

ORDINANCE NO. 944-26

AN ORDINANCE ordering an election to be held in the City of Willow Park, Texas; making provisions for the conduct of the election; and resolving other matters incident and related to such election.

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2025, pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 271, Subchapter C, as amended, the City Council (the “City Council”) of the City of Willow Park, Texas (the “City”), approved Resolution No. 2025-17, Approving and Authorizing Publication and Posting of Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation (the “Notice”) to pay contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, equipping, and improving waterworks and sewer system properties and facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (ii) constructing, acquiring, maintaining, improving and equipping streets, roads, and intersections, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, entryways, pedestrian pathways, signage and traffic signalization, the relocation of utilities in connection therewith and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) designing, constructing, acquiring, improving, enlarging, and equipping the City’s municipal drainage utility system and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor; and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and the financing thereof (collectively, the “Projects”); and

WHEREAS, following publication and posting of the Notice in accordance with law and prior to the City Council’s authorization of the issuance of the certificates of obligation, the City received a petition signed by at least five percent of the qualified voters of the City protesting the issuance of the certificates of obligation which the City accepted; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 271.049, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, if before the date tentatively set for the authorization of the issuance of the certificates of obligation or if before the authorization, the City Secretary receives a petition signed by at least five percent of the qualified voters of the issuer protesting the issuance of the certificates of obligation, the City may not authorize the issuance of the certificates of obligation unless the issuance is approved at an election ordered, held, and conducted in the manner provided for bond elections under Chapter 1251, Texas Government Code, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City hereby finds that an election should be held to determine whether the City Council shall be authorized to issue certificates of obligation of the City in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified (the “Election”); and

WHEREAS, the City will conduct the Election in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas (the “State”) and applicable federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the City will contract with the elections administrator (the “Administrator”) of Parker County, Texas (the “County”) to conduct all aspects of the Election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that it is in the public interest to call and hold the Election at the earliest possible date to authorize the issuance of certificates of obligation for the purposes hereinafter identified;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK:

SECTION 1: The Election shall be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026 (“Election Day”), in the City, which date is not less than seventy-eight (78) nor more than ninety (90) days from the date of the

adoption hereof and is a uniform election date pursuant to Texas Election Code, as amended (the “Code”), Section 41.001, for the purpose of submitting the following proposition:

City of Willow Park, Texas Proposition A
THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Shall the City Council of the City of Willow Park, Texas, be authorized to issue certificates of obligation of the City in the principal amount of \$10,110,000 for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, equipping, and improving waterworks and sewer system properties and facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (ii) constructing, acquiring, maintaining, improving and equipping streets, roads, and intersections, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, entryways, pedestrian pathways, signage and traffic signalization, the relocation of utilities in connection therewith and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) designing, constructing, acquiring, improving, enlarging, and equipping the City’s municipal drainage utility system and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor; and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and the financing thereof; said certificates of obligation to mature serially over a period not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from their date of issuance, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council under laws in effect at the time of issuance of the certificates of obligation; and whether the City Council shall be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, within the limitations prescribed by law, on all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest on the certificates of obligation and to create a sinking fund to pay the certificates of obligation at maturity, with such certificates of obligations to be additionally secured by a lien on and pledge of surplus “Net Revenues,” received by the City from the ownership and operation of the City’s Waterworks and Sewer System?”

SECTION 2: Pursuant to an agreement with the Parker County Elections Department, the Election shall be conducted by the Parker County Elections Department in accordance with the provisions of the agreement for election services (the “Contract”). On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the locations designated by the Administrator in accordance with the Contract.

The locations of the polling places on Election Day are set forth in **Exhibit A**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Ordinance for all purposes. **Exhibit A** shall be modified to include additional or different Election Day polling places designated by the Administrator and to conform to the Contract. The election officers and maximum number of clerks for each polling place shall be determined and appointed in accordance with the Contract.

