

## Dallas Central Appraisal District

Date: August 15, 2019

To: Robert Dye, Mayor, City of Farmers Branch

From: W. Kenneth Nolan, Executive Director/Chief Appraiser

Re: Election/Appointment of Members to Board of Directors of the Dallas Central Appraisal District

The Property Tax Code, Section 6.03, requires that an election or appointment of members to the Board of Directors of an appraisal district be conducted in odd numbered years. The term of office for elected or appointed members is two years, beginning in even numbered years.

The Property Tax Code specifies the qualifications for membership to the Board of Directors in Section 6.03 of the Code. These qualifications are:

- 1. Must be a resident of the Dallas CAD (DCAD) for at least two years prior to the election.
- 2. May be an elected official of an agency represented by the DCAD.
- 3. Cannot be an employee of any agency represented by the DCAD.
- 4. Cannot be related within the second degree by consanguinity or affinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, to an individual who is engaged in the business of appraising property for compensation for use in proceedings under this title or of representing property owners for compensation in proceedings under this title in the appraisal district.
- 5. Cannot own property on which delinquent taxes have been owed to a taxing unit for more than 60 days after the date the individual knew or should have known of the delinquency unless:
  - (A) the delinquent taxes and any penalties and interest are being paid under an installment payment agreement under Section 33.02; or
  - (B) a suit to collect the delinquent taxes is deferred or abated under Section 33.06 or 33.065.
- 6. An individual is ineligible to serve on an appraisal district board of directors if the individual has engaged in the business of appraising property for compensation for use in proceedings under this title or of representing property owners for compensation in proceedings under this title in the appraisal district at any time during the preceding five years.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Property Tax Code in 1979, the agencies of Greater Dallas County elected to amend the manner in which representatives were chosen. By special provision of the Property Tax Code, it was decided that the following procedure would be adopted for the election or appointment of members.

## Appointments

- A. The City of Dallas will be entitled to appoint one (1) member to the Board.
- B. The Dallas Independent School District will be entitled to appoint one (1) member to the Board.

C. The Dallas County Commissioners Court may appoint one (1) member to the Board. The member appointed by the Commissioners Court may not be a resident of either the City of Dallas or the Dallas Independent School District.

## Elections

- D. Each of the incorporated cities and towns, except the City of Dallas, shall have the right to nominate by official resolution one (1) candidate as the fourth member to the Board. The said cities and towns shall, from among the nominations received, elect by a majority vote, with each city and town being entitled to one (1) vote, a member to the Board of Directors.
- E. Each of the Independent School Districts, except the Dallas Independent School District, shall have the right to nominate by official resolution one (1) candidate as the fifth member to the Board. The said Independent School Districts shall, from among the nominations received, elect by a majority vote, with each Independent School District being entitled to one (1) vote, a member to the Board of Directors.

The votes required for appointment of the Board of Directors as prescribed by the Texas Property Tax Code, in Subsections d and e, hereof, shall be by a majority of those authorized to vote in Subsections d and e, respectively, and not by a majority of the quorum. In accordance with the procedures described in the Property Tax Code, the schedule for election/appointment is as follows:

By October 15: Nominees for each entity described in Subsections d and e hereto shall be submitted

to the Chief Appraiser.

By October 30: The Chief Appraiser shall prepare a resolution ballot for those entities described in

Subsections d and e hereto and submit the ballot accordingly.

By December 16: Each agency entitled to vote will do so by official resolution ballot and return same to

the Chief Appraiser as soon thereafter as practical.

By January 1: Results of the election will be affirmed.

The County of Dallas, the City of Dallas and the Dallas Independent School District should advise the Chief Appraiser of their appointments no later than November 15, if possible. These appointments should also be by official resolution. The term of office for each member is two years beginning on January 1, 2020.

At the conclusion of the process, every agency will be advised of the final appointments or election results. For the convenience of the entities, a sample resolution is included for the purpose of nominations from the suburban cities and school districts. If you have any questions about this process, please contact me or Cheryl Jordan at 214/631-0520.

Enclosure (Sample Resolution)

cc: Charles Cox, City Manager
Amy Piukana, Interem City Secretary
Sherrelle Evans-Jones, Director of Finance