



**AN ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF COUNTY OF TRAVIS, STATE OF TEXAS
TO
GIVE DIRECTION TO DESIGNATED OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE
ON CALCULATION OF VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE
FOR TAX YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025**

RECITALS

Section 26.042 of the Tax Code authorizes the Commissioners Court, as the governing body of County of Travis, which is not a special taxing unit, to direct the designated officer or employee to calculate the voter-approval tax rate of County of Travis in the manner provided for a special taxing unit if any part of the County is located in an area declared a disaster area by the Governor of Texas or the President of the United States, and at least one person in the County is granted an exemption under Tax Code § 11.35 for property located in the taxing unit.

On July 4, 2025, Governor Greg Abbott issued a disaster proclamation declaring a state of disaster in multiple counties in Texas. On July 5, 2025, that proclamation was amended to include Travis County, based on the heavy rainfall and flash flooding that posed an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life, and authorized the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

On July 5, 2025, Travis County Judge Andy Brown issued a Declaration of Disaster pursuant to his authority under Texas Government Code Chapter 418, Section 418.108 due to conditions posing an imminent threat of severe damage, injury or loss of life or property due to severe flash flooding and heavy rainfall in Travis County (the "July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster"). That declaration authorized the County to take actions necessary to protect the health and safety of Travis County residents and to protect or rehabilitate property in accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 418.

On July 8, 2025, the Commissioners Court continued the local disaster declaration through an Order of Continuation, which confirmed the need for emergency response services, immediate procurement, and increased expenditures to protect the public health, safety, and property of Travis County residents.

The President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, issued a federal disaster declaration for Travis County, providing for individual assistance on July 10, 2025 and adding Travis County to the declaration for public assistance on July 18, 2025, pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, thereby authorizing federal emergency assistance and resources to support state and local recovery efforts related to the July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster.

Additionally, at least one person in Travis County has been granted an exemption under Texas Tax Code § 11.35 for property located in Travis County.

FINDINGS

The Commissioners Court makes the following findings:

1. The taxing unit, the County of Travis, is wholly within an area declared to be a disaster area by:
 - Governor Greg Abbott of the State of Texas on July 4, 2025;
 - Travis County Judge Andy Brown on July 5, 2025, with continuation authorized by the Travis County Commissioners Court on July 8, 2025;
 - President Donald J. Trump of the United States, providing individual assistance on July 10, 2025, and public assistance on July 18, 2025, pursuant to the Stafford Act.
2. As a result of the July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster, a substantial and unprecedented amount of damage has occurred throughout Travis County, including major flooding in areas such as Big Sandy Creek and Cow Creek. In response, the County has engaged in significant recovery efforts, including emergency road and bridge repairs such as the rapid installation of a temporary low-water crossing to restore access to the Sandy Creek neighborhood after the bridge collapse. The County has coordinated large-scale debris removal and disposal operations, deployed dumpsters and drop-off centers in flood-impacted areas, and worked with state and local partners to assess infrastructure damage, including failures along FM 1431 at the Cow Creek crossing and other major thoroughfares in northwest Travis County. The County has also supported emergency medical response, search and rescue efforts, social services assistance for displaced and impacted residents, and logistical operations to aid evacuations and sustain recovery activities across multiple communities. These actions are consistent with the County's statutory responsibilities under Texas Government Code, Chapter 418, including §§ 418.023(c), 418.1015(b), 418.107(a), and 418.108.
3. The Commissioners Court finds that increased expenditures by the County of Travis will be necessary during the current tax year to respond to the disaster and to invest in preparedness measures that will strengthen the County's ability to respond to future emergency events.

ORDER

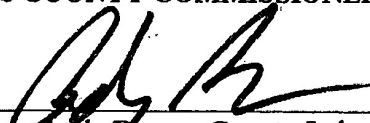
Pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 26.042(a), the Commissioners Court of the County of Travis hereby directs the Budget Officer, as the "designated officer or employee," to calculate the voter-approval tax rate for the County of Travis, which is not a special taxing unit, in the manner provided for a special taxing unit under Texas Tax Code § 26.04(c)(2)(A) for the tax year beginning January 1, 2025.

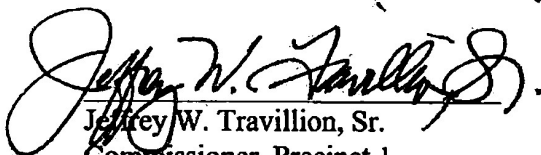
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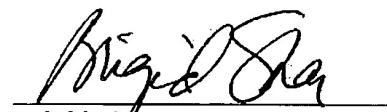
Commissioners Court's determination that increased expenditures are necessary as a result of the disaster.

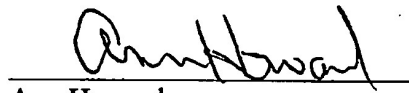
Date of Order: July 29, 2025

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT


Andy Brown, County Judge


Jeffrey W. Travillion, Sr.
Commissioner, Precinct 1


Brigid Shea
Commissioner, Precinct 2

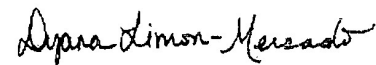

Ann Howard
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Absent
Margaret Gómez
Commissioner, Precinct 4

STAYS IN FILE



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Dyana Limon-Mercado, County Clerk
Travis County, Texas

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