County will be responsible for acquiring election kits and ballot by mail kits. PISD will reimburse County for cost of voting

kits, ballot by mail kits and postage required to mail ballots by mail. Cost to lease voting equipment and other costs common to all elections shall be shared cost on a prorated basis. Other cost shall be paid upon receipt of satisfactory billing and invoices from the Contracting Officer reflecting the total of such expenses plus a 10% administrative fee.

The LPS understand that the Contracting Officer may have contracted with other local political subdivisions. The LPS acknowledge, and do hereby give their consent, that such other local political subdivisions may use the same early voting location, voting equipment there, and the services of the early voting deputies there and the same Election Day polling location, voting equipment there, and the services of the election workers there.

The Parties authorize the County Clerk and Superintendent to vary the terms of this agreement as may be necessary to conform to applicable law or for the proper conduct of the joint election without further action by the governing body of either Party. Any such amendment of this agreement shall be of no effect unless in writing and signed by all Parties hereto.

The Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original for all purposes.

Approved by the Priddy Independent School District's in its meeting held the 17th day of June, 2024, and executed by its authorized representative.

By: Cindy Woody
Title: Superintendent
Priddy Independent School District

Approved by the Mills County Commissioners' Court in its meeting held the 24 of June, 2024 and executed by its authorized representative.

By: Jeff J. Johnson
Title: Mills County Judge

By: Shyan Bell
Title: Mills County Clerk