SECTION 3: The locations, dates, and times for early voting for this Election shall be as shown in **Exhibit B**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Ordinance for all purposes. Crickett Miller, Parker County Elections Administrator, is hereby appointed early voting clerk and shall appoint and designate deputy clerks for early voting in accordance with the Contract. **Exhibit B** shall be modified to include additional or different early voting locations, dates and times designated by the Administrator and to conform to the Contract.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers for the early voting ballot board for this Election shall be appointed and designated in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

SECTION 4: The Central Counting Station for the tabulation and counting of ballots for this Election shall be located at the Parker County Courthouse Annex Election Office, 1112 Santa Fe Drive, Weatherford, Texas, and the Manager, Tabulation Supervisor, Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge at such Central Counting Station shall be determined, appointed and designated in accordance with the Contract with the Parker County Elections Department. The Manager and Presiding Judge of such Central Counting Station may appoint clerks to serve at such Station, as provided by Texas Election Code, Section 127.006, as amended. The Administrator will publish (or cause to be published) notice and conduct testing on the automatic tabulation equipment relating to the Station and conduct instruction for the officials and clerks for the Station according to the Texas Election Code, as amended.

SECTION 5: A voting system or systems meeting the standards and requirements of the Texas Election Code, as amended, is hereby adopted and approved for early voting by personal appearance and by mail and for election day voting. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for a voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals. Pursuant to Section 61.012, as amended, Texas Election Code, the Administrator shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election.

SECTION 6: The official ballot shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code, as amended, so as to permit voters to vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the aforesaid proposition which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

City of Willow Park, Texas Proposition A
THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of \$10,110,000 City of Willow Park, Texas, certificates of obligation for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, equipping, and improving waterworks and sewer system properties and facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (ii) constructing, acquiring, maintaining, improving and equipping streets, roads, and intersections, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, entryways, pedestrian pathways, signage and traffic signalization, the relocation of utilities in connection therewith and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) designing, constructing, acquiring, improving, enlarging, and equipping the City’s municipal drainage utility system and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor; and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and the financing thereof; the imposition of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the certificates of obligation and a lien on and pledge of the surplus net revenues of the City’s Waterworks and Sewer System”

SECTION 7: All resident qualified electors of the City shall be permitted to vote at said Election. This Election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Code and Texas Government Code, Chapter 1251, and as may be required by law, all election materials and proceedings shall be printed in English and Spanish.

SECTION 8: Notice of election, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published on the same day in each of two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, the first of these publications to appear in such newspaper not more than 30 days, and not less than 14 days, prior to Election Day. Moreover, a substantial copy of this Ordinance and the voter information document attached as **Exhibit C**, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be posted (i) at City Hall not less than 21 days prior to Election Day; (ii) at three additional public places within the City not less than 21 days prior to Election Day; (iii) in a prominent location at each polling place on Election Day and during early voting;

and (iv) in a prominent location on the City's internet website not less than 21 days prior to Election Day. A sample ballot shall be posted on the City's internet website not less than 21 days prior to Election Day.

SECTION 9: In accordance with Section 3.009(b)(5) and (7) through (9) of the Texas Election Code, the City, as of the date of the adoption of this Ordinance, had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of debt equal to \$64,610,000; the aggregate amount of the interest owed on such City debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$25,534,941; and the City levied an ad valorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.2259 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Based on the bond market conditions on the date of the adoption of this Ordinance, the maximum interest rate for any series of certificates of obligation authorized at the Election is 4.75% (expressed as a net effective interest rate applicable to any such series of certificates of obligation). The certificates of obligation that are the subject of this Election shall mature serially or otherwise over a specified number of years (not more than 25 years from their date of issuance), though the City estimates that, based on current bond market conditions, such certificates of obligation will amortize over a 20-year period from their respective date of issue. The foregoing estimated interest rate and amortization period are only estimates, provided for Texas statutory compliance, and do not serve as a cap on the interest rate or the amortization period for certificates that are the subject of the Election.

