

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
JEFFERSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Jefferson County Emergency Services District No. 1 (“District”) was called for at 6:00 p.m. on November 13, 2025, at the District’s Administrative Office, located at 13550 River Oaks Blvd., Beaumont, Texas 77713, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law.

At approximately 6:00 p.m., the special meeting was called to order. The roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to wit:

John Johnson	President
Hoyt Simmons	Vice President
Robert Barnett	Secretary
Mark Zambardino	Treasurer
Wade Witt	Commissioner

All of said Board members were present, with the exception of Commissioner Witt, thus constituting a quorum. Also present at the meeting was Chris Gonzales, District Administrator; Robert Ring, District Administrative Assistant; Hubert Oxford IV of Benckenstein & Oxford, LLP, attorneys for the District; and, Simon Van Dyk and Justin Waggoner of Touchstone Services, the District’s sales tax election consultants.

Upon establishing that a quorum was present, the Board moved along to Special Meeting Agenda Item No. 3, which directed the Board to the Supplemental Meeting Agenda for Election-Related Items. Under Supplemental Agenda Item No. 1, the Board reviewed the official canvass report and election summary provided by the Jefferson County Clerk Election Division for the District’s November 4, 2025 election to adopt a local sales and use tax in the District at a rate not to exceed 1.5% in any location in the

District, which showed 227 votes FOR and 82 votes AGAINST (total of 309 votes cast).  
*See* Canvass Report and Election Summary attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

After reviewing and discussing the official election results, the Board moved along to Supplemental Agenda Item No. 2, at which time Vice President Simmons made a motion to adopt an Order Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the District's November 4, 2025 Local Sales and Use Tax Election. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Zambardino and unanimously approved by the Board members present. A copy of the Order Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the District's November 4, 2025 Local Sales Tax Election is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, which Mr. Oxford's office will forward to the Texas Comptroller's Office.

Being as there were no other matters to address under the Supplemental Meeting Agenda, the Board was directed to Special Meeting Agenda Item No. 4, at which time the members reviewed and discussed the proposed Order Repealing Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Telecommunication Services, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. Upon motion by Treasurer Zambardino and seconded by Vice President Simmons, the Board members present unanimously approved said Order. Mr. Oxford's office will forward a copy of the Repealing Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Telecommunication Services to the Texas Comptroller's Office.

Being as there were no other matters to come before the Board under Special Meeting Agenda Item No. 5, Vice President Simmons then announced his plan to resign from his Board position, thus that was the last Board meeting he would be attending.

Thereafter, upon motion by Secretary Barnett and seconded by Treasurer  
Zambardino, and with the unanimous consent of all the Board members present, the  
special meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:08 p.m.

  
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John Johnson, President

Date: 11-24-2025

ATTEST:

  
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Robert Barnett, Secretary

Date: 11/24/25