# COURT ORDER NO. <u>2017- 15\ -09-25</u>

#### STATE OF TEXAS

# COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

#### **COUNTY OF COLLIN**

On Monday, September 5, 2017, the Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Special Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Jack Hatchell Collin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, 2300 Bloomdale Road, City of McKinney, Texas, with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Judge Keith Self Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1 Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2 Commissioner Chris Hill, Precinct 3 Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Commissioner Fletcher led the Invocation.

Commissioner Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

**1.** Judge Self called to order the Special Session Meeting of the <u>Collin County</u> <u>Commissioners' Court</u> at 1:30 p.m.

President Self called to order the Special Session Meeting of the <u>Collin County Health</u> <u>Care Foundation</u> at 1:41 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

President Self called to order the Special Session Meeting of the Collin County Toll Road Authority at 1:41 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

#### 2. Public Comments.

Mike Giles, McKinney, came forward to thank the Court for their efforts on the County's budget. He was especially appreciative of what was done with the public safety portion. (Time: 1:34 p.m.)

- 3. Presentation/Recognition.
- **4. Consent agenda to approve:** Judge Self asked for comments on the consent agenda. Hearing no comments, a motion was made to approve the consent agenda. (Time: 1:40 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Vote: 5 - 0 Passed

a. Al-43638 Disbursements for the period ending August 29, 2017, Auditor.

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b. Al-43639 Indigent Defense Disbursements, Auditor.

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#### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

**5.** <u>Al-43669</u> Public Hearing – Proposed FY 2018 Tax Rate, Budget.

Monika Arris, Budget, briefed the Court on the proposed tax rate before the opening for the Public Hearing. The 2017 certified adjusted taxable value is \$122.4 billion which equates to a 13% increase over the 2016 tax year. The average home value in Collin County for the 2017 tax year is \$344,382. Ms. Arris explained the truth-in-taxation calculations. The effective tax rate is a calculation which would give the County the same amount of revenue it had in the previous and present year for properties that existed in both tax years. This year's effective tax rate is \$0.192246. The effects of the tax rate are determined by the increases or decreases in the appraised value each year for properties that existed in both tax years. If appraised values go up, the effective tax rate goes down and vice versa.

The rollback rate is a calculation which splits the tax rate into two separate components – maximum operating rate and debt tax rate. The rollback rate allows the County to raise the same amount in operations as in the prior year plus an additional 8% allowed by law. The maximum operating tax rate of \$0.152639 added to the debt tax rate of \$0.05345 gives this year's total rollback rate of \$0.206089. The County is proposing an operating tax rate of \$0.138796 plus the debt tax rate of \$0.05345 which gives the proposed total tax rate of \$0.192246 for 2017.

The current tax rate is \$0.208395 per \$100 valuation and the proposed tax rate is \$0.192246 per \$100 valuation. If this tax rate is adopted it would be the twenty-fifth year without a tax rate increase. FY2018 will be the ninth year for the 5% Homestead Exemption. With the proposed tax rate of \$0.192246, and a 5% homestead exemption, the average homeowner will pay \$628.96 in county taxes for the 2017 tax year.

The second tax rate public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 2017, in the Jack Hatchell Administration Building, Commissioners' Courtroom. The proposed budget will be filed on Monday, September 11, 2017, and will be posted on the County's website. On Monday, September 18, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. a public hearing will be held on the FY2018 proposed budget in the Jack Hatchell Administration Building, Commissioners' Courtroom. The adoption of the FY2018 budget, FY2018 tax rate and FY2018 fee schedule will occur at that time.

Judge Self opened the public hearing for the FY2018 Proposed Tax Rate at 1:40 p.m. and asked for comments. Hearing no comments, the Judge closed the public hearing at 1:40 p.m. (Time: 1:40 p.m.)

## **NO ACTION TAKEN**

**6.** Possible future agenda items by Commissioners Court without discussion.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Court did not recess into Executive Session. There being no further business of the Court, Judge Self adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

Keith Self, County Judge

Not Present

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct 3

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk Commissioners Court Collin County, T E X A S