TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS
ORDINANCE 2026-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2026 IN THE TOWN OF ARGYLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REAUTHORIZING A ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS WITHIN THE TOWN OF ARGYLE; DESIGNATING THE PLACE OF HOLDING SUCH ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Argyle, Texas is a Type A General Law Municipality located in Denton County, Texas, created in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, On May 12, 2007, an election was held in accordance with 327.005 of the Texas Tax Code, wherein the registered voters of Argyle, Texas, approved a proposition to impose a one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, On May 14, 2011, a reauthorization election was held in accordance with 327.007(b) of the Texas Tax Code, wherein the registered voters of Argyle, Texas, approved a proposition to continue the imposition of a one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, On May 9, 2015, a reauthorization election was held in accordance with 327.007(b) of the Texas Tax Code, wherein the registered voters of Argyle, Texas, approved a proposition to continue the imposition of a one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, On May 8, 2018, a reauthorization election was held in accordance with 327.007(b) of the Texas Tax Code, wherein the registered voters of Argyle, Texas, approved a proposition to continue the imposition of and to increase from one-fourth of one percent to one-half one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, On May 7, 2022, a reauthorization election was held in accordance with 327.007(b) of the Texas Tax Code, wherein the registered voters of Argyle, Texas, approved a proposition to continue the imposition of and to increase from one-fourth of one percent to one-half one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; and

WHEREAS, Section 327.007 of the Texas Tax Code provides that unless imposition of the sales and use tax is reauthorized by an election held in the same manner as the original

sales and use tax election, the tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date the tax originally took effect or the first day of the first calendar quarter occurring after the fourth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 321 of the Texas Tax Code, the combined rate of all local sales and use taxes imposed by the Town and other political subdivisions having territory in the Town will not exceed two (2) percent; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code, as amended by the 85th Texas Legislature, provides that except as otherwise provided for, each general or special election in this state shall be held on the first Saturday in May or the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; and

WHEREAS, the Council hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town to hold this special election on May 2, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF PREMISES. The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL ELECTION ORDERED.

The Town Council of the Town of Argyle hereby orders that a Special Election be held on May 2, 2026, being the first Saturday in May, for the purposes of reauthorizing the local sales and use tax in The Town of Argyle, Texas, at the rate of one-half of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

SECTION 3. BALLOT LANGUAGE.

The ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code so that voters may cast their ballots either **"FOR"** or **"AGAINST"** the following proposition which shall appear on the ballot in substantially the following form:

> "The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the Town of Argyle, Texas at the rate of one-half of one percent, to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized."
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> *"La reautorización de las ventas locales y el impuesto de uso en la ciudad de Argyle, Texas, a razón de la mitad del uno por ciento, para continuar*

proporcionando ingresos para el mantenimiento y la reparación de las calles municipales. El impuesto se vence en el cuarto aniversario de la fecha de esta elección a menos que la imposición del impuesto se volviera autorizar."

SECTION 4. PRECINCTS. The election precinct for said election shall be the regular precinct of Denton County (Precinct 4017) to the extent that they are within the corporate limits of the Town of Argyle.

SECTION 5. ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTION. The General Election shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The election will be conducted jointly with other political subdivisions in Denton County on May 2, 2026, pursuant to Chapters 31 and 271, Texas Election Code. The Town Administrator and Town Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute such election agreement for the election and on behalf of the Town, with approval of all expenses of the joint election as outlined in the election agreement. Town of Argyle will contract with Denton County for a joint election.

SECTION 6. EARLY VOTING CLERKS. (a) In accordance with Sections 31.097 and 271.006 of the Texas Election Code, the following named person is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk of the purposes of conducting said election:

Frank Phillips,
Early Voting Clerk
Denton County Elections
PO Box 1720
Denton, TX 76202
Email: elections@dentoncounty.gov

(b) Any permanent county employee serving under the Elections Administrator shall serve as deputy early voting clerks.

SECTION 7. EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS. Early voting by personal appearance shall be held jointly with other Denton County public entities at Denton County's Main Early Voting Site located in the Denton County Administration Building, 701 Kimberly Drive, Denton, Texas 76208 beginning on April 20, 2026, and continuing through April 28, 2026 at the dates and times set forth below *(unless changed by the Denton County Elections Administrator)*:

Denton County Administration Building
701 Kimberly Drive, Denton TX

Monday	April 20	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	April 21	(No voting due to State Holiday)
Wednesday – Saturday	April 22-April 25, 2026	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	April 26	11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Tuesday	April 27-April 28, 2026	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Additional early voting locations will be identified in the contract executed with the Denton County Elections Administrator

SECTION 8. ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACE AND ELECTION HOURS. The polling place for all of Precinct 4017 (Town of Argyle) within the corporate limits of the Town of Argyle will be located at a location determined by the Denton County Elections Administrator to be identified in the joint services agreement.