SECTION 10: The City Council authorizes the Mayor, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, or their respective designee, to negotiate and enter into one or more election agreements and/or similar contracts or agreements with the County, acting by and through the Administrator, as permitted and in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended. In addition, the City authorizes the Mayor, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, or the respective designee of either of such parties to make such technical modifications to this Ordinance that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the City Council, as evidenced herein. To the extent that any duty or obligation of the City, in general, or any City official, in particular, is properly delegated to the County pursuant to an election agreement with the County, then the County's carrying out those duties and obligations on the City's behalf pursuant to the terms of such election agreement shall be binding upon the City and are hereby determined by the City Council to be evidence of the City's compliance with the provisions of applicable Texas law concerning the Election relative to the same. By incorporating all essential terms necessary for a joint election agreement, this Ordinance is intended to satisfy Section 271.002(d) of the Texas Election Code, as amended, without further action of the City Council

SECTION 11: This Ordinance shall incorporate the provisions of the Contract, and to the extent of any conflict between this Ordinance and the Contract, the provisions of the Contract shall control. The Mayor, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, City Secretary, or other appropriate official is hereby authorized to correct, modify or change the exhibits to this Ordinance based upon the final locations and times agreed upon by the Parker County Elections Department and the City.

SECTION 11. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 12. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1201.028, as amended, Texas Government Code, this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this August 11, 2026.

CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

(City Seal)

EXHIBIT A

ELECTION DAY VOTING LOCATIONS

Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Presiding Judges and Alternates: to be appointed by Parker County

Parker County participates in the Countywide Polling Place program under Section 43.007, as amended, Texas Election Code. Registered voters will be able to cast their Election Day ballots at any of the voting locations identified below and on Parker County's website at:

<https://www.parkercountytexas.gov/118/Elections>.

Location (ubicación)	Location Address (dirección)	Room (sala)
Silver Creek Methodist Church	2200 Church Rd, Azle 76020	Activities Center
Azle City Hall	505 W Main St, Azle 76020	Community Room
Reno City Hall	195 W Reno Rd, Azle 76020	Council Room
Springtown Senior Center	1070 N Main St, Springtown 76082	Community Room
Legacy Church	3591 E Highway 199, Springtown 76082	Youth Room
Friendship Baptist Church	801 Friendship Rd, Weatherford 76085	Gym
Harberger Hill Community Center	701 Narrow St, Weatherford 76086	Large Room
Trinity Lutheran Church	1500 Ball St, Weatherford 76086	Fellowship Hall
Poolville Global Methodist Church	230 North Church, Poolville 76487	Fellowship Hall
Peaster ISD Rock Gym	8498 FM RD 920, Peaster 76088	Back Room of Gym
Whitt Fire Department	4312 N FM RD 52, Whitt 76490	Training Room
Bethesda United Methodist Church	6657 FM RD 113 N, Weatherford 76088	Johnson Hall
Shady Grove Baptist Church	2470 W Lambert Rd, Weatherford 76088	Sunday School
Union Baptist Church	3451 Sarra Ln, Springtown 76082	Parsonage
Victory Baptist Church	1304 Fort Worth Hwy, Weatherford 76086	Youth Building
Mount Pleasant School	212 Raymond George Way, Weatherford, 76086	Main Room
Grace First Presbyterian Church	606 Mockingbird Ln, Weatherford 76086	Great Hall
Parker County Elections Office	801 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford 76086	Main Room
Film Alley	825 E I-20, Weatherford 76086	Family Side Party Rm
Millsap Community Center	104 Fannin St, Millsap 76066	Building
Harmony Baptist Church	242 Harmony Rd, Weatherford 76087	Fellowship Hall
Tin Top Community Center	101 Old Tin Top Rd, Weatherford 76087	Building
Olive Branch Masonic Lodge #792	201 Grindstone Rd, Brock, 76087	
Baptist Church Dennis	7600 FM RD 1189, Dennis 76087	Old Fellowship Hall
Spring Creek Baptist Church	100 Spring Creek Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym
Greenwood Fire Department	1418 Greenwood Cut-Off Rd, Weatherford 76088	Training Room
Morningstar Amenity Center	128 Heather Wind Ln, Aledo 76008	Amenity center
Hudson Oaks Public Safety Bldg.	150 Oakridge Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Training Room
Cross Timbers Church - Willow Park	601 Ranch House Rd, Willow Park 76087	Welcome Center
Bear Creek Community Church	18600 Hwy 377, Cresson 76035	Building
City of Aledo Community Center	104 Robinson Ct, Aledo 76008	Large Room

Aledo ISD Admin Building	1008 Bailey Ranch Rd, Aledo 76008	Louden Room
New Faith Baptist	3303 West FM RD 5, Aledo 76008	Fellowship Hall
Lakeshore Drive Baptist Church	200 S Lakeshore Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Foyer

*Preliminary, subject to change. If any locations are changed, this will be reflected on the Parker County elections website <https://www.parkercountytexas.gov/118/Elections>.

