

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN OF ANNETTA, TEXAS, ON THE QUESTION OF ADOPTION OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE TOWN; DESIGNATING THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND THE POLLING PLACE; APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS THEREFORE; PROVIDING THAT ALL ONLY QUALIFIED RESIDENT ELECTORS SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF THE BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF ELECTION; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Article 10660, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (ACTS 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 36, Page 62) authorizes the governing body of any city, town or village in Texas to call an election for the purpose of adopting a local sales and use tax within such city, town or village;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ANNETTA, TEXAS:

I.

That an election be held in and throughout the Town of Annetta, Texas, on the 4th day of April, 1981, in conjunction with the regular municipal elections at which election there shall be submitted to the resident qualified voters of said Town, for their action thereupon, on the same ballot the following propositions:

"For the adoption of a local general sales tax; and for a local sales and use tax on electricity; gas, both natural and manufactured; and any other applicable utility within the Town."

"Against the adoption of a local general sales tax; and for a local sales and use tax on electricity; gas, both natural and manufactured; and any other applicable utility within the Town."

II.

That said election shall be held in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and all duly qualified resident electors of the Town of Annetta, Texas, shall be qualified to vote.

IV.

That the ballots of said election shall conform to the requirements of Section 2, Subsection C, of Article 10660, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 36, Page 62), and to the requirements of Chapter 6 of the

Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended, and the language to be printed thereon shall include the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

For the adoption of a local general sales tax; and for a local sales and use tax on electricity; gas, both natural and manufactured; and any other applicable utility within the Town.

Against the adoption of a local general sales tax; and for a local sales and use tax on electricity; gas, both natural and manufactured; and any other applicable utility within the Town.

V.

That election judges and clerks are directed to comply with Article 6.06, Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended (Section 2 of House Bill 181, Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 452, Pages 1026, 1028), which provides that a square shall be placed beside each proposition in which the voter is instructed to place an "X" or other clean mark to indicate the way he wishes to vote; but which also provides that failure of a voter to mark his ballot in strict conformity with the directions on the ballot shall not invalidate the ballot, and the ballot shall be counted if the intention of the voter is clearly ascertainable, except where the law expressly prohibits the counting of the ballot. It is specifically provided that the election officers shall not refuse to count a ballot because of the voter's having marked his ballot by scratching out the statement of proposition for which he does not wish to vote.

VI.

That proper notice of the election hereby ordered and called shall be given as required by the laws of the State of Texas applicable to the Town of Annetta, by posting notice of such election at the Annetta Methodist Church for such election in the Town not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set herein

for such election.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 6th day of January, 1981.

Mayor, Town of Annetta

ATTEST:

Betty Scott
Town Secretary