The polls for said election shall be open from 7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

SECTION 9. EARLY VOTING BY MAIL. The Denton County Elections Administrator is hereby appointed as Early Voting Clerk. Applications for a ballot by mail shall be delivered to the early voting clerk, no later than April 20, 2026, Frank Phillips, PO Box 1720, Denton, Texas 76202.

SECTION 10. ELECTION OFFICERS. The election officers for each polling place shall be appointed and compensated pursuant to the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with the Denton County Elections Administrator for said election on May 2, 2026.

SECTION 11. METHOD OF VOTING. Voting on the date of the Election and early voting shall be by the use of a lawfully approved voting system. The preparation of the voting equipment to be used in connection with such voting system and the official ballots for the Election shall conform to the Texas Election Code ("Code"), as amended. Said ballots shall have printed therein such provisions, markings, and language as may be required by law. The specific voting machines to be used shall be provided by Denton County in accordance with the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Elections Services with the Denton County Elections Administrator.

SECTION 12. NOTICE OF ELECTION. The Town Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish and/or post, in the time and manner prescribed by law, all notices required to be so published and/or posted in connection with the conduct of these elections.

SECTION 13. GOVERNING LAW. The elections shall be held as set forth by the Texas Election Code, and all resident registered voters of the Town shall be eligible to vote in said Elections. The Mayor and the Town Secretary of the Town, in consultation with the Town Attorney, are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and any other state or federal law in carrying out and conducting the elections, whether or not expressly authorized herein.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS ON THIS THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2026.

TOWN OF ARGYLE

By: _____
Ronald Schmidt
Mayor

ATTEST:

Erika McComis

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Town Secretary

ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR TOWN OF ARGYLE
ORDEN DE ELECCIONES ESPECIALES PARA LA CIUDAD DE ARGYLE

A special election is hereby ordered to be held on May 2, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following ballot proposition:
Por la presente, se ordena que se celebren unas elecciones especiales el día 2 de mayo de 2026 con el propósito de presentar a los votantes la siguiente propuesta de boleta:

"PROPOSITION / *"PROPUESTA*

The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the Town of Argyle at the rate of one-half of one percent (0.50%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized."

"La reautorización del impuesto local sobre ventas y uso en la Ciudad de Argyle a razón de la mitad del uno por ciento (0.50 %) a fin de continuar proporcionando ingresos para el mantenimiento y reparación de las calles municipales. El impuesto expira en el cuarto aniversario de la fecha de estas elecciones, a menos que se reautorice la imposición del impuesto".

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at places, times, and locations authorized and required by state law and the Election Officer and shall commence on Monday, April 20, 2026, and continue through Tuesday, April 28, 2026.
La votación anticipada presencial se llevará a cabo en los lugares, horas y ubicaciones autorizados y exigidos por la ley estatal y el Funcionario Electoral. Comenzará el lunes 20 de abril de 2026 y continuará hasta el martes 28 de abril de 2026.

Applications for a ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
Las solicitudes para una boleta de votación por correspondencia deben enviarse a:

Frank Phillips, Early Voting Clerk
PO Box 1720, Denton, TX 76202
Email: elections@dentoncounty.gov
940-349-3200

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 20, 2026. *Las solicitudes para una boleta de votación por correspondencia deben recibirse a más tardar durante la finalización del horario laboral del día 20 de Abril de 2026.*

Issued this the 20th day of January 2026.
Emitido el día 20 de enero de 2026.

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Signature of Mayor / Firma del Alcalde
Ronald Schmidt, Mayor / Alcalde

On behalf of Mayor Pro Tem Cynthia Hermann
Council Member Martin Brading
Council Member Casey Stewart
Council Member Gustave Svehla
Council Member Chad Boyd

This Order of Election is a part of Ordinance #2026-02 and therefore does not require signatures from each member of Town Council. Esta Orden de Elecciones es parte de la Ordenanza n.º 2026-02 y, por lo tanto, no requiere firmas de cada miembro del Concejo Municipal.