EXHIBIT B

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, DATES AND HOURS

Early voting begins October 19, 2026 and ends on October 30, 2026.

Early Voting Clerk: Crickett Miller, P.O. Box 639, Weatherford, Texas 76086

Presiding Judges of the Early Voting Ballot Boards: to be determined by the Elections Administrator.

Voters entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may do so at any Early Voting site within the county of their residence.

Main Early Voting Location

Location (<i>Ubicación</i>)	Hours (<i>Horario</i>)
Parker County Election Office 801 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford, 76086	Monday, October 19, 2026 - Friday, October 23, 2026 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday, October 24, 2026 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Sunday, October 25, 2026 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday, October 26, 2026 - Friday, October 30, 2026 7:00 am – 7:00 pm

Branch Early Voting Locations

Location (<i>Ubicación</i>)	Hours (<i>Horario</i>)
Springtown Senior Center 1070 N Main St, Springtown, 76082	Monday, October 19, 2026 - Friday, October 23, 2026 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday, October 24, 2026 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Sunday, October 25, 2026 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday, October 26, 2026 - Friday, October 30, 2026 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
Peaster ISD Rock Gym 8512 FM RD 920, Peaster, 76088	
Aledo ISD Admin Building 1008 Bailey Ranch Rd, Aledo, 76008	
Hudson Oaks Public Safety Building 150 N Oakridge Dr, Hudson Oaks, 76087	
Azle City Hall 505 W Main St, Azle, 76020	
Olive Branch Masonic Lodge #792 201 Grindstone Rd, Brock, 76087	

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Early Voting by Mail

Applications for voting by mail must be received (not postmarked) no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Friday, October 23, 2026. Applications should be sent to:

Early Voting Clerk
Parker County Elections
P.O. Box 639, Weatherford, Texas 76086
phone: (817) 598-6185
fax: (817) 598-6183
email: elections@parkercountytexas.com

If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original application so that the early voting clerk receives the original no later than four days after receiving the emailed or faxed copy.

EXHIBIT C

VOTER INFORMATION DOCUMENT

City of Willow Park, Texas Proposition A:

☐ FOR	<u>City of Willow Park, Texas Proposition A</u> THIS IS A TAX INCREASE
☐ AGAINST	“The issuance of \$10,110,000 City of Willow Park, Texas, certificates of obligation for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, equipping, and improving waterworks and sewer system properties and facilities, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (ii) constructing, acquiring, maintaining, improving and equipping streets, roads, and intersections, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, entryways, pedestrian pathways, signage and traffic signalization, the relocation of utilities in connection therewith and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) designing, constructing, acquiring, improving, enlarging, and equipping the City’s municipal drainage utility system and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor; and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and the financing thereof; the imposition of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the certificates of obligation and a lien on and pledge of the surplus net revenues of the City’s Waterworks and Sewer System”

principal of debt obligations to be authorized	\$10,110,000
estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized presuming an interest rate of 4.75%	\$5,904,013
estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized amortized over 20 years	\$16,014,013
as of the date the election was ordered, principal of all outstanding debt obligations	\$64,610,000
as of the date the election was ordered, the estimated remaining interest on all outstanding debt obligations	\$25,534,941
as of the date the election was ordered, estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full all outstanding debt obligations	\$90,144,941
estimated maximum annual increase in the amount of taxes on a residence homestead with an appraised value of \$100,000 to repay the debt obligations to be authorized, if approved	\$0.00
This figure assumes (i) the proposed debt obligations will be issued in one series of obligations; (ii) the amortization of the City’s outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations of 27 years and 20 years, respectively; (iii) 1.20% average annual growth in the next five years in the future appraised values within the City; (iv) an assumed interest rate on the proposed debt obligations of 4.75%; and (v) tax collections at a rate of 98% annually.	

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above) and derived from projections obtained from the City's municipal advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the debt obligations are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City Council to issue debt obligations on behalf of the City in accordance with the Proposition set forth in the election ordinance.