

**ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION TO ADOPT A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE
DISTRICT**

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF NEWTON §

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 775.0751 and 775.0752 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, Newton County Emergency Services District No. 6 (“District”) wishes to order an election to adopt a local sales and use tax in the District in an amount not to exceed two percent (2%); and

WHEREAS, the District desires to adopt a local sales and use tax of two percent (2%) for all areas located within the District; and

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, the County of Newton does not collect a local sales and use tax within the District; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the District are wholly located within the County of Newton; and

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, the City of Newton collects a two percent (2%) local sales and use tax; and

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, there are no other entities within the boundaries of the District that collect any portion of the available local sales and use tax; and

WHEREAS, based upon the facts stated above, and if the District’s election is successful, a local sales and use tax not to exceed two percent (2%) is available to the available areas within the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District wishes to proceed with the ordering of an election for May 3, 2025, the next available uniform election date, and appointing election officials required for the conduct of the election, and has deemed it advisable to call the election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, the meeting to adopt this Order was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Government Code, as amended.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NEWTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 6:

Section 1: The matters and facts set out in the recitals of this Order are hereby found and declared to be true and complete.

Section 2: That an election shall be held by the District between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM on May 3, 2025 in the District at the Newton County precinct polling place locations established by Newton County at which there shall be submitted the question of adopting the local sales and use tax for all areas within the District in which any percentage of local sales and use tax is available.

Section 3: Voting in the election must be by use of paper ballots and must be available in both English and Spanish and conform to the requirements of the Texas Election Code. The ballots used in the election must have printed thereon the following proposition:

PROPOSITION A: The adoption of a local sales and use tax in Newton County Emergency Services District No. 6 at a rate not to exceed two percent (2%).

Each voter may vote for or against the Proposition by filling in the oval next to the word “FOR” or by filling in the oval next to the word “AGAINST”.

Section 4: The polling place for each such election precinct shall be the polling place established by Newton County for such election precincts in Newton County. Early voting dates, times and locations and the election day polling locations are as attached as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B."

The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks for the election appointed by Newton County in compliance with the requirements of state law are hereby designated and appointed election officers for the holding of this election. The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks shall perform the functions and duties of their respective positions that are provided by state law. Early voting in the election by personal appearance shall begin on April 22, 2025 and continue through April 29, 2025, unless the early voting period is extended by the Governor of Texas. The Clerk for Early Voting is Sandra K. Duckworth, Newton County Clerk and Elections Administrator, and early voting will be conducted at polling locations established by Newton County for early voting.

The Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots to be voted by mail may be sent is:

Early Voting Clerk
PO Box 484
Newton, TX 75966
sandra.duckworth@co.newton.tx.us

Section 5: The election shall be held and conducted by returns made of this election in accordance with the Texas Election Code, as modified by Chapter 775 of the Texas Health & Safety Code.

Section 6: All qualified residents of the District shall be entitled to vote in the election.

Section 7: The Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to cause notice of this election to be published in both English and Spanish in newspaper of general circulation in Newton County, Texas pursuant to §4.003 of the Election Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of February, 2025.

Newton County Emergency Services District No. 6

By: 

Charles Duckworth, President

Board of Commissioners

Attest: 

Ronald Cochran, County Judge

Exhibit "A"

Early Voting Times and Locations for the May 3, 2025 Special Election

Last Day to Register to Vote: April 3rd

Last Day to Receive an
Application to Vote by Mail: April 22nd

Applications to Vote by Mail must be mailed to:

Early Voting Clerk
PO Box 484
115 Court St
Newton, TX 75966
sandra.duckworth@co.newton.tx.us

Main Early Voting Location: Newton County Clerk's Office
115 Court Street
Newton, TX 75966

Branch Early Voting Location: Deweyville Subcourthouse
42520 St Hwy 87
Orange, TX 77632

Early Voting Hours apply to both the Main Early Voting Location and Branch Early Voting Location:

Tuesday	April 22 nd	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Wednesday	April 23 rd	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Thursday	April 24 th	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Friday	April 25 th	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday	April 26 th	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Sunday	April 27 th	12:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Monday	April 28 th	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday	April 29 th	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Exhibit "B"

Election Day Times and Locations for the May 3, 2025 Special Election

Election Day – All Polls Opened from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Voting Box 1 - East Newton	Iris and Annie Howard Civic Center
Voting Box 6 - West Newton	213 Court Street
Voting Box 12 - South Newton	Newton, TX 75966
Voting Box 3 - Burkeville	Cade Building
Voting Box 23 - South Burkeville	142 St Hwy 63 E
	Burkeville, TX 75932
Voting Box 4 - Farrsville	Heart of Worship Church
	5775 St Hwy 63 W
	Wiergate, TX 75977
Voting Box 2 - Leesmill	Bon Wier Baptist Church
Voting Box 7 - Bon Wier	10625 Hwy 190 E
	Bon Wier, TX 75928
Voting Box 5 - Toledo Bend	Toledo Bend Community Center
	163 S Evergreen
	Burkeville, TX 75932
Voting Box 8 - Bleakwood	Believer's New Life Ministry Church
Voting Box 22 - East Bleakwood	226 FM 363 N
	Newton, TX 75966
Voting Box 9 - South Call	Trout Creek Fire Department
Voting Box 16 - North Call	17400 St Hwy 87 S
	Call, TX 75933
Voting Box 10 - Laurel	Old Laurel Baptist Church
	145 Co Rd 4115
	Buna, TX 77612
Voting Box 11 - Deweyville	Deweyville Subcourthouse
Voting Box 13 - Hartburg	42520 St Hwy 87
Voting Box 21 - Gist	Orange, TX 77632
Voting Box 14 - Wiergate	New Greater Macedonia Baptist Church
	495 FM 1415 N
	Wiergate, TX 75977

Voting Box 15 - Pine Grove

**Pine Grove Baptist Church
6151 St Hwy 87 S
Newton, TX 75966**

Voting Box 17 - Liberty

**Liberty Baptist Church
415 Co Rd 2036
Newton, TX 75966**

Voting Box 18 - Salem

**Old Salem Community Center
147 Co Rd 4110
Call, TX 75933**

Voting Box 19 - Fawil

**Fawil United Pentecostal Church
3926 FM 363
Newton, TX 75966**

Voting Box 20 - Jamestown

**West Chapel Church
10150 FM 1012
Wiergate, TX 75977**